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THE ANNUALS.

THE SHIELD'S table is not very heavily laden this year with college annuals, the following being the entire representation: *Cornellian*, *Makio*, *Codex*, *Salmagundi*, *Oriflamme*, and *Syllabus*.

It is not wise to undertake any generalization upon the work of the class of '90, in light of the fact that we have but six volumes with their excellencies and defects to reason from, but it may be remarked that in originality of design as well as in their execution, this year's work is quite inferior when compared with the high standard set up last year. The *Makio* is an honorable exception to this stricture, and to the credit of its artist, Mr. Bennett, it must be said that in conception and execution his caricatures and odd fancies are up to the best efforts of any of the men who have devoted their talents to this work during recent years.

It is to be noted with pleasure that respectful treatment of professors has come into more general observance, and that for the most part the jokes poked at them are good humored. Compulsory chapel attendance, freshman verdancy, inadequate facilities for physical training, laziness and dullness of professors, and other time-tried topics are more or less skillfully handled.

In appearance, the *Cornellian* stands first with the *Makio* a good second, the latter excelling the former and all others, however, in sustained literary work and the artistic skill with which its original sketches are produced.

Good taste is offended here and there by trivialities like the following: Every man who knows anything at all about $\Phi K \Psi$ knows that we have three Alumni Associations and no more, live, energetic and helpful, but one annual has had the unwisdom, to use no harsher term, to assert in the

directory of the local chapter at the college where the annual was issued that we have seven, placing them in Chicago, New York, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Baltimore, leaving out one genuine chapter at Springfield, Ohio, to make room for five "might be's." A truce, I say, to that kind of folly! What possible good can be done any chapter to make such a false showing? What incalculable harm is done to the man who consents to so mislead!

The *Oriflamme*, from Franklin and Marshall, makes a very creditable appearance, the volume being very tastefully bound and plentifully provided with elegant steel engravings and phototypes. $\Phi K \Psi$ has two representatives on the staff of editors, which seems all the more significant because they are the only fraternity men so honored by their class.

Perhaps the brightest gibes are the following:

As opposed to the faker, there is another character whose entrance into institutions of learning also dates to the origin of the institutions themselves. This character is figuratively called the sucker—he is the joy, the pride and the hope of every well-regulated college. 'Tis passing strange that the sucker is obliged to speak a few words to the profs after recitation, whenever he recites, especially when he makes a "flunk." Of course, he should at least have 90 per cent. It is true the recitation was not very good, but the unexpressed idea of this model student and the previous knowledge of him are satisfactory reasons why he should have four score and ten. When this industrious youth spends his much needed vacation under the paternal roof, it is with confidence and gratification that he sees his father scan over the numerals. This youth who can get along in this way is a rising star and will make his mark—at least, at college.

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BANQUET OF THE ORIFLAMME STAFF OF '89.

MENU.

Bills on Half-Shell.

Consomme au Prentanier. Binders' Sauce.

Wright's Chow-Chow.

Deviled Steaks (Mistakes).

Fliesonus.

Green Eds., a la Business. Lengthiness de Poems.

Few Ads.

LIQUORS.

Printers' Ink. Binders' Gall.

FRUIT.

Bills. Bills. Bills.

Bills. Bills.

Salmagundi presents some interesting features in a forcible way and is a creditable production, though not up to the standard of former years.

A table of chapel attendance of the members of the faculty is one of the most striking matters published, and we presume from its imposing columns of daily attendance, it represents the actual facts. According to the figures only three members of the faculty at Madison University made any pretense of attending the exercises at which students are compelled to present themselves, for the entire winter term, and one of these was not regular in his attendance. Two members of this august body *were not present once* during the entire period, and the marks of attendance for the rest are exceedingly scarce, but two being credited with ten "presents" during all the period. Why should faculties wonder that college boys are disrespectful in their treatment of time-honored college customs when they offer such astonishing evidences of their inconsistencies?

The best contribution to the literary department of *Salmagundi* is this:

NEXT.

We were walking out this morning,
 Drinking in the breath of May,
 She with calm, sedate emotion,
 I with fancy blithe and gay.

Soon we came where crowds of builders
 Caught the quick observing eye,
 For a structure they were rearing,
 Grand, palatial, mountain-high.

There I paused in strong amazement,
 Fast my breath came. Could it be

That this palace, rising grandly,
 Was a firm reality?

"What means this?" at last I queried,
 For my thoughts seemed in a spell.

"Can it be a wizard palace
 Where the fairies' queen shall dwell?"

Then she answers, while the blushes
 O'er her face so gently roam,

And her eyes are speaking volumes:
 "'T is a College Widow's Home."

Syllabus is this year made a very valuable souvenir of Northwestern by the profusion of its engravings and phototypes, notably illustrating the characteristics of men, women and the material surroundings which make up this influential seat of learning. We are impressed most favorably by the illustration given of the board of editors. We have seldom seen a group of more thoughtful and forceful young people. We note with pleasure that out of fifteen professors in the College of Liberal Arts, three are Phi Psis, more than the number of representatives of any other fraternity of general distribution.

The original designs of *Salmagundi* are unusually poor, the other illustrations so excellent as to make the contrast with the former all the more painful. Perhaps the best of these is a clever burlesque of the familiar soap advertisement, wherein a babe is struggling from the confines of his bath tub after a cake of "Pear's." In this case the title is "Kirk contestant," a very clever *double entendre*, since one of the largest American rivals of the English maker is a Chicago firm, J. S. Kirk & Co.

Class Histories are usually dismal reading, but the writer of the contribution for the junior class of the Law Department has made a witty innovation with a prophecy which can not be well described and is too long to quote entire. Several satiric illustrations appear apropos of the lying of the catalogue about military band, gym., bath-room, study of the human form, etc. In the last great day I wonder what punishment will be considered adequate for the men who have concocted the colossal misrepresentations and falsifications which annually appear in "college catalogues?"

The inevitable doggerel operetta appears in *Syllabus* this year. The temptation was very great to criticise the annual appearance of these long, labored efforts, but one page was so bright that the dreariness of the whole was relieved and the gall dropped from the reviewer's pen.

A "Jolly Little Fem. Sem. Maid" thus speaks to the hero, Ananias Gush, who has just finished relating to the fair lady a shocking tale of college scrapes:

Please choke off your ancient chestnuts;
 College pranks so beastly old
 That I'll bet you'll find they're covered
 Forty inches deep with mold.
 Now, just listen, and be quiet
 While a tale I shall unfold,
 That is young and crisp and juicy,
 One you never have heard told.

CURFEW MUST NOT RING TO-NIGHT.

(Expurgated and Modernized Version.)

It was evening, sunset glimmered through the oaks of Evanston,
 And the callers at the Fem Sem were arriving one by one;
 Then the maidens coming downward on the stairway, flight by flight
 Struggled to keep back the murmur:
 'Curfew must not ring to-night!'

"Nellie," whispered they in chorus, pointing to the parlors cold,
 With its walls so dark and gloomy, walls so ugly and so old,
 "We have callers in that parlor, whom we fain would mash to-night;
 If the curfew rings so early, all our hopes are blasted quite."
 "Dean has gone unto a concert," "We will give you all that's right,"
 "Only *please* to just remember,
 'Curfew must not ring to-night!'"

"Girls," said Nellie, speaking slowly— every word came to their minds
 Like a zero-ten from Bobby, or like one of Baldy's grinds—
 "These three years I've swung that curfew up and down the Fem Sem halls,
 Every evening, before sunset, it has echoed from the walls,

And (unless I have inducements) I can't help you in your plight ;
If I did, the Dean would bounce me.
Girls, the curfew rings to-night."

Then the Fems held consultation and they raised ten shekels there,
But good Nellie would not listen to their blandishments so fair ;
So they formed a combination—stole the clapper from the bell,
Then went in to see the callers and told them about the sell ;
All were happy for three hours, and time passed with hurried flight ;
Although Nellie shook the handle,
Curfew did not ring that night.

Codex, from Beloit, is, a first venture and a very good one too. It has wisely kept pretty well in the beaten track, attempting no very venturesome work in a literary way. It has an interesting and well-written article on the rise and growth of Beloit, and a few short biographies of leading friends of the institution in and out of the faculty. We hope *Codex* may have a long and prosperous career.

Cornell is a great institution and its annual ought to take a leading place among publications of its character. *Cornellian*, for the past year, fulfills this requirement, and we look for its appearance each year with interest, feeling confident that it will be artistically elegant and crispy in its literary contents. Two especially clever cuts appear, one a burlesque on the sensational story of the New York *World*, of last January, anent the small-pox scare, and the other is a tail-piece in more senses than one, representing a tub of water in which a number of cats are floating heads downward, tails displayed in air, the latter in their agonized twistings making the name—Wilder—professor of Physiology, Comparative Anatomy and Zoölogy.

Here are two bright bits clipped from the literary miscellany :

APPLIED MATHEMATICS.

"My daughter," and his voice was stern ;
"You must set this matter right :
What time did that Sophomore leave the house
Who sent in his card last night ?"

"His work was pressing, father dear,
And his love for it is great.
He took his leave and went his way
Before a quarter of eight."

Then a twinkle came in her bright blue eye,
And her dimples deeper grew,
"Tis surely no sin to tell him that,
For a quarter of eight is *two*."

The Annuals.

A LITTLE SMILE.

(RONDEAU.)

A little smile can smooth the way
 Of Life's routine, but every day
 There comes some time that might be fair,
 And yet 'tis dulled with petty care.
 Ah, why not make such moments gay?

'T is easy, too, when skies are gray,
 To coax, like golden, gleamy ray
 Of sunshine in the dismal air,

A little smile."

So, if I feel annoyed to-day
 With fretful care—shall that dismay?
 Since I can all such ills repair
 Down town, where, with my chum to share,
 I think I'll take, without delay,

"A little smile."

It has been said that *Makio* is a great success, so far as illustrations, fine typography and good arrangement can make it so, but its literary work exceeds all these. If there were room for it enough might be quoted with profit to fill a dozen pages of *THE SHIELD*, but a brief clipping here and there must suffice. It is not too high praise to say that *Makio* of this year is the brightest and wittiest college annual published in the last four or five years. An excellent department of editorial squibs appear, of a serious character, giving with the true art of the paragrapher the salient occurrences of the year at Ohio State University.

The history of '90, by a young lady, is decidedly "chic" and deserves quotation entire. It is refreshing amid the annual deluge of dreariness in class histories to find here and there a bright bit to relieve the dullness. We note in the directory of conventions a blunder by which the next District Council of the Third District of $\Phi K \Psi$ is announced for April, 1890, instead of 1891. In this connection the large array of resident Phi Psi at Columbus suggests the query: Why hasn't $\Phi K \Psi$ a rousing alumni chapter there?

Makio, amid its jokes and gibes, always finds place for a bit of good sentiment, usually in verse. Witness the following:

THE FAREWELL.

I.

A summer in a lifetime—that was all;
 Two hearts bound in a dreamy, silken thrall;
 A breath of roses; moonlight dim and rare;
 A girl's fair hand, a head of golden hair.

II.

A summer filled with perfume, and the song
Of warbling birds that chirp the whole day long;
Blue eyes, red lips, low whispers faint and sweet—
Hush! now the summer lies there at your feet.

III.

How grand the murmuring sea upon that day;
Ah! now 't is but a barren waste of gray.
How blue the sky was — what an azure bright;
Now — now 't is dark and gloomy as the night.

IV.

Ah, well! we change as the years go by;
Oftimes a little thing — a smile, a-sigh —
Will round our whole life to a different use—
Will chain it faster, or will break it loose.

V.

And you and I have had our little day—
What matter if to one or both 't was play?
The day was long and glad, and ripe with mirth,
There are not many days like that on earth.

VI.

Yes, you are changed, and I am not the same;
And, as the sweet day dies in purple flame,
We say "Good-bye" with ling'ring lips and eyes—
Ah me! is life so filled with sad good-byes?

VII.

The twilight steals along with star and dew;
A spangled veil is drawn o'er heaven's blue.
The day is dead, now dead; we two must part;
How dark it grows! good-bye, good-bye, sweetheart.

Much of the wit of college annuals is so flavored that none but a local reader can appreciate its taste, but the following excerpt from the *Makio Almanac* or "The Extract of Brain," will repay an outsider to peruse, bearing in mind that the Department of Agriculture is a grand fraud, and that the former name of Ohio State University, Ohio Agricultural and Mechanical College, almost swamped it:

AN EXTRACTION IN AGRICULTURE.

"So, so, so boss, so bossy, now hist, *hist*, HIST, you mother of beefsteak, or I'll bang your hair." "Lads, I have just given you the jejune formula for lactic extraction—now repeat." (Class loudly). "Now while I am giving this calf a little more manilla you may feed your ponies on gum. But before we plow another

furrow, will some one tell me the name of our most lactiferous animal?" "A cow." "Yes, that's a bright boy. Now what is a cow?" Ans. "The cow gives milk." Prof. "So does the cream pitcher, my son; try again." Ans. "The cow has four legs." Prof. "Am I sitting on a cow?" Ans. "The cow has horns." Prof. "Is the bull a cow?" Ans. "The cow has red hair." Prof. "Is Johnny Cook a cow?" Ans. "The cow kicks." Prof. "Is Mr. Patchell a cow?" Ans. "The cow eats corn." Prof. "Are the Dorm students cows? No, my dumplings, you will first have to see a cow." "The Lab work for to-day will be as follows: "Scrub pig pen, 1 hr.; plow up Olentangy with reaper, 36 mins.; curry the red rooster, 45 mins.; read novels, 4 hrs.; sweep Kellicott's lawn, 1 hr.; hoe Prexy's potatoes, 2 hrs.; clean and wash my horse and buggy, 2 hrs. At night, go to the shows and raise Cain generally."

This little joke is not bad:

Prof. Kellicott and Pomerene.— Pom. "Darn it! Oh, excuse me, Professor." Prof. K. "Certainly; I sometimes swear horribly, too: I said *by the holy smut* yesterday."

Makio thus pays its respects to one of the faculty who aspires to being a 'cyclist:

PROF. LORD AND HIS SAFETY.

I.

Well mounted on his safety wheels,
He shoots along—a king he feels,
Until a stone he hits, and reels,
Then "d—n! —!! —!!!"

II.

He flies along like any bird,
With passing friend he says a word,
Then takes a fall, and soon is heard,
"Oh d—n! —!! —!!!"

III.

He tries to cross the muddy High,
Determination in his eye,
His wheel o'ertips, and then the cry,
"Oh d—n! —!! —!!!"

IV.

Come, festive Prof, amend your way,
Get married ere your hair turns gray,
And cease, oh Lord, please cease to say,
"D—n! —!! —!!!"

THE SHIELD regrets that the shortness of the material at hand precludes a more extended review of the annuals of the class of '90, and hopes to receive a fuller representation of these delightful publications for the college year which has just opened.

C. L. VAN CLEVE.

The Areopagus.

ILLINOIS BETA REDIVIVUS.

The recent gift of John D. Rockefeller of \$600,000 to the University of Chicago, to be supplemented by much more when the \$400,000 necessary to complete the first million shall have been raised, means much to the alumni of Illinois Beta. They have retained a form of organization in expectation of some such action, which now is far more generous than they even dared hope. The chapter was so much to them even while the university was in financial straits that they think fondly of what it can be now that it will probably be one of the wealthiest institutions in the country, and situated within the limits of the greatest city of the Northwest.

So much has already been decided, that the college shall be situated inside Chicago and not in one of its suburbs; that its grounds shall include at least ten acres, and that \$400,000 shall provide the grounds and buildings for the college department, which is first to be organized. All this means that the old university building, with its noble architecture and matchless location, will be used, and the old boys are already wondering what will become of the suite of five rooms on the third floor which the chapter occupied so long and so pleasantly.

The financial success of the new institution is already assured. Until June 1, 1890, is allowed for the raising of the \$400,000 necessary to secure the first \$600,000 from Mr. Rockefeller, and the organized work to that end is not to begin until next week. But for all that over \$100,000 has already been subscribed voluntarily, and other large sums are known to be only waiting to be called for.

The Phi Psi alumni of the old university are in no wise behind their brothers in their enthusiasm for the new institution, but many of them are already conditioning in their minds their subscriptions to the general fund, by the hope that before long they may have the privilege of subscribing for the institution of a revived Illinois Beta.

T. R. WEDDELL.

Chicago, Illinois, June 12, 1889.

CINCINNATI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

On Friday night, the 20th of September, the Cincinnati Alumni Association held its fourth meeting at the Hotel Emery, and it was a reunion of fraternal spirits long to be remembered.

In the beautiful parlors assigned us for the reception, were gathered many faces not heretofore seen at our meetings. Notable among the meetings of long parted friends was that of Judge M. L. Buchwalter and Rev. J. W. Peters. They were boys on adjoining farms, attending the same college at the same time; then their paths in life diverged, the one reaching the position of an honored judge in a populous city, the other that of a loved minister of a large and admiring congregation, and after many years at the shrine of Phi Kappa Psi they come together. Is it any wonder that such a meeting should fathom the depths of fraternal emotion?

At the dining table each member's place was assigned him by artistically executed cards bearing his name in gilt letters, a splendid representation of the badge, the name of his chapter, and the date of this most enjoyable occasion, all from the hand of Mrs. E. A. Daumont, ever contriving in some happy manner to show her appreciation and affection for the order. This beautiful tribute was later in the evening appropriately recognized by a vote of thanks to the kind lady.

In the arrangement and decoration of the table, as well as in the preparation of the good things that were spread before us, the host fairly outdid his former efforts.

The occasion was favored by the presence of Professor L. J. Boex, of St. Xavier's Church, one of the finest pianists in the city, who added to the enjoyment of the evening by his admirable rendition of a varied musical programme, including familiar college airs.

Our president will not have things all one way, so the courses were interspersed by reading of correspondence, toasting, discussing the coming banquet in December, etc.

Among the visiting members were W. H. Axtell, Indiana Alpha, attending Ohio Medical College; R. H. Van Deman, Ohio Alpha, attending Miami Medical College; George W. Whitney, Pennsylvania Iota, coming here with his bride to live in Cincinnati.

Rev. J. W. Simpson, in answering to the call of the president, took a broad view of the practical work of the Alumni Association, and the extended opportunities for exertion of good influences on society.

Rev. J. W. Peters, who had not met with the Phi Psi's since leaving college, soon found himself under the influence of a rekindling flame of

fraternal ties, and spoke with the enthusiasm of an active chapter member. He will attend all future meetings.

The address of the evening was delivered by Judge M. L. Buchwalter, who, though fully prepared, was led into the discussion of college and fraternity reminiscences by the remarks of Brother Peters, and thereby forgot all about his prepared address. The association is the gainer by the omission, for we have had the benefit of spontaneous expressions of beautiful sentiments, and the address we shall have at a future day.

Other interesting speeches were made by Dr. E. W. Mitchell, Prescott Smith, Willis M. Kemper, Dr. W. L. Mussey, R. H. Bishop, L. S. Colter, and E. M. Van Cleve.

Letters were read from A. D. Hosterman, Springfield; George Smart, Cleveland; Rev. D. I. Jones, Zanesville; C. L. Van Cleve, of THE SHIELD; C. R. Evans, Chattanooga, Tenn.; F. W. Roudebush, Batavia; Charles Bauer, Springfield; P. M. Pogue, University of Virginia; Rev. C. E. Hills, Troy; Rev. V. F. Brown, Dayton; A. E. Ehrenfeld, Springfield.

Governor J. B. Foraker sent a message that he would certainly attend the banquet in December.

Peyton Brown, Pennsylvania Zeta, now residing at Austin, Texas, stopping off between trains, saw the Phi Psi banquet announced on a placard in the hotel office, and left a message which demonstrated that even the borders of the Lone Star State have been invaded by the spirit of Phi Kappa Psi.

The arrangements for the banquet in December next, which the Cincinnati Alumni Association intend to make an occasion worthy of the name of Phi Psi, was a subject of discussion. All arrangements were placed in the hands of the officers of the association, together with a committee consisting of Dr. E. W. Mitchell, R. H. Bishop and Albert Bettinger. Upon this subject you will hear more from us hereafter.

The speechmaking of the evening was closed by the remarks of Vice-President J. M. DeCamp, who enjoys a special reputation as an after dinner talker. Two banquets in one week and two preceding nights of travel were not sufficient to deter him from attending this meeting. His sentiment was, that character, even in this endless strife for money, position, influence, power, was to be preferred over all these, and would endure when all have passed away. His closing tribute to character, as a lasting adornment of man, was a gem of eloquence.

The association has received very kind treatment at the hands of W. H. Eggleston, Esq., City Editor *Cincinnati Commercial Gazette*, in publishing a

full and flattering account of this banquet, as well as all other Phi Kappa Psi events that have occurred here.

Other members present were: Frank A. Roberts, Ohio Gamma; Edward M. Semans; Frank D. Morris, Ohio Gamma; Wade McMillan, Ohio Gamma; Secretary Everett, who delayed his departure for a vacation at Randolph, New York, to be present on this occasion; E. S. Aston and Brother Woodside.

Altogether, this gathering of the Cincinnati Alumni Association was the brightest, most enthusiastic, and intellectually the most profitable of all its predecessors. Too much can not be said in praise of the officers of the association, notably the president, for their energetic, thoughtful, and self-sacrificing efforts in arranging these pleasant meetings for us.

And now, Mr. Editor, if this letter is too long I don't know what you are going to do about it. Do you?

ALBERT BETTINGER.

Cincinnati, September 24, 1889.

SONNET TO A PHI KAPPA PSI BADGE.

Before I knew your mysteries, I thought
 One day upon their meaning; and strange, too,
 Were my conjectures, and partly true.
 Thy shielded form, I said, is deeply fraught
 With significance. Perchance some student-knight
 A journey once did make where fame is sought;
 The Phi, the Kappa and the Psi, for ought
 I know, are keys to open up the Right;
 The two stars are the double aims in life,
 Self and fraternity; the single eye
 The sight of all brothered in Phi Kappa Psi
 Who watch and aid one in this world of strife;
 The book, the wisdom of thy goodly band;
 The lamp, a symbol of thy mission grand.

JACKSON BOYD.

Editorial.

THIS, the first issue of Vol. X, is two weeks behind the date at which it should have appeared for several reasons, which we presume the fraternity ought to know. The meeting of the Executive Council, under whose authority THE SHIELD is published, was delayed for unavoidable reasons until September 18th, 19th and 20th, and the Editor deemed it necessary to defer the publication until the session of council might determine some questions of which he was in doubt. Again, we delayed going to press in the hope that chapter letters might come in abundance, but were compelled to forego our wishes. Last, but not least in influence, is the fact that the Editor has been seriously indisposed during several months past, and the heavy labors incident to an early issue were thought by those with whom he consulted, inexpedient.

It will be necessary for chapter correspondents to write their letters for the October issue immediately upon receipt of this number, and it may not be out of place to remind brothers that good chapter letters are not necessarily verbose, and that editing a chapter letter means rewriting it, a feat practically impossible to any one not conversant with the materials from which the communication is made up.

May we not have prompt answers to this appeal, at least from the chapters unrepresented in this issue?

WE regret that the imp of the perverse who sometimes invades the sacred sanctum of the Editor of *THE SHIELD*, has stolen, mislaid or destroyed a fine newspaper clipping descriptive of the banquet of the Springfield Alumni Association last June. We feel it impossible at this late date to write from memory a proper account, for we were there and enjoyed the occasion thoroughly, in fact we never attended a banquet or reception which equalled it in brilliancy of assemblage or perfection of detail necessary to make the evening stand out in recollection apart from other joyous scenes and pleasant experiences.

We feel an especial interest in this association, for we make up an integral part thereof, and we note with pride, though not without some qualms of jealousy, that Cincinnati Phi Psis boom, likewise those of Chicago; and we fear that the boast of the former that a banquet will be given in December by the Queen City boys, before which all other festive gatherings of $\phi \kappa \psi$ shall pale into insignificance, is founded in a reasonable belief that it will be done.

THE Executive Council at its recent meeting took important steps toward the extension of $\phi \kappa \psi$ in several directions. $\phi \kappa \psi$ has been so conservative in the past that opportunities for adding strong chapters in several first-class institutions were forever lost. We are well established in many of the best institutions of the Union, but we are living in a country of rapid and enormous growth, where educational institutions spring into adulthood like Minerva, and to keep pace with this development $\phi \kappa \psi$ must extend her borders.

We are inclined to think it unwise in the light of the information we have acquired during the last few months, to establish chapters in Eastern colleges except in the

manner in which New York *E* was added to our roll, but the South, the West and the Northwest invite us to conquest.

THE Council, for the first time in its history, was all assembled, and never were the interests of $\phi K \psi$ more thoroughly or intelligently considered.

At the proper time the most pressing matters there discussed will be laid before the fraternity and the opinions of the membership invited as to the wisdom of their suggestions.

We cordially urge chapter correspondents and other brothers to discuss these subjects in the pages of THE SHIELD.

SINCE the publication of $\Delta K E$ *Quarterly's* celebrated article on $\phi B K$ of some three years ago, no communication to a fraternity journal has been so extensively quoted or so heartily received as that from our distinguished predecessor on "Favorite Societies" in THE SHIELD for December, 1888.

$\Delta K E$ *Quarterly* for May, 1889, reviews Mr. Little in five pages of as helpless special pleading as we have ever read. There was a time when we were glad to quote freely from the *Quarterly* as the most representative journal of Greek-letter societies extant, but this erstwhile powerful organ has fallen from its high estate, and the contrast between the vigor of former volumes and the emptiness of Vol. VII is pitiful. The *Quarterly* has ever assumed a patronizing air toward THE SHIELD because of its monthly issue urging the greater elevation of tone of a quarterly and the value of time as a factor in securing the arrangement and systematizing of matter for publication. Argument is not necessary when we know that $\Delta K E$'s jour-

nal appeared but twice last year—a new kind of quarterly, that—and comprised the sum total of 166 pages, twenty-seven of which are made up of a list of names for the catalogue, entitled, “Information Wanted,” eight more are given to the enumeration of new initiates, and a generous share of the small remnant is devoted to well padded poems sixteen lines to the page and wide margins at the close of the very scarce articles.

We have no disposition to rail at *ΔKE* for the collapse of her vaunted *Quarterly*, but we must protest against its top-loftical assumption of superiority in light of these stubborn facts. Verily, “the leaders lead,” as a boastful *ΨΥ* remarked some years ago!

The Editor of the *ΔKE Quarterly* would fain have us believe, by the praise he bestows upon Brother Little and *THE SHIELD* in the article in question, that he is doing “the magnanimous” in the most approved “God-bless-me-children” style, but no one who has read both articles can help seeing that *ΔKE* has been hard hit.

The review of Brother Little’s review halts most painfully, as witness this attempt to weaken the force of strictures made in the article, *Favorite Societies* :

“It is needless to say that Mr. Little resides in the ‘Valley of the Mississippi;’ it would be superfluous to explain how shocked he is at Mr. Porter’s suggestion as to *A Δ Φ*, *ΨΥ*, and *ΔKE*.

‘While certain smaller fraternities are favorites in certain parts of the country, all barriers are rapidly disappearing before these favorite societies in their march toward representation at all the important colleges of the country.’

Which statement Mr. Little brands as “incorrect in fact and unfair in inference,” in the opinion of many thou-

sands of students and graduates ("of the Valley of the Mississippi?")

Will *JKE's* reviewer challenge the correctness of Brother Little's criticism? Does he consider the ill-natured sneer at the close of the quotation a sufficient answer?

The *Quarterly* (semi-annual) goes into the assertion line itself as follows: "Inasmuch as almost universally from Greeks, Eastern and Western, have come voluntary testimonials to the fairness and catholic spirit of his article, we feel it unpleasant that he should be misunderstood in 'the Valley of the Mississippi.'"

How far the reviewer must have searched for his "almost universal" indorsement! As far as to the members of the three "leaders" perhaps, with chapters in several colleges that $\phi K \psi$ would not enter upon any terms.

We might quote with profit to the reviewer of the *Quarterly* the substance of a letter we received from the editors of the *Century* declining to publish any criticisms of Mr. Porter's article, because that journal had been so deluged with protests, that in justice to all, none could be inserted.

The *Quarterly* undertakes the puerile argument of showing that there are no more than twenty-five leading institutions in the United States, and we presume from the assertions of Mr. Porter and his defender, that "the favorites" are either in all of these or are "marching" thitherward.

What thunderous onward movements *A Δ φ* and *ψ γ* have made since they both ceased to publish any journal to show that they were alive! At its present rate *JKE* and its *Quarterly* will execute a like progression.

Perhaps the most ungenerous sneer of all in the five

pages largely devoted to that sort of argument, is the suggestion that Mr. Little's State Universities, "born to the purple," are no better than high schools. The reviewer rolls the sweet polysyllable, "porphyrogenites," under his tongue and no doubt feels that he has annihilated the poor unfortunates who have not had the honor to receive a degree from the immortal twenty-five. Will the champion of the "favorites" please enumerate a few high schools which are of equal rank with the Universities of Wisconsin, Kansas and Minnesota?

A truce to all this triviality about "leading institutions." What is the test to be fairly applied to any college, great or small? Simply this, what kind of men does it turn out?

The *Quarterly* drops its lofty claims of superiority long enough to say: "In fraternity journalism, an important though secondary (*sic*) field of fraternity activity, we are glad to say that in enterprise, the Western fraternities, generally speaking, surpass, and in other good qualities, as a whole, equal the Eastern fraternities; and that ϕ κ ψ 's SHIELD has continued to deserve the compliment which Mr. Little quotes from the *Quarterly*."

When will we hear the end of this everlasting arrogance of so-called Eastern-fraternity men? If the membership of the "favorite" and other so-called Eastern societies know what a fraternity organization is for, if the vaunted "Greek spirit" of which the *Quarterly* loftily discoursed some years since, has aroused a spark of life in the hearts of those who worship at the shrine of brotherhood east of the Alleghenies, may we not suggest with propriety that the energies of the *Quarterly* and its able editor be devoted to obliterating the foolishness of this North, East, South and West, of which we hear too much now in the organs of political parties, and which we ought not to be compelled

to confront in the pages of the journals of societies devoted to the lofty principles of universal brotherhood ?

Brother Smart writes from Cleveland, Ohio, whither he has removed, that the catalogue is completed at last, but that the publication is held from the binders long enough to have the names of initiates and corrections to the latest date inserted in the addenda.

The corrections and additions must be sent in at once!

Sending packages of THE SHIELD at the beginning of a volume is always hazardous. We have known packages to wander two months without reaching their destination, because of a failure of the chapter to notify the editor of changed addresses.

The chapters ought to have a permanent address, either a post-office box in smaller places, or a street number in cities.



Chapter Letters.

ALLEGHENY.

A feeling of loneliness steals over the heart of your correspondent as, surrounded by the unusual air of desertion pervading the Phi Psi house, he reflects upon the present scattered condition of Pennsylvania Beta. However, the summer vacation is almost ended, and ere this letter shall have reached the press our absent brothers will again have clasped hands in cordial greeting and renewed those imperishable relations of fellowship so dear to every fraternity man.

Pennsylvania Beta has experienced a period of conspicuous and substantial success. Only we, who have seen the chapter's equipment changed from a single scantily furnished hall to the comfortable, handsome, well-furnished house which we now occupy, can appreciate what Penn. Beta has accomplished in the way of progress.

Beginning the fall term with a membership of ten men, we closed with a membership of eighteen. We are proud to report that throughout the college year, Phi Psi at Allegheny maintained that standard of scholarship and successful competition in the distribution of college honors which has become the particular boast of our chapter.

The Annual Declamation Prize of Allegheny Society fell into the hands of Bro. Frank Bray, Bro. Clarence Miller, '90, won the Annual Oration Contest, and Bro. Will Youngson, '91, captured the Thompson Essay Prize.

Bro. Harry Barrett, '90, represented Penn. Beta as editor-in-chief of the *Kaldron*, and Brother Bray was elected editor-in-chief of the *Campus*.

The Allegheny Glee and Guitar Club (all Phi Psis) won an enviable reputation for the fraternity, and proved an endless source of amusement to the chapter. Receptions, parties, and *musicales* throughout the year served to vary the routine of college work, and secured many friends for the boys in the college and city.

The parlors of our chapter house were tested to their fullest capacity to accommodate our Phi Psi guests at the annual symposium held commencement week. Bro. F. M. Gregg, '57, founder of Penn. Beta, presided as symposiarch. Space will only permit a mere mention of the royal good time enjoyed by all.

We lose by graduation Brothers Silliman, Laffer, and Cattern. Brother Silliman has entered the city corps of engineers of Chicago. Brother Laffer has commenced the drug business in the city, preparatory to a course in medicine.

We are sorry to announce the loss of Bro. Frank Bray, who leaves us this year to enter the senior class of Wesleyan, Middletown, Conn.

The outlook for the college is promising. Although by the late resignation of President Williams, we are numbered among the colleges who have no presidents, yet we believe the standard of the institution will be ably upheld by our popular and scholarly acting president, D. H. Wheeler, D. D., LL. D. The faculty has been strengthened by the addition of F. M. Truman, Ph. D., of Johns Hopkins University, who will occupy the chair of Latin and Greek, and Professor Thomas, of Berlin University, who will act as Professor of Modern Languages.

With an initial membership of ten active brothers, and the promise of a large increase in attendance, we confidently predict for Pennsylvania Beta a degree of success and prosperity commensurate with that of the past year.

FRANK A. CATTERN.

Meadville, Penn., September 7, 1889.

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

As school has not yet opened, and I know Penn. Gamma wishes to be represented in *THE SHIELD* every month, I will take it upon myself to act as her representative, though I have gone out of her active membership. The year just passed has been on the whole quite successful, and though we did have some few internal dissensions, we were in as perfect harmony when the year closed as we could be.

We closed the year with sixteen men, seven of whom will not return, and of these five have graduated. Brother Abraham will enter Columbia College Law School. Brother Finn expects to spend this year at home and will then probably become an electrician. Brother Gretzinger enters upon his duties as business agent of his alma mater, and has already promised us a much larger attendance this year than ever before. Brother Walker will enter Crozer Theological Seminary this fall for a three years' course, and your humble servant expects to spend a year or two at Cornell University in the electrical course. Bro. Norman Morris, of '91, who does not return will teach school, and Bro. Fred. Love, or '92, expects to enter the sophomore class at Rochester University. All the rest of the boys will probably be back ready to uphold old Gamma next year.

Two of the most prominent of the prizes given at commencement were secured by members of our chapter. The Chaplain J. J. Kane Prize of a gold watch for the best commencement oration, was awarded to Brother Gretzinger, and the F. K. Fowler Prize for the best junior oration to Bro. Harry Haslam.

There have been many changes in our school since last fall. We will miss Dr. J. H. Hyslop, our instructor in psychology, but his place will be more than filled by Dr. J. H. Harris, our new president, who, by the way, is a Sigma Chi, and a man of whom the Sigs may well feel proud.

We are to have two new buildings before next commencement. The Tustin Gymnasium, which is being erected by the alumni in honor of our late

brother, Dr. F. W. Tustin, late Professor of Greek at Bucknell, and a new chemical and physical laboratory to be erected by our kind benefactor, Mr. William Bucknell.

Our symposium last commencement was one of the finest we ever had. There were forty-two at the table, and a dozen more in town who for various reasons could not come, and yet the correspondents for the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ and Σ Quarterlies seem to think that $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ is not prospering at Bucknell. Of course we have not so many men as $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, but we don't want so many in a small college like this, where very good material is not plentiful, nor do we want to be so diminutive as ΣX , who I am sorry to say will not have more than two men to start with in the fall, and one of them a prep. The ΣX *Quarterly* blames this upon the scarcity of material, and says they could have had plenty more, but did not want them. However, it seems that they tried hard enough to get some of the men Gamma secured. I wish them success, and would be very sorry indeed to see the chapter die, but I fear that will be the result if they don't secure some good men this year who will stay.

JOE M. WOLF.

Lewisburg, Penn., September 6, 1889.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

In accordance with the request made by Brother Illingworth, one no longer an active member of Pennsylvania Zeta, chronicles the events of fraternity life at Dickinson during the past month. The chapter in the eyes of an alumnus is the best chapter at Dickinson, the only chapter of any other fraternity disputing her supremacy being that of the $\Theta \Delta X$'s. I might say that the $\Theta \Delta X$ s regard us in the same light as we regard them. But my duty is chiefly to chronicle the events of commencement week and the relations $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ bears to them.

Sunday of commencement week was devoted to the preaching of the Baccalaureate sermon by the new president, Dr. George E. Reed, and to the preaching of a very able sermon before the Young Men's Christian Association by Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, of the M. E. Church. Bosler Hall at each time was crowded to its utmost capacity. President Reed created a most favorable impression upon those who now heard him for the first time. On Monday at 8 P. M. occurred the junior oratorical contest for the Pierson prize medals,—one of gold, the other of silver. $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ was unfortunate in not being represented in this contest. The prizes were captured by a $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and $B \Theta \Pi$ respectively. On Tuesday morning and afternoon occurred the class-day exercises of the graduating class. $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ was represented on the programme by her two graduating members, Brothers Morris and Black. On Tuesday evening Dr. Reed delivered his inaugural address. Gen. Clinton B. Fisk was chairman of the occasion, and before Dr. Reed began to speak he introduced Governor Beaver, who made a neat speech, in which he eulogized Dickinson and Dr. Reed. Governor Beaver with his whole staff was present on the stage. Dr. Reed then began his inaugural address, at the end of which every one in Bosler Hall was

compelled to conclude that the trustees have chosen the right man for the presidency of Dickinson College.

During Governor Beaver's and President Reed's addresses great enthusiasm prevailed; cheers frequently went up for Reed and Dickinson, and handkerchiefs were waved. Immediately after the closing of these exercises the trustees and faculty tendered President Reed a reception in the Tome Scientific Building. The building was elegantly draped with flags, and evergreens and flowers showed off the beautiful architecture to advantage. Six special trains were run over the Cumberland Valley R. R. for this reception, On Wednesday morning at 9:30 A. M., Hon. Stuart L. Woodford, of Brooklyn, and Ex-Governor of New York, delivered the oration before the Φ B K and united literary societies of the college. At a previous meeting of Φ B K, Brothers Morris and Black, the only Φ K Ψ s, who are members of the graduating class, were taken into this society. Every year, since the founding of this society at Dickinson, has Φ K Ψ had some graduating member made a wearer of the key, and some years was the only fraternity to graduate a Φ B K.

During Wednesday occurred the meetings of the Board of Trustees. At these meetings provisions were made for new professorships, viz.: Of Political Science and History, of Oratory, of the Bible, and of Hygiene and Physical Culture; provision was also made for a department in Civil, Mechanical, and Electrical Engineering. It was also announced that some friend had guaranteed \$20,000 towards an \$100,000 endowment, if the \$100,000 were forthcoming by October 1st.

Late on Wednesday afternoon occurred the meeting of the Alumni Association, at which Gen. Horatio C. King, of New York City, presided.

At 8 P. M., Wednesday, Dr. Charles F. Deems, D. D., LL.D., of the class of '39, delivered the alumni oration.

On Thursday morning, directly after chapel, the prize winners of the year were announced, and the class-standing read out. Here it was that Φ K Ψ came out on top. Brother Black, of the out-going class, stood at the head of his class and received the Patton prize of \$25. Brother Black has taken the prize for scholarship all through his course. Brother Morris, of the same class, came in for fourth honor. Of the class of '90, Brother Pearce led the Latin scientific section. Of the class of '91, Brother Mills took second honor in the classical section, taking a prize of \$25. Brother Gifford led the modern language section of this class, and Brother Sudler the Latin scientific section. Brother Eveland, of the class of '92, stood at the top of his class, taking one of the McDaniel prizes of \$100. Brother Illingworth, of the class of '91, took the Belles Lettres gold medal for oratory. Φ K Ψ has also two editors out of six on the *Dickinsonian*, the college paper,—Brothers Illingworth, of '91, and Eveland of '92.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the D. C. A. A., Brother Boyer, '91, was elected Secretary and Manager of the foot-ball team for the season of '89.

After the announcement of the prize winners for '89, the audience proceeded to Bosler Hall to listen to the commencement exercises proper. Brothers Morris and Black both delivered speeches, Brother Morris the classical

oration and Brother Black the valedictory, and with the benediction pronounced immediately after the valedictory, the 106th commencement of Dickinson College was at an end. In the evening occurred President Reed's levee. During the week Dr. Reed received the degree of LLD. from La Fayette College.

But I see I have passed over the most delightful event of commencement week, at least most delightful to $\Phi K \Psi$ s. Pa. Zeta had a symposium.

On Tuesday, June 25th, at 11 P. M., after meeting at $\Phi K \Psi$ chapter hall, twenty-nine joll $\Phi K \Psi$ s proceeded in a body to Sipe's restaurant, where a sumptuous banquet awaited them in honor of the thirtieth anniversary of the founding of Pa. Zeta of $\Phi K \Psi$. The symposiarch of the occasion was our honored ex-judge of Cumberland County, M. C. Herman, of the class of '62, and a right royal symposiarch he made.

Brother Black, of the class of '89, delivered the address of welcome. The banquet came next in order, to which the brothers did ample justice. After the banquet came that part of the symposium to which $\Phi K \Psi$ s always look back with pleasure. The first toast in order was that by Bro. J. Y. Dobbins, class of '75, and pastor of State-street Church, Trenton, N. J. He responded to the toast "Phi Psis in Active Life." His words of love and respect for the brothers who had taken upon themselves the work of this world, and for the fraternity generally, showed forth the true $\Phi \Psi$ in all his zeal. We might say here that Brother Dobbins received the degree of D. D. from his alma mater on Thursday of commencement week. I am sure that it could have been bestowed upon no more worthy alumnus.

The next toast was, "Pa. Zeta in Early Years," and was responded to by Bro. D. W. McCurdy, of the class of '62. His reminiscences of Zeta's infancy enthused and interested all present. W. D. Boyer, class of '88, responded to the toast, "The Girls we Love." "Our Lambs" was responded to by Bro. S. C. Boyer, of the class of '91. "THE SHIELD" was toasted by Bro. E. S. Gifford, of the class of '91. He set forth the good work done by THE SHIELD during the past year, and advised every alumnus to subscribe for it.

Next in order came the chronicle by Bro. Geo. E. Mills, of the class of '91. He showed that Pa. Zeta has done good work during the year, and that she is in excellent condition to battle with the future.

Promiscuous toasts were now called, principal among the responders were Brother Clarke, the sainted Asbury, of the class of '63. He resides at Wheeling, W. Va., and has frequently met Judge Moore, one of the founders of our fraternity, who, he says, is now leading an agricultural life, resting on his laurels. Brother Clarke is a member of the class of '63, which was graduated in five minutes in the college chapel in order to make way for the on-coming rebels.

Bro. J. L. Shelley, of the class of '71, had some $\Phi \Psi$ stories to relate.

Brothers Gross and Morgan, of the class of '78, regaled us with stories of college frolics in which they had played a prominent part. After several other toasts one of the best symposiums in the history of Pa. Zeta of $\Phi K \Psi$ was at an end. The brothers present were: D. W. McCurdy and M. C. Herman, class of '62; Asbury Clarke, class of '63; J. L. Shelley, class of '71; J. H.

Shopp, class of '72; J. Y. Dobbins, class of '75; J. H. Morgan and T. F. Gross, class of '78; J. Strite, class of '84; T. E. Vale and M. E. Vale, class of '87; C. W. D. Ashley, A. D. Meloy and W. D. Boyer, class of '88; W. W. Wharton, W. F. Holler, G. Stubbs, G. V. D. Morris and C. W. M. Black, class of '89; W. Pearce, class of '90; R. W. Illingworth, G. E. Mills, W. P. String, E. S. Gifford, F. Sudler, and S. C. Boyer, class of '91; C. Greer, P. Eveland, and J. Price, class of '92.

During the symposium a telegram was received from Bro. Peyton Brown, of Austin, Texas, class of '82, which read as follows: "Though not with you in the flesh, am with you in the spirit. Drink with me to Texas Alpha."

Later in the week we had with us Brother Leakin, of the class of '85, and now of New York City.

WM. D. BOYER.

Port Clinton, Pa.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

Pennsylvania Eta commences anew the chronicles of her prosperity, and congratulates all $\Phi \Psi$ s on the advent of another year with such brilliant prospects. We have had our fall opening, and into it has dropped C. H. Murry, '93. Elevated by his fall to the proud position of a $\Phi \kappa \Psi$, he and his mustache are alike developing to the wonder of the barbs. This is our year of increasing $\Phi \Psi$ progression. We lose no men, for Brothers Apple and Bauman have entered the theological seminary. Brothers Keller, '86, and Rupley, '88, also enter with them. Thus we now have five embryonic of clergy and nine full-fledged of laity. With a new spiral spring goat we expect to make further inroads on the world of barbs.

From past experience it has been deemed best to issue a circular letter to our alumni as soon after the commencement of the scholastic year as possible. The vigor and enthusiasm engendered by the success of the new year can be more forcibly portrayed and therefore more keenly appreciated by our elder brothers.

College athletics have received a boom, and the merit of our brothers will place the majority of $\Phi \Psi$'s in prominent positions on the base ball and foot ball teams. Brother Bauman has been elected manager and treasurer of the association, while Brother Apple, '89, retires from the presidency of the same.

We have been having vigorous, whole-souled meetings. This fact is maintained by the interest our alumni manifest. Four or five are present with us every meeting, and their consideration for the weal of Eta is one with ours. The M. A. born with the chapter wields her ever-renewing power, and from her nightly return scintillate gems of wit, poetry and earnest thought.

Stirred by the appeal which comes to us from Texas, we have earnestly discussed the matter of fraternity extension. Our fraternity, from one of the first, should become the first. This can not be done by limiting the field for the induction of our principles. Extension should be made south and west and into the widely-known colleges of the East. This we believe without departing from our time-honored conservatism one iota.

With sorrow we have seen our President, Dr. Thomas G. Apple, retire. His duties have been two-fold, and the attention required by the college and the seminary were too weighty. Dr. John S. Staler succeeds him.

All of our brothers are now back, and the glowing accounts they give of the pleasant meetings they had with $\Phi \Psi$ brothers—and sisters—show that they realize that they belong to a *fraternity* and not to a *chapter*. We hope to meet many brothers this year and we assure all $\Phi \Psi$ s that Mother Eta stands ready to welcome one and all.

WALTER ALLAN REINOEHL.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania, September 18, 1889.

CORNELL.

Once more have we started in on a new collegiate year, and it promises to be a most successful one to your brothers in Phi Psi at Cornell. We have nearly all of our old men back with us, and in addition Brothers Wolf and Finn from Bucknell, who are taking a graduate course in electrical engineering, and Brother Ball from the Syracuse chapter, who is taking undergraduate work. Brother Hodder, whom we thought we had lost to the gain of our western brothers, remains at Cornell, having a full professorship in Political Economy, succeeding Professor Andrews. Brother Ryan, who acted as instructor last year, holds a professorship in Physics this year, and Brother Merritt, a fellow last year, succeeds to the vacant instructorship.

Brother Ludlow, '89, is making us a short visit, and is doing good work at his favorite work—rushing freshmen.

The college campus is being partly improved by new buildings. The new library and chemical buildings are both nicely under way, and in about a year will be completed. A new athletic field is being fitted up and other improvements will soon be made. The freshman class will number nearly 500.

Brother Bean, of Geneva, an alumnus of Hobart, made us a brief call during vacation.

E. H. HULBERT.

Ithaca, N. Y., September 24, 1889.

SYRACUSE.

New York Beta begins the year with good prospects. The correspondence of the University indicates a very large entering class.

Our buildings have been undergoing thorough repairs. The Von Ranke Library Building, which was dedicated in June, is now ready for use. New physical and chemical laboratories have been fitted up, and the campus has been extensively graded under the supervision of a competent landscape gardener.

The John Crouse Memorial College, which was to be dedicated during commencement week, was postponed on account of the death of the donor, and will be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on September 18th, the day before college opens.

Brother Wright, '83, having graduated in civil engineering, returns to pursue his course in architecture. We will be pleased to number him again with our seniors. Brothers Mirteenes, '90, and Barnard, '91, will be missed, as they do not return to college this year, but will engage in teaching. Also, Brother Ball, '92, will not return, but will pursue his studies at Cornell, taking the course in letters, entering as a sophomore. Brother Chester, '92, expects to enter his father's bank at Schenerus for the coming year. The rest of the chapter members return, making twelve strong men for a good working force with which to be ready for business at the opening of the fall term.

At the sophomore reception and banquet to the freshmen, Brother Shepard, '92, acts as toastmaster, and Brother Stevens, '92, delivers a toast. This event is one of the initiatory steps to college life to the new-comers, and is an enjoyable occurrence of especial interest to the underclassmen.

The past year has been a prosperous one for New York Beta, and with the present outlook $\Phi \Psi$ is sure of success.

FRANK S. HUSTED.

LeRoy, New York, September 6, 1889.

MADISON UNIVERSITY.

One week of the new college year has past, and the bustle which always attends the first few days is already subsiding. Everything points towards a prosperous year for the college. The freshman class is the largest that has entered for several years. The other classes have preserved nearly all their old members, so that altogether the college contains twenty-five more men than last year.

Out of a class of fifty men it is no great task for five fraternities to secure all the re-enforcements they want. Thirteen of our old men returned. We have enough men already pledged to fill the places made vacant by graduation and by failure to return.

It is not time yet to introduce our new men, but in due season it shall be done. The campaign is not over yet, so there is still time for us to gain recruits.

The old customs of Madison are gradually dying away. The cane rush is a thing of the past. A rush in the hall, after chapel, is all the two under classes have undertaken this year. Prexie was on hand with his time-honored umbrella and the rush died in its incipiency.

In the departure of Professor Harkness to Brown University, Madison loses one of her most popular professors. Professor Colegrove, formerly of Marion Collegiate Institute, is the new Professor of Latin.

This is a short letter, but I will do better next time.

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, N. Y., Sept. 19, 1889.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

On Wednesday, September 18, the Ohio Wesleyan University enters upon her forty-fifth year of existence. History has dealt kindly with her, as her list of fourteen hundred honored graduates testifies. With such a record it is no task to outline what may be before; for he is a prophet who foretells effects of past causes or present.

Those who have the best means for knowing say that there will be a round thousand students enrolled this fall. This is encouraging, though it brings into unwelcome relief the fact that a faculty, so small in numbers as is ours, is insufficient to meet such exigent needs. There is some comfort in the fact that the corps of teachers is to a certain degree enlarged this fall. In the department of languages Mr. W. G. Honnell, of last year's class, is employed as tutor. Miss Grace Stanley, B. A., '85, becomes one of the resident teachers at Monnett Hall. But the crowning glory among these new acquisitions, and the chiefest among our intellectual "ten thousand," is James W. Bashford, Ph. D., newly installed President of the University. Dr. Bashford is a native of Wisconsin, whose State University at Madison he claims as his *alma mater*. After graduation there he completed the prescribed courses in the Theological Department and the School of all Sciences in Boston University, obtaining therefrom the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. A three years' pastorate at Portland, Me., followed, and he was then transferred to Delaware Avenue M. E. Church, Buffalo. This church he has served for two years, and he leaves it to assume his executive duties here. Though but forty years of age—a clean shaven face adding much to his youthful appearance—Dr. Bashford brings to his office the greatest learning and a Christian character of which all alike speak in terms of praise. He has been offered the presidency of seven collegiate institutions, and the fact that he has chosen Delaware as his field of labor speaks well for our reputation, and gives earnest of much future prosperity for the University.

During the summer the trustees have acquired some valuable property, and have sanctioned plans for improving much of the old. On the campus at Monnett an addition to the old hall is being erected at a probable cost of \$25,000. It is to contain eighty rooms, all arranged *en suite*, two chambers and a study being included in each set of rooms. In addition to this, that ill-used adjunct of our college, the O. W. U. Conservatory of Music, is adding to itself a building full of practice rooms. What the effect will be when standing in its halls you hear snatches of Mozart, and White Wings and Bach and Marguerite, according as the grave or gay thumb the ivory, confuses even the imagination. The one prime need of the University, however, a new chapel, is as yet unprovided for. If this should chance to fall under the eyes of any wealthy Phi Psi of Ohio Alpha, let him, philosophically remembering that the chapter hasn't dunned him for some years past, however much it wanted to, delve down among the shekels and honor himself and his college and his fraternity by donating somewhat to the consumptive treasury of the University.

Thus far in advance of the year's opening, it is impossible to tell how the fraternity's goats may be pleased with the annual offering of new students. It is probable that Scythia and Persia, and all outlying "barbarian" regions,

will to greater degree than ever acknowledge Grecian supremacy. To a number of our alumni, whose interest we greatly appreciate, thanks are due for "pointers" in regard to incoming freshmen. In response to enquires in that direction, we in the active life of college can give good report of the condition of Ohio Alpha. We will open the year with about fourteen members, to which number others will be added according, it is to be hoped, as discretion goes hand in hand with zeal in the matter of choice. We are well represented in college affairs—social, athletic, and literary. If there be any doubting *Thomasi*, as the young Latin student put it, among our friends of gray hair or raven locks, come and see us; and we will try to convince you that the human iron pyrites in such general circulation on this mundane sphere has no place in that museum of human nature known as Phi Psi frat hall.

I can not close this letter without mentioning the pleasure that I personally have found in meeting vagrant Phi Psis during the months of summer vacation. Not very many of them, true, a half dozen or so, but manly and genial always, whether getting in the "sear and yellow leaf" of life, or fighting its noon battles, or far enough toward the dawn to leave the first moustache a prophecy, and to make the suspicion almost a certainty that somewhere about the vest pocket or in a watch charm lurked a picture of the "only girl in the world."

Well, the next letter from Delaware will have more drum-beat and less sentiment in it than that last would indicate; for it will be written just as the smoke is clearing away from the first battle of the year. Where this is prophecy, it will be in some sense history; and as the element of certainty is profoundly absent from the one, and always present, sometimes disappointingly so, in the other, it can not fail of more interest. May the Phi Psi goat have good cause after the conflict to mount the highest church steeple in town, and there, hair floating in the breeze, attitude martial, tail all awag with the enthusiasm of victory, shout in stentorian voice, "*Veni, Vidi, Vici!*" which being translated is to say, "I came, I saw, I got there!"

Reading that over, the metaphor seems mixed. Years ago I learned that a goat couldn't talk, though he could state arguments most forcibly. And then, a Greek goat talking Latin! As the Englishman says, "Its dem nonsense." Thinking of no way to rescue that bit of rhetoric from the mire, however, I had best throw myself on the charity of readers, and sign my name.

PHILIP PHILLIPS, JR.

Delaware, Ohio, September 7, 1889.

WITTENBERG.

Wittenberg's collegiate year opened the fifth of the month, and everybody, from the president of the college to the first prep, is on the alert, forming good resolutions, making new rules and generally preparing to rustle.

As usual, Ohio Beta is managing to keep up with the procession, and will be found in the front ranks when the roll is called.

Four of our brothers entered upon the great struggle of life on the twentieth

of June, last, and went forth into the cold unfeeling world to make a name for themselves as well as to do honor to Phi Psi.

The oration of Bro. Robt. H. Hiller, the second honor man, on "Life an Epos," was spoken of as one of the finest pieces of thoughtful composition which it had ever been the privilege of the criticiser to hear.

Brother Hiller spent his summer in New York, and during his absence he was apprised that an unusually high honor had been conferred upon him, he being elected to a position in the faculty of the Preparatory Department.

Brother Bouck, who has ever had the reputation of being a supereminently fine orator, only added to his laurels by his treatise on "The Cultivation of Individuality." Brother Bouck also returns to Wittenberg to enter the Theological Department.

The oration of Bro. C. L. Bauer, the musician of his class, was chastely beautiful in the rhythmical elegance of its rhetoric and the excellence of its thought.

Bro. Clem. Ehrenfeld no less distinguished himself by an able and brilliant speech on "The Destiny we Seek." Brothers Bauer and Ehrenfeld are both employed here in Springfield, and we in reality do not lose any men by graduation. Bro. Horace Keifer enters the junior class at Ann Arbor this year. Horace is a very popular man and we all regret losing him. Brother Boroff, of '91, does not return this year. Brother Ludlow graduated from the Cornell School of Pharmacy in June, and is in Springfield now.

Not the least of the many pleasant little times which Ohio Beta enjoyed the past year was the banquet given by us in connection with the Springfield Alumni Association at the Arcade Hotel on the eighteenth of June.

We were pleased to see among many visitors, Brothers Jones, Dillon, Brotherton, Phillips, Semans, McElroy, and Foraker of Ohio Alpha; also, Brothers Falconer and Carson, of Ohio Gamma. In all there were about one hundred and ten brothers and Phi Psi girls. Long live the Springfield Alumni Association, the largest in the Greek world. No member ever forgets that he is a Phi Psi.

Money has been raised for a college gymnasium, which will be erected in a few months. The foundations of the fine new theological building, to be erected on the campus, have been finished and the frame is about to be begun.

In our next we will be able to tell you about some new Phi Psis, but at the present we can only introduce to you your humble servant and scribe, who if an unworthy, is at least an enthusiastic Phi Psi. He was initiated on the 23d of May, and comes from Urbana, Ohio, and is a member of '92. We wish to apologize for this letter, and to plead ignorance and a lack of ability, but promise to live and learn under the kind guidance of $\Phi \Psi$.

HENRY F. MACCRACKEN.

Springfield, Ohio, September 13, 1889.

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Our joy at being together once more in September will be clouded with sadness, for there will be one missing—one who can never again meet in that old circle of friends he loved so well. Bro. C. W. Roehl died August 29th, at his home at Connersville, Indiana, of typhoid fever. Very few of us knew that he was even sick and the news of his death was consequently a great shock. Following closely on the report of his death came the news of his father's death from the same disease, and now his mother and sister are dangerously sick. Brother Roehl was a member of the class of '92, and was born into $\Phi \Psi$ in last October. He had intended upon finishing the course at De Pauw, to go to Boston and prepare himself for Mechanical Engineering, a calling for which he was well adapted and in which he would probably have gained high honors.

Several changes were made in our university last commencement, the most important being the change in the presidency. Dr. Martin, who has been President for twelve years, resigned the position and Dr. John, the Vice-President, was given control until a new President can be selected by the Trustees. Dr. Parkhurst also resigned from the Theological School, and Dean Parr from the Normal School. Dr. Parkhurst's place will be filled by Dr. Martin.

We don't know where all the boys spent their vacation. Brother Austin underwent a siege of sickness, but is now recovered. Brother Neff has charge of the Western Union office at Greencastle. Brothers Merle, Walker and Crawford eked out an existence on a farm, and Rudy—we don't know what he did, for when he left he told us to ask no questions, but his actions brought visions of book-agents to mind. Brother Dugan made quite a record as pitcher for the Terre Haute base ball team and will not be in school this year, but will teach school. Brother Downey will go to Boston to prepare himself for Electrical Engineering. Brother Fitch draws a big salary as draughtsman for the Minneapolis Street Railway Co., and will not be in school.

We have very good prospects for this fall, but can tell our success better in our next letter. We wish all a glorious success.

CHARLES G. HOUTS.

Kansas City, Missouri, September 14, 1889.

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Beta again sends greeting to all sister chapters through **THE SHIELD**, and takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity four new brothers: Charles D. Robinson, of Fairfield, Ill.; Mark P. Helm, of Muncie, Ind.; Richard T. Buchanan, of Metea, Ind.; and Alfred Mosmiller, of Jeffersonville, Ind. The first named brother is a freshman, and the third Phi Psi in his family. Brothers Helm and Buchanan are also members of the freshman class, and give promise of becoming excellent fraternity brothers. Brother Mosmiller is a senior. He is quite a linguist, being conversant in Spanish, French and German; has spent three years of his life studying in France.

So you see that during the five days that we have been here we have been working hard. We started out this year with twelve enthusiastic brothers, and

as a result of our labors we have already initiated four young gentlemen. Much of our success is due to the fact that we were on the ground early. As for the other fraternities we have learned very little; they seem to be asleep. Not a single other fraternity has initiated a man, so we have had very little serious opposition. True we did buck the Phi Deltas on one spike, but such opposition as that is hardly worth mentioning. It seems that the Beta boys are this year carrying on a "champagne campaign," but of course that would only catch the intemperate young men and those we do not want.

This year the University will have between 450 and 500 students. The outlook is good for a successful year. Several changes have been made in the faculty, but the new men seem to be competent instructors. The Law Department, just started this year, will have about twenty-five students. Judge D. D. Banta, of Franklin, Ind., is at the head of the department. Work on the new library building is making considerable progress, but it will not be ready for use before next fall.

With best wishes that sister chapters may enjoy such success as we have had and a prosperous year to THE SHIELD.

FRED. W. TRUSCOTT.

Bloomington, Ind., September 15, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Kansas State University opens to-day with especially bright prospects of a prosperous year. More new students have enrolled than ever before, despite the fact that one of the preparatory years has been dropped off, and the requirements for admission increased. The opening address by regent, Joel K. Moody, was one of the pleasant features of the day.

We are yet without a Chancellor, and as a result Bro. W. C. Spangler, regent, is acting Chancellor, and Prof. F. H. Snow is president of the faculty.

Prof. Blackmar is with us now, and is quite an addition to our ranks. Prof. Dunlap, created professor in the Department of English last June, has returned from his summer's work at Johns Hopkins, and will in all probability be made dean of his department.

All our collegiate seniors have returned, and indeed all the boys of last year but Brothers Wright, Durrell, Armstrong and Shellabarger, are with us. Brother Shellabarger will attend Princeton this year, and while our boys wish him success and God speed, they greatly regret his departure as Joe was one of our strongest men. Brother Armstrong will return again next year. To partially compensate our loss, Bro. C. F. Hutchings, of two years ago, and Brother Caldwell, are again with us, and are the same "hale fellows well met." Brother Caldwell spent the summer with Prof. Blake making electrical experiments off the coast of Rhode Island.

We have several splendid new men on the string, some of whom I hope to introduce in my next. An informal Phi Psi party will be enjoyed by the boys to-night to which all Phi Psis are cordially invited. Wishing success to THE SHIELD, I close.

JNO. A. MUSHRUSH.

University of Kansas, September 13, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF PACIFIC.

The University of the Pacific opened on August the 14th with about one hundred and thirty new students and nearly all of the old ones; our enrollment this year will probably go far above 600. The freshman class contains some twenty-five or thirty members and much good fraternity timber, upon which we have already drawn with good results.

The first meeting of California Alpha took place on August 16th, and every man with the exception of Brothers Evans, Winning, Richardson and Kennedy, who graduated last commencement, was present. Brothers Barnhisel, Canny, Williams and Macfarlane have returned to finish their courses, and so we have fourteen good men to start on, and ere I finish this letter we will probably have initiated some new men. At our first meeting this term, Brother Springer, '84, was present, and also Brothers Welch, '87, Tomkins, '86, Shafer and Martin, and we had a good, enthusiastic meeting indeed. As our classes go out by graduation our alumni leave their photographs framed upon the walls, and as a result all the new fratres become acquainted with the older men who have gone out before our time. Brother Springer, '84, has been away from our chapter for a long time and so had not had the pleasure of being in our chapter house until quite recently, and when he saw our framed brothers hanging on the walls, he said, "the class of '84, in which we had eight men, should be there, too," and we hope to have that pleasure soon realized. It will take quite a goodly-sized frame to hold eight cabinet photos nicely set.

And now I suppose it would not be out of place for me to tell you what some of the boys have been doing, are doing, and are about to be doing.

Brother Rich went to Yosemite and had a glorious time but seemed very anxious to get home when he reached its vicinity. He walked thirty-five or forty miles on the last day to beat the other fellows with the horses.

Brother Evans went to Alaska and Washington Territory, or state, rather. He went up to Tacoma on the same boat with Bro. Harry Yeazell, of Ohio Δ.

Brother Winning is engaged as business manager of a Pt. Arena newspaper, and Brother Richardson has gone east to study theology.

Brother Kennedy is running a ranch.

Last term we allowed a few barbs to take their meals with us in our chapter house, but it destroyed the feeling of home which the boys had formerly, and so this year we have no outsiders except a frater's younger brother. This action caused some dissatisfaction among some of the barbs, but we think their animosity won't have much effect upon us, although the "biggest eater" of those barbs has been doing some pretty tall talking about us.

We have the pleasure of introducing to the fraternity at large, Bro. Olin W. Marsh, a capital good fellow, who "rode the goat" in lordly style and will help hold on to '93 for us.

One thing we would like, would be to have another frat. at the University of the Pacific. We think that there would be less anti-fraternity feeling, which now seems in a quiet way to be pretty strong.

Hoping that all our chapters will open up with good prospects.

E. A. WILCOX.

College Park, California, September 17, 1889.

Spirit of the Fraternity Press.

This department of the paper is made up of excerpts from THE SHIELD'S exchanges, and reflects the sentiments of our rivals which are most pointed and characteristic. We refrain from expressing any opinions as to the matters discussed, and scarce deem it worth while to controvert any statement made by our contemporaries. No more is written by the Editor than may suffice for introduction to each quoted passage. This will relieve the doubts of inquirers, some of whom perversely consider this feature an exchange department.—ED. SHIELD.

The Key with a clearness of moral insight, for which its editor is to be congratulated, says:

What is fraternity honor? It is honor in fraternity. There is no special code or distinction. There is nothing which is dishonorable for any man or woman which is not dishonorable for a man or woman in fraternity. There are special and peculiar relations in fraternity life. But honor will not seem a different thing in these relations from the ordinary relations of life. If one happens to learn the secrets of a rival order, he will no more tell those secrets to any one if he is a man of honor, then he will open and read letters which do not belong to him. Sometimes one hears "I know the Rho Sigma motto" or "I can give you the Phi Psi grip." Such newsmongers should be discouraged by complete silence. The wily politician is a not altogether pleasing sight anywhere, but in fraternity he is often seen to worse advantage. The fraternity lobbyist! Strange combination of terms!

In the campaign season also, it is a pretty small piece of work to blacken the character of one's rivals. To show up one's own record in roseate hues, and to cast an unpleasant shadow over the record of others, marks the nature of a chapter at once as small, mean and contemptible. If one wants little pigs in one's chapter, feed the candidates. If one wants duped and deceived members, give them a few false stories about the opposition. If one wants loyal, strong, earnest initiates, the only method to pursue is an honest, straightforward method, giving the candidates time to think the matter over and treating them with respect and fair play. Work hard, work steadily and work worthily.

The recent issue of *The Scroll* is full of convention notes. Here is some sound gospel:

We do not favor the idea of a chapter "instructing" its delegate. A man feels bound to obey instructions at all hazards and he frequently finds new lights that alter the case entirely. We believe it is best to have a chapter's desires and opinions thoroughly understood by the delegate, who, of course, is in sympathy with these views; but to bind him by a command seems unwise, because extenuating circumstances may arise or be revealed, and it does not seem well to bind a man to be heedless of them. Either have a man educated to your views so as to be able to thoroughly represent you, and give him latitude for some exercise of his own judgment; or instruct him, if you prefer, with permission to deviate if his own sound judgment dictates in the light of new facts and conditions.

Again *The Scroll* speaks wisely on a topic which to the average editor of a Greek-letter society journal is a tender one:

Occasionally complaint appears in the Greek-letter magazines that the chapter letters are uninteresting, largely composed of "brag," lacking literary value and written in the style that has characterized these productions for years past.

This fault is often unjustly charged against the editor.

An examination of many letters gives the impression that the writers regard their work in the light of a task, and this, of necessity, robs the letter of the charm that springs from a labor of love. That the majority of these letters are without interest is certainly not the fault of the editor; he is bound to publish what his assistants send him. He can edit the letters to a certain extent or reject them entirely, but he can not write others to replace them, as he does not possess sufficient knowledge, even if he had the time and inclination.

Each chapter of a fraternity publishing an official magazine is supposed to have an associate editor or correspondent. The duties of such an officer are unquestionably to commit to paper the ideas and convictions which his brothers maintain on matters relating to the chapter and fraternity, and to transmit them through the magazine for the consideration of the fraternity at large. In short, his duty is to prepare a *chapter editorial*.

We do not wish to be understood as advocating the exclusion of news from a chapter letter. That is as essential as anything else, only it should be presented in a readable manner, free from useless verbiage and beyond localism.

When chapter letters are so prepared that they will reflect the ideas and opinions of the chapter and report news that is interesting, there will be no cause for criticism and the value of the fraternity magazine will be greatly enhanced. Then, too, will the aim of chapter letters be attained, and the link between every chapter and every member be more securely welded into the grand chain of fraternity.

Delta Upsilon Quarterly favors a plan which Φ \Kappa Ψ knows by experience to be a fine feature of the fraternity system:

It might prove a wise thing if the next convention would consider the advisability of reorganizing the district convention system as an important factor in fraternity progress. No doubt there is a question whether the length to which some fraternities carry the system is worth the trouble; but many reasons will come to mind why some such kind of gathering is desirable. Their most obvious excuse for being will be the educational value they may have to the delegates who attend. If held late in the spring or at any other convenient time, they must necessarily consider matters that are likely to come before the fall convention. Essays could be presented, discussions held and more than one matter of interest would be brought to general attention. Again such a convention would be, in its way, as great a unifier and cementer of friendship as the larger convention. Many men, who would be unable to attend the larger convention, would here be brought together and the result could not be anything but beneficial.

Hear this from the Δ Υ *Quarterly*, Φ Ψ 's of Columbus, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Minneapolis and St. Paul, St. Louis, New York and Philadelphia:

Should not something be done to improve the status and efficiency of our alumni chapters? While not inferior, perhaps, to those of most rival fraternities, they are, nevertheless, not as numerous nor as beneficial to Delta U. as they should be. A reason for this, we think, may lie in the somewhat anomalous method of forming these chapters. At present the alumni, wishing to form a chapter at this or that place, must petition the fraternity, and the application must be voted on by the undergraduate chapters. This is, to say the least, a rather curious procedure. If these men who petition for an alumni chapter are duly enrolled members of Delta Upsilon, it should be taken as *prima facie* evidence that they are capable of organizing and maintaining an alumni chapter. Why, then, should not such applications go directly to the Executive Council, who can easily determine whether the numbers and prospects of the alumni chapter justify the formation? At present there are alumni associations that have not complied with the provisions of the Constitution and accordingly have no connection with the fraternity as a whole. Such bodies were never contemplated, and surely should not long go on, irresponsible to the fraternity.

Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA *B.*

'57. Hon. H. T. Patton, Warsaw, Benton County, Mo., is judge of Probate Court of that county.

'59. Rev. H. Mansell, of Cawnpore, India, recently presented Allegheny College with a fine collection of India coin.

'59. S. B. Brock, Macon, Missouri, had the degree of Ph. D. conferred upon him at the last commencement.

'68. J. P. Colter, Esq., formerly of Kittaning, Pa., has removed to this city and will practice his profession at the Crawford County bar.

Our alumni were present in goodly number at our banquet commencement week. Those who renewed their acquaintance with the chapter are: Rev. F. M. Gregg, '57; Rev. R. S. Borland, '59; Rev. B. F. Beazell, '68; Rev. J. W. McIntyre, '69; Rev. E. K. Creed, '75; Rev. J. R. Mills, '62; Rev. W. H. Haskell, '69; F. A. Arter, '64; D. B. Heiner, '79; W. C. Beck, '85, and a good representation of our city alumni.

PENNSYLVANIA *F.*

Professor Loomis has had the title of Ph. D. conferred on him by Bucknell.

Bro. T. P. Coulston, D. D., delivered the annual oration before the alumni.

The F. K. Fowler prize for the best oration at the Junior Exhibition in Oratory was awarded to Bro. J. H. Haslam.

'87. Bro. J. G. Owens, Professor of Natural Sciences at South Jersey Institute, Bridgeton, N. J., spent the summer in Canada.

'88. Bro. H. M. Kelly, Professor of Latin at Pennsylvania Central College, took a course in Latin at Amherst College this summer.

'80. Brother W. G. Owens, Professor of Chemistry and Physics at Bucknell, has just returned from Europe, where he has been spending the summer in study.

The J. J. Kane prize to that member of the Graduating Class who delivers the best oration on Commencement Day was awarded to Bro. W. C. Gretzinger.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

Bro. J. Paul Earnest, '76, has changed his address in Washington to 622 12th St., N. W.

Bro. George S. Bowers, '80, delivered one of the addresses at the Selinsgrove Commencement.

Bro. J. H. Walterick, '72, has removed from Schellsburg, Pa., to Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois.

Bro. W. E. Parson, of Washington, D. C., received the honorary D. D. at Commencement.

Bro. H. W. Harter, '74, delivered a capital address in Canton, Ohio, at the exercises commemorating the centennial of Washington's first inauguration. Judging from the long extract in the *News-Democrat*, the whole must have been most excellent.

The following announcement will be gratifying to all Phi Psis, and especially so to Pennsylvania Epsilon, of which Brother Hoover was a member:—

Clinton D. Hoover.

Sadie B. Albaugh.

MARRIED

Thursday, June twenty-seventh,
Eighteen hundred and eighty-nine.
Circleville, Ohio.

At Home
Wapakoneta, Ohio.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

'72. J. H. Shopp is one of Harrisburg's many lawyers.

'86. S. E. Howell has gone into business at Omaha, Neb.

'76. Wright Eckersley is now Professor of Biology in the University of California.

'83. W. A. Eckels goes to Johns Hopkins this year to finish up his post-graduate studies.

W. D. Boyer, '88, is Professor of Greek and Elocution in St. Charles College, St. Charles, Mo.

'89. C. W. M. Black has been elected Professor of Mathematics in Dickinson Preparatory School, Carlisle, Pa.

'63. Asbury Clarke is one of the most prominent lawyers of Wheeling W. Va.

'62. D. W. McCurdy is a prominent lawyer of Clearfield, Pa., and a jolly good $\Phi K \Psi$.

'78. J. H. Morgan makes a very able professor of political economy, so say Dickinson students.

'78. T. F. Gross is one of Philadelphia's promising attorneys. He is one of Zeta's most earnest supporters.

'85. Phil M. Leakin is one of New York City's promising young lawyers. His address is 18 Wall Street.

'77. Bro. J. L. Shelly is practicing law at Mechanicsburg, Pa. A more genial $\Phi K \Psi$ it would be hard to find.

'89. W. W. Wharton graduated from the National College of Commerce in June. His address now is Dover, Del.

'75. J. Y. Dobbins is the pastor of the State-street Church, Trenton, N. J. He received the degré of D. D. last June.

'89. G. V. D. Morris has gone to Drew to pursue his theological studies. Lately he occupied his father's pulpit at Broad and Arch streets, Philadelphia.

'88. A. D. Meloy has accepted the chair of Natural Sciences in the Lock Haven Normal School. Professor Meloy is a rising man in his chosen profession.

PENNSYLVANIA H.

'88. Bro. A. L. G. Hay has been travelling throughout Kentucky this fall. He intends to study law at Somerset, Pa.

'83. Rev. Frank E. Shroder, who has been seriously ill for several years past, is rapidly recovering his strength and vigor.

'80. Bro. Fred. W. Biesecker, a delegate to the Republican convention from Somerset, Pa., paid Eta a visit of several days.

'86. Bro. A. L. Little, who attended law lectures in the summer course of the University of Virginia, stopped to visit the chapter on his return home.

'90. Irwin W. Hendricks has been in charge of the Reformed Mission at Washington, D. C., during the summer. He finishes his theological course this year.

'82. The sorrowful death of Rev. J. Z. Bowman, from typhoid fever, removes one of our most worthy alumni. He was on his wedding tour when taken ill at the home of his parents.

'62, '71, '78. At the ministerial conference held on the campus this summer, Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, '78; Rev. Simon S. Miller, '62, and Rev. John C. Bowman, '71, were given $\Phi \Psi$ greeting.

'61. Major A. C. Reinoehl is the Republican nominee for District Attorney of Lancaster County. In lieu of the fact that the county is 10,000 Republican, his election is conceded by the Democrats.

PENNSYLVANIA θ .

Bro. H. M. Watts, '86, was elected secretary and treasurer of his class.

Bro. P. C. Evans, '74, was elected secretary of his class at commencement time, and is to assist in getting up a history of the class for the reunion, five years hence.

OHIO Δ .

Bro. J. P. Milligan, '86, graduated at the Oberlin Theological Seminary in June. Mr. M. conducted the religious exercises on Commencement Day at his alma mater, and is now pastor of the Northwood Congregational Church.

CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

A. E. Dole was heard from during the summer, from Paris, Ills.

Charles W. Hodell, of Indiana A , was one of the vacation callers.

Want to know where another brother, Will Green, is now. Formerly here.

Province Pogue, '83, writes to the Alumni Association from University of Virginia.

Miss Belle Burnham, Freeman Avenue, will not be found lacking in favoring and aiding social interests of the Alumni Association.

Hale Houston, '88, now hails from the "Southland," his parents having removed from Wyoming, Ohio, to Talledega, Alabama.

Cincinnati boys will send in their writeable mite to help fill up THE SHIELD papers, as well as remit their cash to help fill up THE SHIELD coffers.

The Ferral Club, one of the City's best known in a social and literary way, was organized by Phi Psis, and had for its first president a Phi Psi.

Cincinnati Phi Psis are along in years and life but are not rusty. Are getting "live coals" from the middle glowing embers of the old altars.

S. W. Powell heard of as with Niles Tool Co., Hamilton, Ohio, is another Phi Psi the Alumni Association members are desirous of seeing and knowing.

Miss Louise Fisher, teacher in Art Department, DePauw University, and a loyal friend to Phi Psi, met with some of the Phi Psi groups of Cincinnati during her stay here.

Prof. G. W. Burns was not sure this time of attending the Phi Psi banquet. Had a reception of his own on hand. The new heir will be taught the ways that are Phi Psi.

Miss Carrie Lehman, West Seventh Street, can be numbered among the active supporters of Phi Psi, and will wear the pink and lavender for the Cincinnati Association group.

C. L. Van Cleve, SHIELD editor and general Phi Psi hustler, visited here in July. Warm Sunday; but he attended church—so the ladies said who were on the lookout for styles and strangers.

C. E. Fearl, formerly with O. & M. R. R. Co. here, is now T. P. A. of same and located at St. Joseph, Missouri. Brother Fearl called and introduced himself, as all Phi Psis are wanted to do when passing through Cincinnati.

George W. Faris and wife passed through Cincinnati on their way home from a tour East. Brother Faris is an old Phi Psi, a well known citizen and prominent attorney of Terre Haute, Indiana, and has a royal wife who knows Phi Psi of old.

The *Commercial-Gazette* has been recognizing the Cincinnati Alumni Association, its membership, and the gatherings, fully and well. And it caught on to patronage by its full accounts of Phi Psi. One date alone this month 35 copies were ordered by one, 9 copies by another, 15 by another, and so on.

Cincinnati Phi Psi creed, viz.: Answer all Phi Psi communications, hunt up your old badge or get a new one, look up Phi Psis, young or old, wherever you are, get out some Phi Psi cards and send them around, support THE SHIELD and take extra copies besides, and talk, and push, and boom Phi Psi generally.

The annual banquet of the Alumni Association to had in December at one of the largest hotels, will be made one of the social events of the season in Cincinnati. It has been planned for already. Resident members will be re-enforced by visiting Phi Psis from chapters, alumni associations and cities distant and near. Correspondence has been going on regarding the occasion.

This time it is E. H. Cherrington, pastor of M. E. Church at Hartwell. Won and wed a splendid bride in the person of Miss Stella V. Steele, daughter of Ex-Mayor Steele. Ceremony in the M. E. Church at Petoskey, Michigan, performed by Dr. L. R. Fiske, of Albion College, Michigan. An ovation was accorded the worthy couple on their return to Hartwell, the affair proving to be quite a society event. "Sister" Steele will be welcomed to the circles of Cincinnati Alumni Association.

ILLINOIS A.

Dr. W. H. H. Adams, ex-president of the Illinois Wesleyan University, made the annual address before the Denver University last year.



College and Fraternity Notes.

Kappa Kappa Gamma is agitating the question of a fraternity flower.

Yale is now the great Mecca for every fraternity not having a chapter there.

Phi Delta Theta has a revised ritual which *Scroll* expects to see adopted at the Bloomington convention next month.

The charge of Theta Delta Chi at Kenyon College died this summer with the graduation of the only member.

The *Scroll* says the men who have been organized as a Beta Theta Pi chapter at Pennsylvania State College had previously petitioned Phi Delta Theta.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Harris, *Σ X*, for twenty years principal of Keystone Academy in Pennsylvania, has been inaugurated President of Bucknell University.

The American colleges support three college dailies and Europe has not one. In England there is but one undergraduate publication and that is a monthly review at Oxford.

Appearances indicate that the *Scroll* will soon be published as a bi-monthly. We are led to believe from comments in the journal that the last volume was not a financial success.

William R. Baird, the author of "American College Fraternities," is about to prepare a revision. Mr. Baird will no doubt make a very complete book in this his second revision.

The matriculation cards of students in German universities shield their holders from arrest by civil authorities and also give free admission to many of the art galleries and museums of Europe.—*Ex.*

It was reported in one of the Cincinnati papers that a well-dressed young man named W. F. Becker, answering the description of the Wittenberg plagiarist, had been adjudged insane by the authorities of that city.

Harvard has lately taken two professors from Kansas schools, a Professor of the Scandinavian languages from Lindsborg and a Professor of English Literature from the State University. This speaks well for Kansas institutions.—*Lantern*.

Quite a sensation has been created in fraternity circles at the University of Georgia during the past term by the fact that four out of the eight fraternities at the university have initiated men from town, some of whom have not the slightest intention of entering college for several years at least. These fraternities are Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta and Alpha Tau Omega.

Fraternity chapters are not numerous at Harvard. Beckwith, '91, tried to revive the defunct chapter of Psi Upsilon, but whether he succeeded or not I can not at this late day find out. Theta Delta Chi chapter disbanded this year on account of general lack of enthusiasm, and lack of time on the part of the members to attend to chapter duties.—*Harvard Correspondent, Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Though Chauncey M. Depew's name was on the toast list at the Psi Upsilon convention held in Rochester in May, he did not appear. This incident calls to mind Mr. Depew's explanatory opening remarks at the Psi Upsilon convention in New York in 1886, when he electrified his hearers by giving them to understand that his name had been placed on the programme without his permission, and that he appeared only to save the committee from disgrace.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

At Columbia, $\Psi \Upsilon$ seems to have things all her own way in class elections, while $A \Delta \Phi$ will be well represented on the 'Varsity and freshman crews of this year. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ had almost died out at Columbia. At the beginning of the year she was represented in the senior class only; but by a great effort she has secured seven freshmen and one sophomore, thus securing her existence. $\Phi \Delta \theta$ is at present dormant, not having initiated a man this year, and but one last year, who did not return to college. $\Delta K E$, much to our surprise, has initiated but one man from the freshman class this year. It has been the custom of $\Delta K E$ to take from ten to fifteen men from each class.—*Columbia letter in the Theta Delta Chi Shield*.

It is of some interest to observe the number of prizes that are given in one of our larger universities during a college year. Ever since the establishment of the fellowship system at Princeton the numbers in attendance have increased and the standard of scholarship has been raised. These are the following fellowships open to competition by graduates of

any university: Fellowship in Biology, which brings an income to the incumbent of \$400; Social Science Fellowship, \$500; English Fellowship, \$400; Archæological Fellowship, \$400. The members of the senior class may compete for the following fellowships: Mental Science, \$600; Experimental Science, \$600; Mathematics, \$600; Classics, \$300; History, \$250; Modern Languages, \$250. There are fifteen prizes offered during the senior year, eight in the junior year, three in the sophomore and one in the freshman year. Those who enter the freshman class next autumn will be eligible to compete in their sophomore year for the Steinecke prize for the best student in the classics. The prize of \$1,500 is the largest prize offered by any college in this country.

The following interesting custom of the Sigma Nu fraternity during its early years is recorded in the April *Delta*: "The practice seems to have been to give to each member on leaving the V. M. I., a charter to establish a chapter in such a place as he might choose. A good many charters were issued in this way and it is probable that a number of chapters were formed but all have been lost sight of except four. These were located at the University of Virginia, Bailey Law School, at Asheville, N. C., Tarboro, N. C., and the University of Georgia. All were short-lived and no records of any of them have been found." Sigma Nu was founded in 1869 at the Virginia Military Institute as an opponent to Alpha Tau Omega, then the only fraternity represented at the Institute. The founders were Western men and they were called "Whitefeet" in distinction from the Alpha Taus who called themselves "Blackfeet" and ruled collegiate affairs with a high hand.

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A POLICY OF EXTENSION.

A great deal is being said nowadays about the desirability of having a policy of fraternity extension. It seems to have been discovered that we are lacking in this respect, and the doctors are struggling with their diagnosis or trying to find a patent cure-all. Under these circumstances a homeopathic dose administered through the columns of THE SHIELD will do no harm, and may give the "regulars" a point or two.

We have heard many eloquent and no doubt logical speeches at our Grand Arch Councils on this subject, by which the delegates have been aroused to enthusiasm, but when some dear brother from the backwoods meekly rises for information as to what particular policy they have to offer, the orators take a back seat to ponder.

After some experience in fraternity affairs, I am forced to the conclusion that a policy under the present system of granting charters is like the traditional pot of gold at the base of the rainbow—it is a delusion and a snare.

A policy, as used here, means a plan of action agreed upon, to which the organization thus agreeing guarantees its support. This plan of action must be both general and specific in order to avail anything. The chapters might agree upon a general plan of Southern extension, for instance, and materially disagree upon the particular institutions to be included in the plan. But how shall this agreement be reached? If it were a question to be settled by majorities no trouble would be experienced, but in this case the rule is reversed and the minority controls. The size of the minority is of no consequence, for the veto power is placed in the hands of each chapter, so that the results thus reached may not represent the sentiments of the fraternity but those of a chapter, or possibly some one who controls the chapter. The only policy which such a system favors is that of non-extension.

It may be that Phi Kappa Psi does not need to extend; that she is

big and strong enough, and that further additions are not desirable. If this is the accepted theory, let it be so understood and conscientiously adhered to. If, however, our policy shall favor conservative extension, we must adopt such a system as will secure the best results with the least friction and delay.

To adopt a policy of extension with a system suited to non-extension would appear to be rank nonsense. And yet is that not the present situation of affairs? The entire fraternity desires to extend, yet we can not agree as to where to extend. Some say, "Strike for New England;" others will vote against any move in that direction. Some say, "The South is our field;" others fear to try experiments there. Some favor denominational schools; others will consider nothing but State institutions. This has been called *conservatism*; to me it looks like imbecility. A conservative vote must be an intelligent vote; yet I am constrained to believe that the mass of our fraternity vote upon petitions for charter in substantial ignorance of their merits and without the means, time or inclination to investigate them. A conservative vote must be unprejudiced, yet prejudice is frequently an important factor in determining the vote of a chapter. A conservative vote should represent a cool discreet judgment based upon all the circumstances of the case and in line with a well-defined policy; yet very few chapters take in the full scope and significance of petitions placed before them for consideration.

The vote of a chapter is that of its individual members and in proportion as the individual voting is ignorant or misinformed regarding the subject voted on, so does his vote become a menace to the welfare of the fraternity; for an ignorant, prejudiced or misinformed vote is not only not conservative but positively dangerous. A college man usually has enough to do in managing his own affairs, and the amount of time spent by him in investigating the merits of a petition for charter is not alarming. The fact is he has no time or facilities for such work.

But if we are to have a policy of extension, who is to name it? Evidently the chapters can not. The G. A. C. never has and probably never will; it is not properly constituted for calm and deliberate action. This work naturally falls to the E. C., yet that Council has no control of the matter, and should it adopt a plan of campaign the weakest chapter in the fraternity can veto it. If the E. C. adopts a policy it should have the power to enforce it. I am firmly convinced that the E. C. should be given full control in the granting of petitions for charter if we would have a definite policy of extension. Not that by these means our chapter roll would be largely increased, but because by the conservative and intelligent action of that Council I believe the best results would be secured.

W. C. WILSON.

The Areopagus.

THE COMING SONG BOOK.

The committee appointed on the fraternity song book is still at work trying to get the various chapters to respond to the call for songs. Only about half of the chapters have paid any attention to the matter. It is to be hoped that more have some songs which they might send. As it is, only a small proportion of the fraternity chapters will be represented in the book, and this the committee thinks is not as it should be.

If each chapter will appoint an active committee in this matter with instructions to report to the song committeeman from its district, something might be accomplished. It is exceedingly difficult to get the chapters to do any corresponding in regard to the matter or make any report to the committee, and hence the work is even worse than collecting bad debts from dead-head persons.

Lots of alumni can be found who will contribute a song to the book if only the proper effort is made by the chapters.

LINCOLN M. COY.

SPRINGFIELD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BANQUET.

Phi Kappa Psi added new glories to its crown of laurels Tuesday evening, by its reception, banquet and reunion, at the Arcade Hotel. Confessing no peer and acknowledging no superior, Phi Psi demonstrated its position last evening in a glowing way. Certainly no more brilliant college affair ever wrote its graceful signature on the pages of history, and certainly no college event was ever better ordered, more finely realized, more capably managed, more a fraternity and social triumph, as a whole, than this.

It is difficult to realize in what detail it might have been improved. The event was the culmination of newly established relations between Ohio Beta Chapter, of this city, and the recently organized Springfield Alumni Association. One feature alone, perhaps, was dubious—the banquet lasted until the gray morning, and the birds were singing the great

overture of day when "low on the sand and loud on the shore, the last wheel echoed away."

The scene was animated and brilliant to a degree that quite embarrasses description. The reception commenced at 9 o'clock and continued for two hours, the spacious reception rooms and corridors of the Arcade being thronged the meanwhile with a notably fine-looking assemblage. Nearly all present were in full evening dress, and some delightful toilets were displayed. This portion of the evening was thoroughly informal, and not the least enjoyable of the occasion. The assemblage was honored by the presence of alumni both from home and abroad who have won distinction, prominence, and even eminence, and was exquisitely graced by the presence of an assemblage of bright, sparkling and charming ladies, such as only Springfield is able to successfully produce. The Phi Psi girl is a winning, delightful creature, and she was at her utmost Tuesday evening.

There were no formal exercises preceding the banquet. Promenading was the order, with a little spontaneous dancing among the younger guests, which the music of the orchestra provoked and made impossible to resist. Animated social observances continued until the tocsin sounded for the feast. Both preceding and during the banquet Foreman's orchestra rendered a fine concert program, worthy of any musical organization in the metropolitan cities. The music, during the feast, and particularly the Spanish numbers, was new and charming.

The banquet hall was a study in beauty, grace and symbolism. Its decorations were not only exquisite to the general eye, but to the fraternity they were full of meaning and a dear significance. The tables were arranged in the form of a double "T," and were flashing with snowy napery, crystal, silver and flowers. These, the mirrors at either end of the hall, countlessly duplicated, and the whole was crowned with a glow of light in which the hall's full resources of both gas and electricity were demanded. The floral designs were full of the Phi Psi sentiment. On a sideboard was a superb shield in the form of a fraternity badge, in flowers of lavender and pink, the fraternity colors. On the walls were the letters Phi Kappa Psi in gleaming evergreen, with the fraternity star on either side. In the center of the table was a splendid design, representing a Grecian lamp, also a fraternity emblem. Picturesquely strewn upon the table were Buckeye branches, palms, ferns, and other choice green plants, while pond lillies, roses and pansies were numerous.

The menu was a magnificent one—quite the most elaborate, probably, ever served in this city. Colonel Munger deserves nothing but credit for the feast, and special further commendation for the graceful manner in

which he presided in full evening dress, in the dining room, and was alert and watchful for the comfort of his guests. Covers were laid for 125, and Head Waiter Faulkner and his corps served the elaborate feast in a manner that can only be commended. The menu and program cards were handsome hand-painted souvenirs of the most artistic character. They were tied in the fraternity colors, and were thoroughly good form. The menu was as follows:

Mock Turtle, au Grinelle.
Broiled Fillet of Bass, a la Bechamel.
New Potatoes, au Gratin.
Queen Olives. Sliced Tomatoes.
Phi Psi Sherbet.
Fillet de Bœuf, en faci soux Champignons.
Broiled Spring Chicken, on Toast.
Fried Frog-Legs, a la Nantaise.
Lemon Ice.
Fresh Asparagus, a la Creme.
Westphalia Ham. Cold Tongue.
Chicken Salad, a la Mayonnaise.
Vanilla Ice Cream. Strawberries.
Assorted Cake.
Lady Fingers. French Kisses.
Macaroons. Oranges. Apples.
Cheese. Bananas. Figs.
Crackers. Java Coffee.

It was past one o'clock when the last of the Java was sipped, and the toasting was commenced. Judge Charles R. White acted as toastmaster, and was entirely effective as such—courteous, kindly, witty, magnetic. His introductory remarks were well received.

Mr. A. D. Hosterman, of the *Republic-Times*, opened the program with a scholarly and earnest response to the fruitful toast, "College Fraternity Development." Mr. Hosterman in clear, vigorous language of a highly rhetorical order, sketched the rise of college fraternities whose birth were coincident with that of the nation. Mr. Hosterman's address was received with enthusiasm.

Rev. W. A. Robinson, of Cleveland, formerly of this city, briefly responded to the toast "Phi Kappa Psi," and made some quaint and droll, but extremely effective points. Mr. W. S. Thomas responded to "The Ladies" with an original poem full of gallantry, and Hon. J. Warren Keifer delivered a solid, eloquent and thoughtful address on "Our Alumni Association." The General is a distinguished Phi Psi, and his address was listened to with vast interest.

And then came that bubbling, effervescent genius, J. H. Rabbitts, Esq., with a toast on "The Genius of the Pan-Hellenistic Idea," and did just what every one knew he would do—established and maintained a series of convulsions on the part of the audience. Mr. Rabbitts was at his best, and that is a superlative with a meaning. He is Springfield's after-dinner talker, in a humorous way, and like Curacao, grows better with age. Mr. Charles L. Van Cleve, of Troy, editor of the fraternity SHIELD, was graceful and happy in his response to "The Fraternity Machinery," and Mr. Will West, of Bellefontaine, son of the venerable Judge West, made one of the marked hits of the evening in "Our Ends and Aims." Mr. Philip Phillips, of Delaware, son of his distinguished father, made the most scholarly address of the evening on "Our Rivals as Our Teachers." Mr. Phillips' language was conspicuous for its purity and beauty. Mr. J. C. Garver, of Rockford, Illinois, a portly, handsome alumnus of Wittenberg, was very effective in his "Remembrances," as was also Rev. Frank G. Mitchell, in his "Recollections of the Goat." Notwithstanding the extreme lateness of the hour, both held the closest attention of the audience. The dawn was feebly fighting with the electric lights in the banquet hall when Mr. E. A. Daumont, president of the Cincinnati association, concluded the toast program, with a bright, crisp address on "The Ideal Phi Psi." Governor Foraker, who was expected, could not be present.

The following is a full list of the guests, including the distinguished visitors from abroad:

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CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

More subscriptions for THE SHIELD being sent in from Cincinnati.

Willis Kendig is a recent addition to the roll of the Alumni Association here.

Two members of the association here were at the head of committees of reception, music, and special "work" attendant upon conferring of degrees in Masonry, consequent upon the assemblage of Grand Lodge of Masons of Ohio. Meeting in Cincinnati the first time for many years, and the largest gathering of Masons yet held in Ohio.

Rev. S. A. Keen, another recent addition to the membership of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, is the new pastor of the Walnut Hills M. E. Church. Brother Keen is known as an active Phi Psi.

Chapters will confer a favor by always giving information of any alumni or others of their members coming to reside in this vicinity at any time.

F. C. Bray, member of the Song Book Committee, now at Middletown, Connecticut, has been heard from. Always glad down in the Queen City to have correspondence with chapters, alumni, brothers—any body who hails as a Phi Psi.

In a few weeks the Cincinnati Alumni Association will arrange for a lecture to be delivered before them by Judge M. L. Buchwalter. Complimentary tickets will be issued to the ladies and friends of the members of the Alumni Association, and the audience and occasion be made a large one. One of the prominent club halls for which Cincinnati is famous will be used.

E. E. Stroup, of Shelbyville, Indiana, and Thomas Carson, of Fairland, Indiana, are heard of as brothers in Phi Psi, and are regarded as in this jurisdiction until there is an Indianapolis Alumni Association.

C. E. Everett, secretary of the Cincinnati Association, is having an

extended vacation in New York State. He will be seen at the December banquet in "great force," and will be heard of before.

Cincinnati Phi Psis were gladdened by a letter from Bro. Horace J. Miller, of Pittsburg. Will rejoice to greet an Alumni Association there, and will get there with them in due time. Stir up brother Phi Psis in all the large cities. Take a stick; if one stick won't do, take two. But do n't taffy any of the sticks used. Fasten on straight Phi Psi goods and gospel.

One of the most eminent musicians and popular composers of this city has been engaged for a special composition, to be entitled, "The Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity Waltzes." Same will be a high grade composition, eight pages, highly embellished, fine title page with the insignia of the fraternity, and will be copyrighted. It will be dedicated to the Fraternity of the United States by the Cincinnati Alumni Association. The composition will rank with the foremost and most popular anywhere in the United States, and will be a great go for concert programmes and orchestral transcriptions. The piece is in process of publication now.

Mrs. Kate D. Röehl, of Connersville, Indiana, mother of Werner Röehl, of Indiana A, has lasting tokens and remembrances from Phi Kappa Psi. Mrs. Röehl lost both husband and son by death within a few days of one another. Mrs. Röehl and daughter, before locating at Greencastle, Indiana, to await Miss Röehl's graduation from De Pauw University, will go South for an extended trip. In passing through Cincinnati, Mrs. and Miss Röehl will meet members of the Alumni Association here.

On Monday night, December 30th, will occur the annual reception and banquet of the Cincinnati Alumni Association. The affair will not be excelled by any of the social events of the Queen City, and the occasion will prove memorable, perhaps historic, for the fraternity at large. Already everything has been attended to and arranged for, and with no details to take up time at the last. Decorations, music, favors, programme, and extras, all arranged for. The entire programme will be wholly an innovation on the usual run and rut of like occasions. Phi Psis attending will see a spectacle that will warm their hearts, for permanent abiding officers, special committees, and members of the association are now awaiting the event, pushing invitations, and counting names. The ladies prominent in Cincinnati circles will take an active part. Already letters of acceptance have been received from brothers representing Illinois, Indiana, and Tennessee. Of course Ohio will be out in force. Full particulars and unannounced extras will appear later on. The details will gladden and surprise all.

E. A. DAUMONT.

Editorial.

By a mixing of sheets of "copy," in the last SHIELD on p. 39, the *Scroll* is credited with some pertinent observations to chapter correspondents which appeared in the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* for July last. They are worth re-reading and we hope correspondents of SHIELD upon reading this correction will take down the September SHIELD and note again what the editor of our valued contemporary has to say.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of two more annuals, *Kaldron* and *Echo*, each handsome and creditable to its college. We regret that the delay in sending these volumes renders their review at this late date inopportune, and hope the brothers at Allegheny and Hobart, as well as the forgetful ones elsewhere, will remember us better the coming year.

The chapters may note a discrepancy between the account of SHIELD finances for Vol. IX, as given in the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Council and as found in a recent letter from the Editor of THE SHIELD. The explanation of this slight difference is found in the fact that at the time of the meeting of the Council there were some small outstanding accounts to be settled, and after these were met the circular letter was prepared and sent out.

We doubt not that as the rushing season is "on" many faithful Phi Psis have been chagrined at failure and unduly puffed up with pride at success. We have heard from a number of colleges that the crop of freshmen this year is unusually poor, green and unpalatable, and the small number of initiates is thus accounted for.

It may be well at this juncture to remind the faint-hearted that the race is not always to the strong, and that the most unpromising material often develops into an excellent sort before the year closes. We have always thought that the custom of seizing men and rushing them into a fraternity before they have fairly unpacked their trunks is unwise in the highest degree, and much of failure and mistake might be avoided by judicious delay.

At the beginning of a year many addresses have become confused. We remind readers of THE SHIELD that our list of "unknowns" is increased, and that any information looking toward a finding of these lost brothers will be gladly received.

New initiates, including time and place of birth, name *in full*, and home address of each, also changes in records already sent in, should be promptly forwarded to Bro. George Smart, 236 Superior street, Cleveland, Ohio, for insertion in the catalogue. Keep on sending information till you receive the book. The first assessment for the catalogue is due November 1, and payable to Bro. George Dun, Columbus, Ohio.

Notice is hereby given that Iowa Delta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has resigned her charter, and the same is revoked by action of the Executive Council.

W. C. WILSON,

Secretary E. C.

The Executive Council did a graceful thing at their recent meeting in purchasing for Brothers Wilson and Dun two handsome pins. No one knows how much gratuitous labor these devoted brothers have done for the fraternity, and all, without reward, except such as their approving consciences have given. In this manner they return their thanks :

To the Members of Phi Kappa Psi :

We desire to express our high appreciation of the graceful compliment paid to us by the fraternity through the Executive Council, in the presentation of two beautiful badges and the pleasant sentiments expressed in the resolution accompanying the gift. They will be brilliant and ever-present reminders of a cause that lies very near our hearts.

W. C. WILSON, *Secretary,*
GEORGE W. DUN, *Treasurer.*



Chapter Letters.

ALLEGHENY.

Pennsylvania Beta sends greeting to THE SHIELD. Allegheny has again passed through the excitement which characterizes the opening of a new year, and is now settled down to the usual routine of college work.

Our chapter is up to her usual standard of excellence. Since our last letter we have increased our number from ten to fifteen. It gives us pleasure to introduce to THE SHIELD and sister chapters Bros. Wm. M. Haskel, of Pleasantville, Pa.; Wm. H. Scoffield, of Mayville, N. Y.; Warren Daniels, Meadville, Pa.; Walter Bates, Meadville, Pa.; and P. Luther Hatch, of Union City, Pa., all of whom now wear "The Pink and the Lavender" with a pride which is stimulating to see.

There are many new students at Allegheny this year, and consequently the rush made by the various fraternities was spirited; but with the above named men as the results of our labor we can not be other than satisfied.

Brother Miller, '90, has left us for his new home in St. Louis. Brother Miller is full of life and energy, and we look with regret at the place made vacant by his departure.

Bro. Lee Baldwin, '90, now occupies the position of local editor of the *Campus*, made vacant by the departure of Brother Miller.

Brother Barnes is not in college this year. He has a responsible position on the engineering corps of the P. R. R.

Since our last letter the Segma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity has moved into a chapter house. The gentlemen fraternities at Allegheny, with the exception of one, are now living in chapter houses. This shows the popularity of the chapter house idea at Allegheny.

The membership of the different fraternities is as follows: Phi Kappa Psi, 15; Phi Gamma Delta, 15; Delta Tau Delta, 11; Phi Delta Theta, 16; Kappa Alpha Theta, 11; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 12; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 6.

At the senior election Brother Barrett was elected orator and Brother Herperger treasurer.

One of the happiest social events of the term was the reception recently given by Pa. Beta to friends at college and in Meadville. An enjoyable time was spent by means of dancing, games and conversation. The $\Phi \Psi$ quartette favored the company with a few selections which were heartily received.

FRED. CATTERN.

Meadville, Pa., October 11, 1889.

BUCKNELL.

Bucknell opened under most favorable auspices. Nearly four hundred students are enrolled in the different departments. Great things are expected under the able leadership of our new President, Dr. John Harris, who is deservedly popular with the students.

Φ Ψ continues to maintain her high rank at Bucknell. Gamma Chapter is in a most flourishing condition.

I take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity our recent initiate, Mr. John H. Blackwood, '93, of Scranton, Pa. Brother Blackwood while pursuing his regular studies is also instructor of stenography in the University. A good student, trained athlete, and perfect gentleman, Brother Blackwood is an honor to Φ Ψ. Ere long we hope to acquaint another, who is pledged awaiting the consent of parents, with the mysteries of Φ Κ Ψ.

At a recent meeting the following officers were elected: Haslam, Tustin, Blackwood, Koonce, Mackleduff.

September 24th our foot ball team played Swarthmore the initial game of the season, resulting in a victory for Bucknell. The score being Swarthmore 0, Bucknell 8.

Φ Ψ was well represented on both teams. We were pleased to entertain Brothers Clothier, Sproul, Temple, and Ketchem. Seldom have we come in contact with such enthusiastic Φ Ψs, and if Penn. Κ is composed of such men, she ranks second to none in the district.

Bro. Joe M. Wolfe, '89, (Bucknell) who is pursuing a post-graduate course at Cornell, has been transferred to N. Y. Alpha. We congratulate our sister chapter, realizing that our loss is her gain.

We are making extensive improvements in our chapter halls. A beautiful new piano is our latest acquisition, at which Brother Holmes presides with grace and skill. Brother Blackwood is also an excellent performer on the mandolin, so we are not lacking in musical talent.

A committee has been appointed to secure a suitable location for a chapter house, which will be a thing of the near future.

A. LINCOLN MOORE.

Lewisburg, Pa., October 8, 1889.

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Owing to an accident during commencement week, the writer was not able to send Epsilon's letter for publication, but invigorated by the summer's vacation and autumnal breezes we will endeavor to tell the fraternity at large something of our doings.

To look at Pennsylvania College now one would think that it is a good thing for a college to chase away her students for a short time. During our absence the new building, containing library, recitation rooms, society halls, etc., has been finished, and it is very handsome. Our old rooms were also torn up and they are now to be finished in hard wood with steam and water appliances. The Brua Memorial Chapel is under way, and will be finished about

Christmas. All this work has brought good results, and it will not be a very long time when Pennsylvania College, with Epsilon on top, will be heard from. We lost three of our best men last year. E. C. Hecht was the only graduate, and now has a good position in the Coleman Iron Works, of Lebanon, Pa. V. H. Fager, of '90, left college to study medicine, and is now at the University of Penn. Jay Leiser, of '93, is now in Brooklyn, N. Y., trying to regain his health. This left us with seven men to begin this year with.

L. C. Stitely, of Westminster, Md., has returned. He entered the class of '92. He left college one year ago and took a trip through the West for the good of his health. It did him a great deal of good, and he now looks the picture of health.

We were not yet satisfied, and sent out a few scouts to "size up" the freshies." They reported four and we got to work in earnest. When the dust cleared away, and there was lots of it, we had drawn all of the four into the fold. Let me now introduce to the brothers at large the "big four," who have been conquered on the historical battle field of Gettysburg. R. R. Miller, Pine Grove, Pa., the one who is to take the freshman prize. G. B. Le Van, Harrisburg, Pa., the coming freshman base ball pitcher. E. E. Seyfert, Pine Grove, Pa., the great talker. F. G. Turner, Lutherville, Md., the fellow who broke the goat's back. They are all good men and you will hear from them later.

We tried the new initiation, and think it is just the thing. "It fills the bill" in every respect, and is a great improvement over the old one.

Our hall is as attractive as ever, but we expect to add some improvements which we will speak of later.

Our letters to THE SHIELD have been few and far between in the past, but we will try to be more punctual in the future. Success and long life to THE SHIELD and the fraternity!

S. E. WHITMER.

Gettysburg, Pa., October 2, 1889.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Zeta has again begun another year in her existence, with the return of the boys to college. They all seem none the worse for their vacation, although from some of their experiences one would judge that by most of them much sleep had been lost, in their efforts to keep a large and varied number of nymphs from feeling lonely during the summer season. And that some impressions have been made in this direction, is proven by the voluminous missives received by Price and Eveland, who, by the way, are artless wretches,—the former having seven young ladies in this town alone in constant turmoil as to the one who is most favored by him. As to Eveland—well, it is safe to say that having subtracted the aforesaid seven what remains of the tender sex can without difficulty be conveniently managed by him.

We began this year with twelve men, since then we have augmented our number to seventeen. The names of our new initiates are McRea, '92; Hyn-

son, '92; Storm, '93; Curry, '93, and Strite, also a '93 man, the two last being brothers of former members; and if they prove as loyal as their fraters we shall indeed have no cause to be sorry that we permitted them to cross the threshold of a $\Phi \Psi$ chapter house, for their predecessors were true as steel and loyal as the day is long.

We have not been neglected either by our alumni. Brother Eckles of the coming (?) "Grand Catalogue" fame, was on hand as usual to inculcate into the minds of the new men the superiority of $\Phi \Psi$ over all other fraternities, and much that has been accomplished is due to his skillful engineering and dextrous suavity when new game was being scented. He is now studying for a Ph. D. at Johns Hopkins. May he either get that, or next best—a girl to overcome his bashfulness.

Brothers Meloy and Anderson were also with us for a few days. We were glad to see them, and we reciprocate by taking care of their Carlisle girls during their enforced absence from town.

Boyer, of '88, stopped on his way to Missouri, where he is filling the chair of Greek and Elocution in St. Charles College.

Apropos of stopping, we're reminded by the length of this that we had better do the same, and we will by wishing for the fraternity in general, and THE SHIELD in particular, a very successful and happy collegiate year.

RALPH ILLINGWORTH.

Carlisle, Pa., October 7, 1889.

SWARTHMORE.

It is again my pleasant duty to acquaint the fraternity at large with the condition and prospects of the youngest chapter, and it is indeed encouraging news I am able to give. Pennsylvania Kappa has graduated her first alumni members, and has for the first time enjoyed the return of her sons to renew the old ties at the beginning of the college year.

We lost seven of our fourteen members. Three, Brothers Cummins, Harvey and Pyle, by graduation, and four of the undergraduate members, Brothers Berdan, '90; Dibert and Coale, '91, and Lewis, '92, have left college to go into business for themselves. Our band of seven was strong, however, and although in our situation active canvassing and indiscriminate rushing of men is not necessary, we promptly set to work to pick out from among the student body such men as we thought would be creditable to the chapter. As a result of these careful methods, and a strict adherence to our purpose of making a Phi Kappa Psi membership a very high college honor, I am able to introduce William E. Sweet, '90, of Colorado Springs, Col., and Robert Caldwell Manning, '93, of Trenton, N. J., as new members. Thus our chapter number is increased to nine men, and should we initiate all who would desire it we might have nine times nine. Our old policy of carefulness will be maintained, however, and our brothers may rest assured that when they meet a Swarthmore Phi Psi they will meet a worthy one.

Our new men are valuable acquisitions in every way. Brother Sweet, besides being one of the most generally respected men in the college, is one of

the best athletes in Pennsylvania, having been a winner in many contests. Brother Manning is a scion of a well-known Trenton family, and has also won considerable athletic distinction. Their initiation has created "considerable favorable comment in college.

The outlook for the college is very bright, the freshman class starting out with over sixty members. While we miss the experienced counsel and commanding presence of Ex-President Magill, we are confident that in Doctor Appleton we have a man who will do credit to the college in many ways. Dr. Magill returns next year to take a professorship, and acting president Appleton will probably be made his permanent successor.

Another good step to be noticed is the improvement in the personnel of the undergraduate body. Alumni professors and others who have known the institution for years, say that the general high tone and refinement which has characterized Swarthmore for years, was never so apparent as in the new class. This is a source of gratification to our members, as it means more eligible material for fraternity men.

Your correspondent, with Brothers Clothier, Ketcham and Temple, was with the foot ball team on its recent trip to Bucknell University and State College. We had a fine time at Bucknell, the home of Penna. Gamma, the boys there turning out for our entertainment in a way that made us glad we were Phi Psis. We saw Brother Gretzinger in his new roll of business manager of the University, and he looked very "knowing" and business like. Gamma gave every evidence of prosperity. At the State College our men were nicely treated, especially by the members of B Θ Π, who entertained us very hospitably.

Upon the occasion of initiation of Brother Manning we had a very pleasant visit from Bro. J. H. Haslam, Bucknell, '90, and Charles S. Walker, '89, Bucknell, now at the Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester. We enjoyed their stay very much.

Brother Clothier has resigned the foot ball captaincy and Brother Ketcham has been elected in his stead. Brother Ketcham has also been chosen secretary of the Eunomian Literary Society and treasurer of the Athletic Association. Brothers Clark and Temple are respectively vice-presidents of the Eunomian and Scientific Societies, and Brother McConnell holds the same office in the senior class.

As will be seen by our Personals, our alumni are all busy. With cordial greetings to Phi Psis everywhere.

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

Swarthmore College, Pa., October 15, 1889.

CORNELL.

Having but just received our September SHIELD it is hard to realize that another letter is due so soon again.

Saturday, October 5th, Cornell played her first game of foot ball for the season, and defeated Bucknell 66-0. October 12th we meet Lafayette. On the Bucknell team were Brothers Blackwood and Tustin, who came in time to be present at our first swing of the season.

Two freshmen, William Hisey from Los Angeles, Cal., and Fred. Hall, of Lockport, being the new brothers I have the pleasure of introducing.

We received a letter from Governor Foraker not long ago, saying that a large photograph was now on its way. Brother Foraker evidently has not forgotten New York A.

We have fitted up our chapter house this year quite a little, and now have a most pleasant home where brother Phi Psis are always welcome.

Brother Holmes, '90, is not coming back this year, having entered an architect's office in New York. He made us a short visit at the beginning of the term. We will all miss him.

Brother Ludlow, '89, has returned to his home in Springfield, Ohio.

E. H. HULBERT.

Ithaca, N. Y., October 11, 1889.

HOBART COLLEGE.

It is again our pleasant duty to greet the Editor of THE SHIELD and our sister chapters, and to announce the fact that we send this greeting under most auspicious circumstances; for seldom has the college year begun at Hobart with brighter prospects for the future, and our chapter was never in a more prosperous condition.

Eight new men have been secured by vigorous work, and are now Phi Psis of whom we feel we have reason to be proud. They are A. W. Bretwick, '92, Rochester, N. Y.; G. W. Davenport, Washington, D. C.; L. P. Franklin, Albion, N. Y.; E. G. Nugent, Waterloo, N. Y.; W. M. Pegram, New York City; E. J. Randall, Austin, Ill.; G. W. Thomas, North Keys, Md.; and F. S. White, Buffalo, N. Y., all '93. They are all good men, and several of them were zealously "rushed" by other fraternities.

A larger class than usual entered college this year, and we can say without boasting that we have had our choice of men.

Brother Slade has re-entered college. He first entered with '90, but eye trouble compelled him to leave off studying for a while. He is a jolly good fellow, and we are glad that we are to have him with us once more.

Brother Whitwell, who was out of college the latter part of last year, has also come back. He was with us, however, all the year, passing the time in leisure at his home in Geneva.

We miss but two familiar faces; those of Brothers Pegram and Crowe. Brother Pegram graduated with the highest honors of his class. He was valedictorian and was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. He was also awarded the Greek, the first White and the second Cobb essay prizes. He was a loyal and enthusiastic brother and we miss him much. Brother Crowe is studying theology with Bishop Paret at Baltimore. "Korax," too, will be missed and his memory cherished.

Class and college elections have taken place and we have been honored, as usual, with any amount of offices. Three of the four newly elected class presidents are Phi Psis: Brother German, of '90, Brother McPherson, of '92,

and Brother Davenport, of '93. Besides this, Brother Perkins is vice-president of '91, Brother Whitwell, secretary of '92, and Brother White, historian of '93. At the college election Brother German was made President of the Navy, and Brother Kirtland, Chairman of the Library Committee, and other brothers were elected to scarcely less important positions.

We had our annual reunion at commencement, and a pleasant one it was. Brothers Converse, Blanchet, Bear, Flood, Mowry, and Slade were with us. They are all most enthusiastic alumni. There was no need for us to refresh their memory or to arouse their enthusiasm.

Mr. Lathrop, a recent graduate of Harvard highly recommended by Professor Childs, has been elected by the trustees, Horace White Professor of the English Language and Literature. This addition to the faculty strengthens greatly a hitherto comparatively weak department at Hobart. This year the senior class inaugurated an innovation in college customs. It was decided that the freshmen could not carry canes unless they should win two out of three contests—a cane rush, a ball game, and a tug of war. The rush alone had formerly decided the question. The ball game was won by the new men by a score of 13 to 10, and the rush also in a very short time by virtue of their superior numbers.

My letter is already too long and I must stop. With best wishes for THE SHIELD and all the chapters.

JOHN C. KIRTLAND, JR.

Geneva, N. Y., October 9, 1889.

MADISON.

To-day closes the first month of the new college year. I can truthfully say that it has been a successful month for New York E. We have been fortunate in securing men both in regard to numbers and to quality. We have initiated eight freshmen, thus making our active membership twenty-three. The names of our new brothers are as follows: D. D. Harmon, R. I. McLellan, H. J. McAllister, B. H. Pettes, P. H. Smith, A. E. Harriman, W. J. Morey, and E. Powell. We trust and believe that they are all worthy of the name of the brotherhood they have taken upon themselves.

It seems that I was just a trifle premature in my statement last month that cane rushing was a thing of the past at Madison. Ninety-three, inspired by numbers and by a certain freshmanic zeal, which is perennial, bought class canes. No true, well-bred, level-headed sophomore could stand that. As a result there was a rush a few evenings ago—one of those indiscriminate mud-squabbles so delightful to the upper classmen and theologians. Owing to a large superiority in the numbers of the freshmen and their general tendency to hang to their canes, the sophs were defeated. But this did not end it. Arrangements are now making for an organized rush on the campus. There seems to be nothing really bad about a cane rush, and it certainly stirs the sluggish blood of the sedate upper classmen, so we say, let them rush. It will be a pleasant event to remember when in after years they look back on the successes and failures of their college life. Every undertaking which a class

enters upon unanimously seems to bind it together. This firm union is one of the most pleasing things of a college course.

Bro. D. A. MacMurray, '90, is editor-in-chief of the *Madisonensis*. Brother Potter, '91, is one of the associate editors. There are only five men on the board, and these gain their position by competition, so we think we are well represented.

In conclusion, I would say that New York E has never been so strong as now. She has strength of numbers and strength of purpose. The latter is indispensable to a live chapter. When a chapter reaches such a position that it looks down and thinks it has no more heights to climb, it is already falling backward. A steady purpose, and that a high one, should animate every chapter of our honored Phi Kappa Psi.

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, N. Y., October 10, 1889.

HAMPDEN - SIDNEY.

Virginia Gamma sends greeting to all her sister chapters, at this the beginning of another session, as we begin anew the drama of college life. It is with some diffidence that I receive the quill from Brother Stuart, who, during the time he had charge of it, wielded it so effectively and with such great success that his successors will have to exert themselves considerably to maintain the reputation which his genius has lent our chapter in this respect. We feel, as we perform this task, that it is indeed a great and inestimable privilege, and yet we recognize that perhaps no more difficult task was ever imposed upon a set of young men; for THE SHIELD is no common organ of a common press, but the medium through which those lofty sentiments of fraternal sympathy that tend to strengthen the glorious tie of brotherhood are communicated and interchanged. Are you then surprised that we regard our position as a lofty one, our duty as imperative, our responsibility as weighty? Nay, surely not; for we trust that there is not a brother of our noble order who does not fully realize the responsible position he holds as being a member of our fraternity. His example, his actions, his performance of duty are all objects of scrutiny and careful examination of those around him, and with him rests the reputation of his chapter.

As our shattered band gathered back this session at its venerable Alma Mater, before whose stolid walls time itself will wither, and found on the roll being called that to so many names there came no responsive "here," our hearts shed tears of regret that the missing ones were with us no more.

Brother Osborne will probably be transplanted to Virginia Alpha, and Bobbie Watson now seeks his fortune in a bank—a real bona fide bank.

Brothers Irwin, Friend and Q. Graham, of the seminary, have all left us to carry on the gospel where the Master willed. Bro. Q. Graham paid us a short visit last week. We were of course overjoyed that he should honor us with a visit, but lo! what was our surprise when on leaving he took from our midst one of Virginia's fairest daughters. He will soon set his sails for a foreign land. May joy and happiness crown his conjugal bliss.

I have already delayed much too long telling you of our new initiates. It now gives me pleasure to introduce to you as members of our fraternity; Bro. David Graham, class '92; Bro. N. M. Martin, class '92; and Bro. R. Reynolds, class '93. The latter is a first cousin to the well known "Josh."

The next meeting, after the above brothers were initiated, we had the pleasure of adding to our list of initiates the name of Bro. Stuart Bresee. We trust, nay, we feel sure that all of these brothers will prove worthy $\Phi K \Psi$.

The prospects for our chapter are as bright now as they have been at any time since we have been members of it. In "rushing" men we never seek success by casting any aspersions upon our rivals; for such conduct we deem, to say the least of it, unbecoming in a gentleman and ungenerous in a fellow student, a fact, which, unfortunate as it may be, all do not seem fully to recognize.

Besides Brothers Saunders, Stover and Tucker Graham in the seminary, we have a most excellent club-mate in the person of Brother Junkin, who comes to us from Virginia Beta, and to whom Virginia Gamma extends a most cordial welcome.

LEWIS HOLLADAY.

Hampden-Sidney, Va., October 7, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

South Carolina Alpha has opened the fall campaign with ten men. Last year was by far the most prosperous the chapter has ever known, and the hard work we did then has been the means of placing us in our rightful position, at the head of the Greek world here. Neck and neck with our rivals who had had three to four years start of us, we finally fought our way past them all, and occupy at last, without question, the leading place in the race.

Brothers Barber, Donaldson, and Grimké graduated in June, Brother Parker left to go to Annapolis, and Bro. J. W. Weeks has gone into business. Though weakened by the loss of these men, our chapter is full of good working material, and our goat has already performed on the handsomest man among the freshmen. We beg to introduce Bro. Geo. S. Legaré, of Charleston, who so captivated our rivals that they all said they would be glad to have him, etc., but the admiration did not prove mutual, and Bro. L. felt constrained to find some method of ridding himself of their attentions. He is not bothered with them at present.

Other crowds here have taken in one to three men each, but these have all been gotten with little or no rushing, and the tug of war is over some three or four picked men that are still in doubt. We may have more to say of these later. The entering material, as a whole, is poor and will hardly develop more than fifteen or twenty "flies" at the outside. κA and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ have taken no one so far, and the aspect seems a trifle blue in that direction. The κA s lost ten men in June, and are beginning to feel the effect of their refusal to recognize mystic brethren from other chapters. As to quantity, there is a very even division this year—an average of eight to ten men in each crowd—but the varieties in quality have rather a more extended range.

A few words about commencement will not be out of order. '89's Class

Day was the most interesting feature of the week. Brother Barber was orator of the day, and covered himself with a bigger sheet of glory than ever. His address was a striking exposition of the greatness of '89, and converted all who had been foolish enough to have any doubts on the subject. Brother Grimké became a prophet for the occasion, and painted the destinies of '89 in terms more or less glowing, according to the nature of the subject and its susceptibility to future development. Brother Donaldson, of the Committee on Arrangements, saw everything well done, and the efforts of all the brothers were liberally rewarded. The President's reception was, of course, one of the big things of the week. Commencement day proper excited more interest than usual, and a very large crowd were present. Brother Barber took B. A. and LL. B., and delivered a very forcible speech on the "International Copyright Law." Brother Donaldson took a B. S. Brother Grimké's speech on "The Way out of the Wilderness," contained some arguments on the negro question which attracted more attention North than South, "for a prophet is not without honor save in his own country." He took A. B. and A. M., and has returned to college this fall and entered the law school.

Commencement was fittingly closed by the University Ball, which was held in the hall of the House of Representatives on Wednesday night. The great ball room, crowded with the beauty and chivalry of the State, and sparkling with the elegant and striking costumes of fair maidens from seashore and mountain, was a scene of rare brilliancy that even Columbia has not seen for many a day.

'89 feels proud of the brilliant close to an honored and distinguished career, and leaves an example for coming classes to follow that they will do well to strive to emulate.

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Columbia, S. C., October 14, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

The September SHIELD was interesting as usual, and although we have little of interest to communicate we desire to be represented in the October number.

Wooster opened with the usual number of new students, and all the fraternity men are busily seeking the diamonds in the rough. But there are scarcely enough diamonds to go around, and each chapter realizes how convenient it would be if some other chapter would kindly die; but, alas, we have all come to stay.

Phi Gamma Delta opened with 10 men; Delta Tau Delta, 10; Beta Theta Pi, 7; Phi Delta Theta, 8; and Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Chi, and Phi Kappa Psi each 6.

Two men are already pledged to us, and we hope to introduce some initiates before long. Your correspondent has had the pleasure of visiting Ohio A and Δ, and was handsomely received. An initiation was in progress at the latter chapter, and for royal bumping Columbus certainly takes the palm. We renewed our acquaintance with Ohio B at the alumni banquet, and found the boys

as congenial as ever. Also at that rendezvous of students, Chautauqua, we met a number of Phi Psis. There was quite a family gathering from Allegheny, including no less than nine of our boys and about as many fair champions of Kappa Kappa Gamma, whose golden key was evidently on very familiar terms with our shield.

In conclusion, we hope the fraternity will ever continue in prosperity and progress, and that no brother will ever pass us by when in the vicinity of Wooster.

I. C. FALCONER.

Wooster, Ohio, October 14, 1889.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

With the events of commencement week Ohio State University closed the most successful year of its existence. Sunday, June 16th, the baccalaureate sermon was preached by the president, Rev. W. H. Scott. Monday evening the commencement exercises of the literary societies were held, Rev. A. A. Willitts, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., delivering the address. Tuesday was class-day. $\Phi K \Psi$ was well represented by Bro. H. P. Horton, who read the class poem. Wednesday occurred the commencement exercises proper. Dr. J. G. Schurman, of Cornell, delivered the address on, "The Centenary Movement of Thought," one of the finest productions the students of the Ohio State University ever had the good fortune to hear. The graduating class numbered twenty-seven. Ohio Δ 's representatives were Bros. H. F. Miller and H. P. Horton.

Monday evening, after the closing exercises of the literary societies, we repaired to our hall; and as a result, allow me to introduce Bro. Gus. T. Peters, of Columbus, class of '93, and a Phi Psi all through. Wednesday evening we held our annual "blow out" in the rooms of the Commercial Club, at which about twenty brothers were present. Bro. George Dun acted as toastmaster, calling on different brothers who responded feelingly on subjects always interesting to $\Phi \Psi$'s.

When the year closed we thought we would have ten men to commence the fight with this fall, but Bros. R. N. Hubbard and E. D. Howard left us. Brother Hubbard enters Johns Hopkins to take a special course in chemistry. Brother H. ably represented Ohio Δ on the *Makio* last year, and some of the students are unkind enough to insinuate that he left on that account; but after reading what Brother Van Cleve has to say about our annual you need not believe this. And, by the way, the editors are not a little pleased at Brother Van's praise of the *Makio*.

Brother Howard has accepted a position in the I. B. & W. ticket office at this place, and with Brother Miller, who is at work in the city, tries to meet with us every Saturday evening.

Brother Horton is teaching in the High School at Wapakoneta, Ohio.

Another loss that the chapter feels much is that of Brother Smart, who left Columbus to accept a position on the *Cleveland Plaindealer*.

But though numbering only eight members at present, Ohio Δ stands at

the top and expects to stay there. We now have several men in tow whom we hope to introduce to you in the near future.

Bro. R. K. Beach is president of Alcyone Literary Society, and in the battalion of cadets Bro. L. F. Kiesewetter is major, Bro. Percy Martin, first lieutenant, and Bro. Gus. Peters, second lieutenant.

Last Saturday occurred an event that will long be remembered by the brothers and their lady friends. Bright and early we started hickory-nutting. After a pleasant ride of about eighteen miles, during which we had two encounters with the rulers of the land, who objected to our helping ourselves to nuts, we stopped at a grove and enjoyed a splendid dinner set out by the young ladies. Then, after gathering nuts for a time (we will not say how many we got for fear of not being believed,) we returned to town, stopping at the home of Brother Peters, where we enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Peters. After supper the evening was pleasantly spent in dancing and singing college songs.

In the death of Prof. Alfred H. Welsh the University suffered a great loss. Professor Welsh was really the founder of the English department of the University; for before he came the instruction was very meager. He left it one of the best in the country. Professor Chalmers, of Eureka College, Illinois, succeeds him.

Professor Knight, of the department of History and Political Science, and Miss Williams, Professor of French, are studying in Europe for a year. Professor Knight's place is filled by Professor Queen, a graduate of Princeton, and during the college year '88-9, Professor of History and Political Science at the Pennsylvania Military Academy. Miss Williams place is filled by Prof. B. L. Bowen, a graduate of the University of Rochester. From there he went to Johns Hopkins, where in '88 he received the degree of Ph. D. He was assistant professor in French at Johns Hopkins last year.

With best wishes to our sister chapters and THE SHIELD, we close, extending to all Phi Psis who may pass this way a hearty invitation to look us up.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, October 12, 1889.

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Many changes were apparent to the old students as they returned in September to their old "tramping ground." The campus had a new and much improved appearance; the old college fence, which had been the object of so many Halloween schemes, had been removed; the walks had been put in good condition, and everything had the appearance of a new order of things.

Acting President John is very much liked by all, and if the choice of president was left to the students, he would undoubtedly be placed in permanent control.

Dr. Baker, Professor of Chemistry, who was away on leave of absence last year, has returned.

The opening of school found only about ten $\Phi \Psi$ s on the ground instead of

the eighteen that we expected, but that fact probably proved a blessing in disguise, for we then felt the necessity of working harder. The results have been more favorable than we have anticipated, for we have initiated three new men and pledged two others, one a freshman and the other in the preparatory school.

We are much pleased to introduce to the fraternity at large Oscar M. Stewart, of Kansas City, Mo.; Fred. H. Fitch, of Kansas City, Mo.; Chas. L. Watson, of Winchester, Ind., and Edgar S. Porter, of Channahon, Ill. Brother Porter was pledged last year. Brothers Stewart and Fitch are members of the sophomore class and Porter and Watson are freshmen.

We now number eighteen initiated men. Our strongest rivals here—Beta Theta Pi and Delta Kappa Epsilon—have done almost nothing, and seem rather demoralized. The latter fraternity is reaping the fruits of its own sowing. They have always boasted of the few number of propositions which they have lost, and to make a record in that line have resorted to all kinds of tactics to get the person they desired to virtually pledge himself before they would extend a formal proposition. Such is the high sense of honor displayed by our "Favorite Societies."

Almost our entire chapter from Wabash was here yesterday to witness the game of ball between Wabash and De Pauw. We enjoyed the visit very much, and hope our visiting brothers were equally well pleased, notwithstanding the fact that their favorite ball team was defeated. Come again, brothers.

We were also favored with a visit from Bro. Jas. E. Watson, class '86. Brother Watson is now located at Winchester, Ind., and is Prosecuting Attorney for Randolph County. May fortune smile on all.

CHARLES G. HOUTS.

Greencastle, Ind., October 12, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

Since the last issue of our fraternity journal we have the great pleasure of introducing to THE SHIELD and the sister chapters, Brothers Teter and Hines, from Noblesville, both freshmen, the latter holding the honor scholarship from that place. In the spiking of these two brothers we had to meet as rivals four other fraternities. All of these we conquered by our merits, and now our chapter is strongly backed by five scholarly freshmen and enthusiastic Phi Psis.

And now that the spiking season has about ended, we have settled down into good fraternity work. Our "*Tattler*," a chapter paper original with us, is a source of much pleasure, and excites a lively and untold interest in our meetings. This we have revived, and we now expect to expose the lives of some of the brothers at its next reading. Subscribe at once for the "*Tattler*." We think this an excellent way of enlivening a meeting, as it gives spice and enthusiasm. We recommend it.

We have to announce with great regret the sickness of two of our brothers, viz.: Truscott and Butterworth. Scarcely has Brother Truscott entered upon his college duties, when he was taken sick with typhoid fever and returned to his home in New Harmony.

We are glad to report that Brother Truscott is better at this writing.

Brother Truscott had not left when Brother Butterworth was taken sick with the same fever, and he also left for his home in La Porte. As we have said something about the "*Tattler*," it might be well to add that Brother Butterworth, by his original wit, is a whole "*Tattler*" in himself. Both brothers expect to be in next term.

The machinery is on hand now for our second degree, and we expect to be ready to turn out skeletons in a few days. All orders receive prompt attention.

Brother O'Donnell, one of our seniors, has the editorship in chief of the *Student* this year. He is well fitted for the position.

Work on our new library building is progressing rapidly, and will probably be ready to be occupied by the spring term. It is a building 150 by 40 feet of solid stone, and to be erected at cost of \$60,000. The lower floor is for the library and the upper for the law school.

With best wishes to all sister chapters and a crowning success for THE SHIELD.

WILL F. MORRIS.

Bloomington, Ind., October 13, 1889.

WABASH COLLEGE.

One month has passed of the new college year and Indiana Γ has not been idle. She has three new men to crown her efforts and one pledged man. Before we go further with this letter we would bring forward our latest acquisitions and introduce them to the brothers at large. On September 14th we initiated Bro. James Armstrong, '93, of Jeffersonville, Indiana. Brother Armstrong was the honor man of the Jeffersonville High School last June. On the same night Bro. Edward Patton, '93, of Paris, Illinois, was made acquainted with the mysteries of the frat. On September 21st Bro. Harry Ferrel, of Paola, Indiana, class '93, was initiated. These men, we are justly entitled to say, are the choice men of all the new students. Our pledged man is the best man in the class of '94. We can well afford to congratulate ourselves on our success.

We have commenced the improvements on our hall; enlarged it until it is the largest hall in the city; repapered, repainted and made many other improvements. We intend to keep on until we have the finest hall in Wabash at least. The college faculty has been increased by two new members, Professor McCord, class of '87, and Professor Evans, class of '86. Both promise to be valuable acquisitions.

Wabash has been very successful in base ball this fall, winning two games out of three. The last game was with Greencastle and our entire chapter were the guests of Indiana Alpha.

Bro. Clarence Hills, class of '76, of Troy, Ohio, visited us a few days ago and spent a few hours with us. He lectured at the Y. M. C. A. meeting on Sunday. Nothing pleases us better than for our Φ \K Ψ to visit us.

A foot ball team is being organized, and Wabash will hold her old position at the head of the athletics of the State. Everything points to a prosperous

year for Wabash College and Indiana Γ . We have more students than ever before, and many good men are among them.

We are to have a new frat here soon, and rumor has it the Delta Tau Delta's. It will be organized by a branch of barb organization. They will start with sixteen new men. There is room here for them, and Indiana Γ welcomes them in advance. The barb organization, after standing for five years, have at last given up and broken their organization. This leaves the field free to the fraternities.

We have a chapter house; no one but $\Phi K \Psi$ are allowed. Last year several other frat men boarded there, but this year all the places were engaged much to their discomfiture.

Brother Hanna, '89, is studying law in this city with Bro. John Buford. This leaves him with us for another year at least.

Brother Bloomer, '91, entered Princeton this year with fine grades.

Brother Luther, '92, did not return to college, but is studying law in Brazil with Luther & Matson.

Brother Coleman, '91, is not in college this year, but will return next year. He is now city editor of the New Albany *Daily Truth-Teller*.

Brother Perrin, '92, is with us again. He was not in college last year. He will only remain this year and then enter Yale next fall. He was initiated 1887.

We have now eleven men, viz.: Senior, Brother Markle; juniors, Brothers Crouse and McFaddin; sophomores, Brothers Perry, Goldsberry, and Dole; freshmen, Brothers McCulloch, Armstrong, Patton, Ferrell, and Perrin.

We close hoping all sister chapters have been as successful as have we.

J. S. MCFADDIN.

Crawfordsville, Ind., October 11, 1889.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha extends a host of hearty greetings to her brothers at large, with the determination to do her part in advancing the standard of the fraternity throughout the year. Let us one and all put our shoulders to the wheel and by combined effort make this the brightest year of our history.

As a chapter we are unusually enthusiastic. Never in the remembrance of the active members of the chapter has there existed a deeper feeling of brotherly love and unanimity: We are glad to report a healthful enthusiasm in chapter life as well as in those departments which bear more directly on the object and end of a college course.

It is with great pleasure that we introduce to the $\Phi \Psi$ world our freshman "triplet,"—Bros. E. L. Harvey, J. Yount, and J. F. Oates. The two former are the development of preparatory pledglings, while the latter makes our acquaintance as a freshman.

In numbers we rank as follows: Seniors, 4; juniors, 2; sophomores, 5; freshmen, 3.

Bro. Harry Bucks, ex-'91, is again with us as a member of '92. Brother Henry is out this term, but we expect both him and Brother Dempsey, who left last year, again with us next term.

The officers of the chapter are as follows: Brother Grier, Brother Fawcett, Brother Maltman, Brother Moulding, Bro. J. L. Alabaster. Bro. J. L. Alabaster was elected president of '92.

The freshman class this year numbers but sixty, but the preparatory department is overflowing, and promises to make up the deficiency next year.

Athletics at N. W. U. are in a prosperous condition. Our invincible nine are resting on the glory of the past season, but developing their muscles and appetites with the frisky foot ball. Tennis continues to be popular. '93 is rather cautious in regard to a cane rush; in fact, she is not positive that she cares to sport a cane anyway—rather incongruous in a female.

While East this summer your correspondent dropped in for a few moments on our Syracuse boys, and found them a very congenial set, imbued with the true $\Phi \Psi$ spirit, and well up on topics of fraternity interest.

Not less encouraging was his impression of Michigan Alpha, whom he *surprised* one morning before train-time in their chapter house, much as Gabriel himself might. I doubt not if some of them confused the two identities. A few facts will be found in the list of personals.

F. A. ALABASTER.

Evanston, Ills., October 8, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Wisconsin Alpha opens the year with seventeen names on her roll. This includes Bro. Nat. Robinson, '88, who has returned to the law school, and Bros. E. P. and B. L. Worden who have been out of college two years. Our loss last year by graduation was ten, but with these men and our share of the freshman haul we shall make it very nearly good.

Our initiates this year are thus far Messrs. John H. Moss, of Milwaukee; Charles H. Doyon, of Madison, both '93, and Howard Brown, '90, an ex-Phi Delta Theta.

The freshman class this year numbers two hundred and forty, making a total of over 800 students in the University.

Bro. T. J. Turner has been elected Professor of American History, and is our third representative in the faculty. He graduated in '84 and took a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins.

We recently received a handsome present from one of our alumni, Bro. Thos. Gill, in the shape of a six-oared shell. We have excellent facilities for boating here, and this will undoubtedly awaken a lively interest in this form of athletics, which has heretofore been neglected by the students.

A short time since we gave a party in our chapter parlors, which was pronounced the swellest affair in a fraternity way ever given here. There were about twenty-five couples present.

The annual inter-fraternity party, which has been the great social event for a number of years, is to be discontinued. The reason assigned is that the faculty is unwilling to give the hall to one class of students to the exclusion of others. Our house, No. 620 State Street, is always open to all brothers who may happen to wander this way.

CHARLES H. STODDARD.

Madison, Wis., October 8, 1889.

BELOIT COLLEGE.

Wisconsin Gamma starts out for the year in a chapter house, the first one in Beloit College. Last spring the matter of a house was discussed, and at first did not seem practicable; but after having been seriously thought of it was hard to let the matter drop without an attempt of some kind, and so we looked about to see what could be done in this line. It was owing to the efforts of Brothers Waite and Treat that we came into possession of the house we now occupy, and in getting the same we scored a victory over one of our rivals, Sigma Chi, who had tried to obtain the same house.

The house was engaged last spring and the lessors were to put it in order during the summer. When we came back this fall we found everything fixed up in elegant style. The rooms were newly papered and carpeted, and furnished some in marble-topped walnut and others in polished oak sets, and everything in tip-top order. We have seven rooms upstairs, five large double ones and two good-sized single rooms, and large parlors down stairs. Besides the house itself there are extensive grounds belonging to it, adorned with oak and hickory trees, and, since Wisconsin Gamma has had her habitation in the place, with here and there a tennis court. On the whole, we consider ourselves pretty well fixed, and are better able than ever before to entertain any brothers who may come our way.

We number at present nine active members, loyal and true. Two of our boys from the class of '92 did not return this fall—Brothers Ellenson and Breitzman. From the class of '93 we took our pick, and secured three of its best men, whom we hereby introduce to the fraternity at large. These brothers are T. M. Blackman, of Whitewater, Wis., and Alvin and Ingle Carpenter, of Beloit. Their initiation occurred the first Friday night of the term, and so was the first to grace the chapter house. We might say here, by the way, that we have a large garret where we keep the goat and his diet of rusty nails, shoe pegs, etc., and that as a result of his fine quarters he was in exceptionally good trim that night and did his work up brown. All these three men were "pulled" hard by the other frats.

We have two or three other men "on the string" at present, but as yet can say nothing definitely as to the outcome. Beta Theta Pi has initiated one man from '93, and Sigma Chi also has secured one.

S. M. SMITH.

Beloit, Wis., October 9, 1889.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The September SHIELD, with uniformly flattering reports all along the line, has just reached us, the most gratifying of all the news being the prospect of a revived Illinois Beta.

Iowa Alpha was among the delinquents, but her scribe now hastens to say that she is "up and doing." When a few months ago we lost five of our strongest members by graduation, and the return of several others was a matter of extreme uncertainty, it was with feelings little short of despondency that we

contemplated the future. Not only are we back to a man, but our prosperity exceeds the fondest hopes cherished by any brother in June.

Not to mention claims on others, our goat has already proved herself so efficient as to call four of the choicest new comers her own. This is representative of so many victories over our rivals, and we therefore take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large Brothers Jas. H. Rothrock, Jr., George C. Cook, C. B. Smeltzer, and Wm. Larrabee, the last named the son of Governor Larrabee. All of them are typical and enthusiastic Phi Psis, who would reflect credit and honor upon any fraternity. Upon such we may safely throw the mantle of responsibility for the chapter's future prosperity.

Not only as to new men,—for we have so far initiated as many as all the other fraternities combined—but also in numerical strength do we head the list. The following is the present membership of the several fraternities represented here: $\Delta T \Delta$, 10; $B \Theta \Pi$, 11; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 6; $\Phi K \Psi$, 13.

Bro. Carl Stutsman, who was out of school last year, is back with the flock again, and was chosen managing editor of the *Vidette-Reporter*, our weekly college paper. Likewise Bro. Frank Miller was elected senior editor of the law department, this, with C. A. Stutsman elected last year, making three Phi Psis on that paper. For years it has been our ambition to be represented on the "V.-R.," for carrying with it considerable influence, it is the best class recognition of merit. We have now more than attained that which we coveted, there being but one other fraternity man on the editorial staff.

Nor have we entirely neglected our social duties. On Wednesday last, E. R. Meek, who graduated from the Law Department last June, dropped in upon us on his way to Ft. Worth, Texas, and our suggestion of giving an informal dance in his honor that evening proved a sufficient inducement for him to stay over. Regarding the success of the party, it is only necessary to say that it was "up to the standard." Ned's jovial nature has not yet suffered a whit from business responsibilities, in fact, when alumni are thus again in our midst it is difficult to realize that they are students no more.

But we must not too much trespass on space in this number, for every $\Phi \Psi$ goat will at this time insist upon heralding its conquests. Never was our chapter in better condition than at present. On such reflections it is with satisfaction that we await "events to come."

H. W. TECHENTIN.

Iowa City, Iowa, October 9, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

From the North, South, East and West the $\Phi \Psi$ s of Minn. B have returned to college. We miss one or two familiar faces. Brother Phillips has decided not to complete his course. Brother Erf has not returned from Ohio; however, we have received an addition, and are glad to take this opportunity to introduce our new brother, Floyd Triggs of '93. This makes three brothers of this great $\Phi \Psi$ family. We are always glad to add to the consanguinity table.

Brother Jorgens had to return home at the beginning of the term on account of illness. We are glad to say he is now with us again fast recovering his customary health.

Our autumn election puts Brother Baily at the head of affairs, and commits the financial matters to Brother Purdy.

We very much regret to relate that three of our brothers during the last few months have had to mourn the loss of relatives dear to them. Brother Purdy lost his mother during the summer, Brother Lommon, his father, and more recently Brother Phillips one of his brothers. They had the sincere sympathy of every member of the chapter in their affliction.

Since the opening of college we have had the pleasure of receiving visits from Brother Smith, of Mich. A; Brother Collins, of Wis. A; Brother Miner, of Mich. A; and Brother Ferree, of Penn. B. The last two gentlemen have entered the College of Medicine here.

Elections at the University are generally pretty quiet. As a rule, $\Phi \Psi$ manages to get her share, but this time, in common with all the other frats, we got entirely "left." The worm will turn at last, and the barbs, after years of speechifying on the subject of unbiased elections, after repeated journalistic articles on the iniquity of combinations, after vehemently denouncing caucuses and wire-pulling, at length and of a sudden abandoned their high pretensions, forgot their much-vaunted morality, threw aside all scruples and combined into a gigantic confederation, which they were pleased to call the Haut-Bean Club. By sheer force of numbers they took the reins of government into their own hands, and distributed the political honors among their leaders. The officers of the senior and junior classes, together with the participants in the class day exercises are, almost to a man, barbs. History shows that it is sometimes easier to obtain power than to use it wisely. *Nous verrons.*

Our banquet and alumni association seem to be maturing. We hope to have both settled next month.

The predictions that we made in our June letter to THE SHIELD, as regards improvements at the University, have nearly all been verified. Four new buildings have been or will soon be completed, a great increase has taken place in the number of students, increased efficiency is apparent in all departments, and we expect a very successful year.

THEO. G. SOARES.

Minneapolis, Minn., October 8, 1889.

Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA B.

'57. Sidney G. Brock, of Macon, Missouri, has been appointed Chief of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

'79. J. Frank Graff has his three boys in training for *Alma Mater*. Their names are Peter, James and John.

'82. Chas. S. Duncan, Esq., was married to Miss Annie Barkley, daughter of Rev. T. J. Barkley, Gettysburg, Pa., on June 20th.

At the recent dedication of the new college building, when \$20,000 was to be raised, Bro. Daniel R. Miller, '56, who had previously given \$5,000, promptly responded with an additional \$2,500.

'83. Glad to greet R. M. Linton, Esq., recently. His death was reported at the time of the Johnstown flood, but he escaped, although narrowly and with great loss, and now looks as well as ever.—*Pa. College Monthly*.

'57. The inaugural address of L. A. Gotwald, D. D., as one of the professors in the theological department of Wittenberg College, has been published. It is characterized by the clearness of thought, positive views, and forcible presentation.

'67. W. E. Parson, D. D., of Washington, D. C., spent August in the Shawmut Congregational Church, Boston. On the 25th his subject was "Some Facts for the Skeptical," and an outline of his sermon is given in the *Boston Globe* of the 26th.

Brother Stahley, who for several years has been associate editor on the *Pennsylvania College Monthly*, was succeeded by Rev. C. R. Trowbridge, '82. Brother S. being now a member of the faculty of the college, found the additional editorial duties more than he cared to assume.

PENNSYLVANIA θ.

Bro. J. L. Miner, '78, died a few weeks since at his home in Wilkesbarre, Pa. Brother Miner was one of the most promising physicians of the city and his loss will be greatly felt.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

A number of friends were present yesterday evening at the ceremony which united in matrimony Charles S. Pardoe, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Miss Edith M. Harmon, daughter of H. C. Harmon, chief of the law division, second auditor's office. C. W. Messner was best man and Miss Ella Nichols bridesmaid. The knot was tied by Rev. H. C. Pardoe.—*Washington Evening Star, Sept. 27, 1889.*

PENNSYLVANIA K.

'89. Ellis M. Harvey, B. S., is a student in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

'90. Frederick T. Berdan is at home at Toledo, Ohio. He spent his summer at Middle Bass Island, Lake Erie.

'90. M. L. Clothier spent a large part of the summer at Jamestown, R. I., where he reports having had an elegant social time.

'89. Alexander G. Cummins, A. B., is a student at the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, New York City.

'92. Ralph Lewis is in the paper manufacturing business not far from Swarthmore. Although Brother Lewis is a "married Phi Psi" he keeps up a great interest in his chapter.

'91. Grant Dibert, of Johnstown, Pa., recently lost his father,—a man who is spoken of as a citizen of the highest order. Brother Dibert's family suffered severely in the late Johnstown disaster. He is now engaged in business at Pittsburgh with bright prospects for a successful future.

'91. William C. Sproul spent part of the summer in Virginia on a horse-back tour in the neighborhood of the Peaks of Otter, Roanoke, and the Natural Bridge. While there he met Brother Judge Balling, of Wytheville, Va., University of Virginia, '58. The Judge is a fine example of the early Phi Psis.

'89. Frederic B. Pyle, B. S., who, with Brothers Cummins and Clothier, was largely responsible for the advent of Pennsylvania Kappa, is interested with his father in a large mercantile business at London Grove, Chester County, Pa. Brother Pyle is the business manager of the four stores belonging to the firm.

PITTSBURGH PHI PSIS.

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 William Yost, attorney at law, 93 Diamond St., founder of Mich. *A.*
 Albert J. Walker, attorney at law, 129 Fifth Ave., Pa. *A.*
 John P. Patterson, attorney at law, 96 Diamond St., Pa. *A.*
 Joseph C. Young, attorney at law, Bakewell Building, Room 74, Pa. *A.*
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 John R. Herron, jr., attorney, 147 Fourth Ave., Illinois *I.*
 Samuel McClay, attorney, 98 Diamond St., Illinois *I.*
 J. Erastus McKelvy, attorney, 153 Fourth Ave., Pa. *Z.*
 David F. Patterson, attorney, 96 Diamond St., Virginia *Δ.*
 John McClaren, attorney, 31 Chatham St., Pa. *A.*
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 Samuel Watson, merchant, Henderson St., Allegheny, Pa. *A.*
 Samuel Giffen, oil business, Pa. *A.*
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Frederick Merrick, Professor of Mathematics, Pittsburgh High School, late professor at Hamlin University, Xenia Female College and People's College, Ohio *A.*

NEW YORK *A.*

'88. Brother O'Brien is teaching at Ames, Nebraska.

'89. Brother Pegram is teaching at the Columbia Institute, New York City.

'91. Brother Mowry is taking a course of study at Rochester University.

'91. Brother Cowles is studying law at his home in Rome, and expects to be soon admitted to the bar.

'91. Brother Fenn has been admitted to the ministry and has charge of a parish at Amenia Union, New York.

'84. Brother Flood has been promoted to the position of Head-Master at De Veaux College, Suspension Bridge.

'82. Brother Bean has been nominated by the Democrats of Ontario County for Justice of Sessions. His election is assured.

'82. Brother Blanchet is doing good work and making his influence felt. He lately re-laid the cornerstone of his church at Mansfield, Pa.

'88. Brother Beers has entered upon his junior year at the Blakeley Divinity School. He made the chapter a call on his way back to Middletown.

'88. Brother Smith, of Shattuck Hall, was visiting Phi Psi friends in Geneva and vicinity during the summer. He too has been promoted to a better position.

Brother Converse, of Pennsylvania Alpha, is the chaplain of the college and instructor in Mental Philosophy, English and the Evidences of Christianity. He has already become very popular among all the students.

The young Democracy of Geneva will be especially gratified in finding in the list of nominees the name of our exemplary young townsman, Charles D. Bean, for Justice of Sessions, who is qualified for a seat on the bench by education and bent of mind for the legal profession.—*Geneva Gazette*, Oct. 11, 1889.

NEW YORK E.

Bro. E. B. Shallow, '88, is principal of the High School at Rahway, New Jersey.

Bro. Frank H. Bennett, '89, is teaching in the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield, Connecticut.

Bro. D. B. Williams, '89, is Professor of Mathematics in Peddie Institute, Hightstown, New Jersey.

Brother Daniels, '89, who for the past two years preached at Galway, N. Y., has returned to finish his course in the seminary.

Bro. W. J. Sholar, '89, has entered the junior class in the Hamilton Theological Seminary.

Bro. L. B. Curtis, '85, is preaching in Suffield, Connecticut, and his wife teaches art in the Suffield Literary Institution.

Brother Billings, '92, is having good success as a singer. He is engaged to lead the choir in Dr. Hayne's church, in Troy, for the coming winter.

MARYLAND A.

'87. Paul J. Dashiell is instructor in Chemistry at Lehigh.

'87. George L. Hendrickson holds the chair of Latin in Colorado College.

'89. J. W. Lazear is attending medical lectures at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York.

'86. Perry M. Hughes has charge of the work in History and Political Economy in the Washington High School.

'89. Ralph Robinson, to whom Maryland Alpha owes so much, is reading law with his father, Judge Robinson, at Centreville.

'87. Herbert M. Brune and Douglas H. Gordon are now members of the Baltimore Bar, while Robert M. McLane, jr., leads his class in the Law Department of the University of Maryland.

SOUTH CAROLINA A.

'91. Bro. J. C. McLure is president of the junior class.

Bro. J. M. Knight is first assistant in Manning Collegiate Institute, Manning, South Carolina.

'91. Bro. J. A. Weeks paid us a flying visit on the 16th, on his way to Atlanta to go into business.

'89. Bro. Hutson Lee has been critically ill of typhoid fever in Charleston for three weeks, but is improving slowly.

'91. Bro. Francis Parker will enter Annapolis in January. We will miss "Herc" more than could be expressed verbally. May his light never grow dim.

'88. Bro. W. R. Cathcart, jr., is elected Fellow of the University, and is with us again this year. He is fast acquiring the skilful manipulation of the giddy fresh.

'89. Brother Barber was with us for several days during the rushing season to lend a hand. He is practicing law in Chester and running a farm besides, and promises to develop into a moderate millionaire in a short while. The account he gave us of the Ex. C. and Western $\Phi \Psi \varsigma$ was particularly interesting.

'86. Brother Finley has been rash enough to get married. Witness the following from the *News and Courier*:

Special: The marriage of Mr. D. E. Finley and Miss Bessie Gist, both of this place in the Presbyterian Church on Thursday afternoon, October 10th, at four o'clock. The Rev. T. R. English performed the ceremony. The groom's best man was Dr. R. L. Douglas, of Chester, and Miss Daisy Gist, a sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid. The ushers were Messrs. H. L. McEaner, T. F. McDow, W. B. DeLoach, and J. S. Brice. The church was beautifully decorated, and a large number of friends were present to witness the ceremony. The happy couple left here on the five o'clock train, amid a shower of rice from their friends, for Asheville, N. C. The groom is a popular and prominent member of the Yorkville Bar, and the bride is the second daughter of Mrs. F. C. Gist, of this place.

INDIANA B.

Brother Buskirk, of the class of '88, is in the Law School this year.

Brother Beason, though freshman with '92, is teaching school at Columbia City.

Brother Mutz, our only senior last year, is in the drug business at Edinburg, Indiana.

Brother Metcalf, of our last year's sophomore class, is local editor of the Anderson *Herald*. Brother Metcalf is quite a journalist.

Brother Spangler, who conducted a party in Europe this summer, has returned. He is now on a Government tour to the Yellowstone Park.

ILLINOIS A.

George Dixon, '89, is in business in Chicago.

S. S. Herben, '89, has entered the Biblical Institute.

C. P. Abbey, '89, is attending the law school in Chicago.

I. J. Archer, ex-'90, is attending the Chicago Medical College.

C. S. Graves, '89, is studying at the Union College of Law, Chicago.

Samuel Weir, '89, is Professor of Greek and Latin in the Southwest Kansas Collège, and is also filling a charge.

ILLINOIS B.

Bro. David J. Lingle, '85, who has been taking a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins University, has accepted a professorship in the Tulane University at New Orleans.

CHICAGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Joseph V. Denney and Joseph Halsted, Michigan *A*, have returned from their trip abroad.

W. H. Holden, Michigan *A*, is studying law with the firm of Weigly, Buckley & Gray.

George Bass, Illinois *A*, has again returned to Chicago after a prolonged stay in Detroit, Michigan.

Rev. Fred. R. Swartwout, Illinois *B*, has resigned as pastor of the Bethany Church of this city.

Rev. John N. Hall, Illinois *A*, has been transferred from the Pullman to the Kensington M. E. Church.

Jay Brockway, Illinois *B*, is now located with the law firm of W. M. Johnston & Gray, Metropolitan Block.

A. E. Maley, Illinois *A*, has entered the evening law school and intends to graduate and practice the profession of law.

We take great pleasure in extending to Bro. W. S. Holden our congratulations upon his appointment as Archon of the fourth district.

Brothers Robinson, New York *A*, and Graves, Illinois *A*, are engaged with the law firm of Hoyne, Follensbee & O'Conner, of this city.

Allen A. Griffith, has again settled in Chicago, and has engaged in a partnership under the style of Griffith & Allen, doing a real estate and loaning business.

Lewis Curts, D. D., Iowa *I*, has just been made pastor of the Western Avenue M. E. Church, and preached his first sermon in his new place to immense audience.

Quite a number of members of the association spent an interesting evening at Evanston a few nights ago, where they participated in an initiation of three candidates under the new ritual.

Bro. Bob Burdette made a visit to Chicago early this month, where he lectured and also preached. Several members of the association held pleasant conversations with him, and he promised to attend the G. A. C. next spring.

WISCONSIN *I*.

'92. Bro. E. P. Ellenson is taking a course at the Chicago Medical College.

'88. Bro. H. K. White is principal of the Clinton, Wisconsin, High School, and likes the life of a professor very much. He comes to Beloit about every Friday and spends Sunday with us.

Bro. E. J. Breitzman is trying to make a civil engineer of himself at the State University, Madison, Wisconsin. He spent his summer vacation with a corps of surveyors in Northern Wisconsin.

Bro. A. H. Van Tassel also succumbed to Cupid's charms last summer, and took to himself a wife. His bride was Miss Hattie Hersey, of Beloit. They are living here in Beloit, where Brother Van Tassel is city editor of the *Beloit Citizen*.

'87. Bro. R. K. Welsh was married during the past summer to a Beloit lady, Miss Minerva Prouty. They are now living at Rockford,

Illinois. Brother Welsh's professional card reads, "Attorney and Counsellor at Law, 211 W. State St."

'84. Frank R. Hubachek, on September 30th, was married to Miss Nellie Brooks, daughter of ex-chief Brooks of the secret service. The wedding took place at the home of the bride in Washington. They will live in Minneapolis, where the groom has a prosperous law practice.

We can not chronicle a similar fate for Wisconsin Gamma's two other members of '87. At least we have not heard anything of the sort in regard to Bro. W. S. Haven, and we know it is not true of Bro. J. M. Sheean, although he may be seriously contemplating such a move.

IOWA A.

'88. Jacob Cloz is principal of schools at St. Ansgar, Iowa.

'89. W. H. Stutsman is practicing law in Burlington, Iowa.

'89. Frank Park is assistant in the Iowa City, Iowa, High School.

'86. C. E. Eggert is assistant principal in the Burlington, Iowa, High School.

'89. J. W. Bollinger has a law shingle at Room 8, Ryan Block, Davenport, Iowa.

'89. E. R. Meek is at Ft. Worth, Texas, associated with the General Solicitor of the Denver & Ft. Worth R. R.

'85. The following explains itself: "R. F. Skiff, Josephine Carlon; married, Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1889, Livermore, Iowa. At home after September 24th, at Elkhorn, Wisconsin."

The social season for the boys of the Phi Psi Fraternity was opened last Wednesday evening by an informal party, given in honor of Ned Meek, who spent the day renewing friendships and acquaintances on his way back to Ft. Worth, Texas, where he is pleasantly located. The evening was delightfully passed in conversation and dancing and the banquet which was served in the halls, was royally attended to by those assembled. The fleeting hours soon sped away, and the company broke up after passing an enjoyable respite from school and other duties.—*Vidette Reporter*, Oct. 6, 1889.

MINNESOTA B.

Bro. O. L. Triggs is at the university as a Fellow, studying for his Master's Degree in Arts.

Bro. Walker A. Eggleston, Minnesota Alpha, Secretary of David C. Bell Investment Co., was married to Miss Alice Adams, Sept. 4, 1889.

College and Fraternity Notes.

Bowdoin is said to have closed last year with but twelve "barbarians."

$\Delta T \Delta$ in the future holds biennial conventions instead of annual ones as heretofore.

Rumor has it that $\Phi \Delta \theta$ is soon to establish a chapter at Tulane University.

$\Phi \Delta \theta$ sometimes suspends men for a year.—*Kappa Sigma Quarterly*. We question the correctness of this statement.

Ex-Mayor Seth Low, of Brooklyn, has been elected President of Columbia College by the Board of Trustees. He has not as yet accepted.

It is expected that Professor James Russell Lowell will take the lectureship on poetry for the coming year at Johns Hopkins University.

Theodore B. Wanamaker has given one million dollars to Princeton, the income to be given annually as a prize to students performing the best work in English history and language.

Realizing the disadvantages of society strife, the students at Williams are endeavoring to raise, by subscription, \$200,000 to build a general chapter house.—*Cycle*.

Bijou is to be published this year at the Ohio Wesleyan University by the fraternities. It is a long time since such an enterprise has been undertaken, and it is to be hoped that an institution with 1,000 students will get out a good annual.

Wellesley, with 520 students, is pronounced the leading woman's college in America. Smith stands next with 367; then Vassar, 283; Wilson, 164, and Bryn Mawr, 70. Wellesley was chosen to represent the Typical Woman's College of America at the Paris Exposition.—*Era*.

The *Kappa Kappa Gamma Key* has a new department called Open Letters, after the manner of the Contributor's Club of the *Atlantic Monthly*. The *Key's* new feature is in charge of Miss Dodge, the very talented editor-in-chief, and is as bright and fresh as a May morning.

The Palm advocates a consolidated fraternity journal. It publishes also the names, addresses and occupations of all its members as soon as found, and sends the journal to each with the naive statement that if it is not returned each person so favored will be expected to remit \$2 for the year's subscription (?)

Sigma Chi tried the plan last year of sending a copy of the journal to every alumnus whose correct address could be secured. The honor of every man was relied upon to pay for the copies which he received. We are not advised how this plan operated in securing the funds necessary to pay the vastly increased printer's bills.

At a meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa society, held in Albany, September 5th, resolutions were adopted to secure proper representation, at the coming celebration of the discovery of America, of the intellectual life of the American people in science and art up to date. Two prizes of \$3,000 each, are to be offered for the best general essays on American progress in Science and Art.

The *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* advocates a settled policy of extension. The chief points of this policy are to look carefully after the young and growing institutions of the West, to establish chapters in every State University, to revive defunct chapters in the South, and to be exceedingly caretul about making new chapters in widely separated colleges. The subject of entering New England Colleges is touched upon with the same tenderness which characterizes the attitude of most fraternities looking toward that *terra incognita*.

In thinking over the discussion regarding the founding of the Class in Journalism, an explanation of the widespread misunderstanding of the facts has occurred. It is in the double use by the University of the word *course*. This word applies not only to the extended lines of work, as the course in Arts, the technical courses and others; but also to the limited lines of work which are called also by the student body, classes. For instance, Roman History is spoken of as a class, or, as it is given in the Courses of Instruction, a course. Such has evidently been the origin of the popular mistake, and the ease with which it might well arise, is an excuse for the exchanges which have so widely copied it.—*Era*.

A strong alumni chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity has recently been organized here. It includes not only the members residing in this city, but also other cities within a radius of fifty miles. It numbers about forty-five men [sixty-five—ED. SHIELD] and is the strongest alumni chapter of that fraternity in the United States. It will be an immense help to

the Phi Kaps of Wittenberg. The Beta chapter, while strong in numbers and good class men are divided among themselves by petty jealousies, etc. In their haste to capture a man they forget to inquire as to whether he will be congenial or not. The Phi Psis are distinctively society fellows, and possess some good class men.—*Wittenberg Corr. Φ Γ Δ Quarterly.*

At Chautauqua, Yale University made itself "numerous" this last season. Some twenty healthy, noisy representatives delighted a gay audience on Wednesday evening, July 24th, in an entertainment which they called "A Yale Night." A banquet followed, in which the boys ate up all the chicken, pie and pickles in the Hotel Athenæum, and forgot that there was anything the matter with their stomachs while the toasts were being answered. Dr. W. R. Harper, professor of Semitic Languages at Yale, was eloquent, and prophesied the time when Chautauqua should become the gathering ground of the universities of the land. The sentiment was enthusiastically applauded.—*Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly.*

The only "breeze" at Indiana State University this spring was furnished by $\Phi \Delta \theta$. They expelled one of their members and another resigned. They were both immediately taken in by $B \theta II$.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly.* We should rather say that the "breeze" was furnished by $B \theta II$, who seems to be distinguishing herself in her own peculiar manner at that University. Last year they initiated an expelled $\Phi K \Psi$, and the year before an ex- $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, and this summer we were informed by one of their own chapter that they had pledged a ΣX .—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

If this be true, $B \theta II$ has descended a long way from the lofty ideal set up years ago, when their convention resolved most emphatically against "lifting," and their journal *Beta Theta Pi* used to inveigh against the practice then common in other frats most bitterly.

Bucknell is wanting in good fraternity men; and not only has our own Sigma Chi received a blow by her loss this year, but other fraternities have suffered as well. The $\Phi K \Psi$ is in a worse condition than ever before, which we can not say of ourselves. They have numbers, but there is not one really good frat man among them. Some are men whom we could have taken, but Kappa would rather have no men at all than have them inferior. The same can be said of the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. They have men, but not men whom Sigma Chi would want.—*Bucknell Correspondent Σ X Quarterly.*

The naivete of the above is charming! Pa. Γ perhaps might tell the story somewhat differently.

Miscellany.

IN MEMORIAM.

CHARLES WERNER ROEHL.

It is with the greatest sadness that we make known to the fraternity at large the death of our beloved brother, Charles Werner Roehl, who died at his home in Connersville, Indiana, in the latter part of last August.

Brother Roehl was initiated into Indiana Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi in October, 1888, and was a member of the class of '92. Though so young in $\Phi \Psi$, he loved his brothers by adoption, and was loved by them with the greatest intensity. In his association with his classmates and all with whom he came in contact, he always conducted himself as a true gentleman, and was loved and respected by all.

In testimony of our deep regret at the loss of our dear brother, we, the members of Indiana Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, desire to extend to his bereaved mother and sister and friends, our heartfelt sympathy.

CHARLES W. HODELL,
FRANK L. LITTLETON,
CHARLES G. HOUTS,

Greencastle, Indiana, October 12, 1889.

Committee.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *ΔΥ Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with *THE SHIELD* for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. *THE SHIELD*'s files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

No. 2 of Vol. I.

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William Raimond Baird, author of American College Fraternities, wishes the following copies of THE SHIELD: April, 1887; November, 1886; April and May, 1886. Can any one supply him with them?

We have on hand a large supply of broken volumes of THE SHIELD, the separate numbers of which may be of service in completing files. We shall be glad to respond to letters of inquiry on this subject, and shall take pleasure in filling orders for back numbers as far as possible.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following:

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H. S. T. Harris, Marathon, Texas.

D. E. Stuart, Corning, Iowa.

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BY W. G. KEADY, PA. A., '56.

[In the issues of November, December, and January, 1880, of THE SHIELD (Vol. II, Nos. 3, 4, and 5), appeared an article under the above caption that ought to be known and read of all Phi Psis. Aside from the information which it contains, it is one of the most readable articles upon fraternity matters which has ever appeared, and withal, in a very delicate way, is an admirable plea for the existence and value of fraternities. We have meant to republish it for some time, believing that nowhere could anything be found more profitable for Φ Ψ s of this generation to read.—EDITOR SHIELD.]

A fellow sophomore, having begun an oration, quoting from the forgotten Milford Bard thus: "Roll back the billowy wave of time," society appointed a committee to help him roll it back. What that committee failed to do has been done for me by a copy of the "Catalogue of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity;" and a year ago, at the request of Brother Leiser, of Lewisburg, Pa., I undertook to write down what I could recall of the early days of our fraternity, as material for a future history; and now again I have been requested to put what I then wrote into a shape that might interest the readers of THE SHIELD. I have found it a delightful task, but by no means as easy as I thought. I can not assume the dignity of an historian: such dignity gets its backbone from records, documents, monuments, etc., and to such I have no access; not even to my catalogue, which has found a secure hiding-place somewhere. The best I can do is to let a loving memory have her will and recall what she pleases, people the air about me with the shadows of the friends of my

youth, and as one after another appears through the smoke-wreaths from my sociable pipe, bid them re-enact with me scenes which I know I shall never regret on earth, and which I should feel sad to think I might not remember in heaven. This paper, therefore, refuses at once to be considered a history; it has a livelier aim; it is simply a gossiping memorial. A gossip is always an egotist; and I will make no apology for the transparent egotism which enters into the narrative. This one can hardly avoid in writing of events in which he was an active agent, "*magna pars.*" My love for and unceasing interest in all that concerns the fraternity, the debt of love I owe it, is my only excuse, if the capital "I" seems too prominent.

I shall not write in the "Hercles vein," nor in the forced sentimental, but attempt only to be as near the truth as possible, in catching such repetitions from the past as shall give a faithful picture, yet with no better hope of success than his who would attempt to paint an Italian sunset from memory. Hoping that my "apology is sufficient," here I go "*in mediam rem.*"

I entered Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, Pa., May 1, 1853. On the 14th of February, 1854, I became a member of the fraternity. It was the occasion of its second anniversary; I remember it as if it had been yesterday. An old divine once said that there were three things that would surprise him when he should go to heaven: first, that many he expected to find there, were not to be seen anywhere; second, that many he did not expect to find there, were present; and third, that he himself was there. Such a threefold surprise met me as, one pitch-dark, rainy night, at a late hour, Tom Campbell led me into his heavily-curtained room. I went there against what I thought was my better judgment, and my conscience was having a lively time of it. It was the common belief at the college that the "Phi Psis" were a miscellaneous crowd of the most worthless and dissipated fellows in town; and to say a young man was a Phi Psi was to characterize him as the sum of all villainies. Now at that time I was reckoned among the moral fellows, (which was as it should be, for I was a member of the U. P. Church, with the ministry in view, which I did not reach till nineteen years after). I thought I had sown all my wild oats before I left Philadelphia—alas! poor human nature! I soon found that what I had known in that line was like what Horace Greeley knew about farming. This by the way: it was with mixed feelings that I had accepted the invitation to become a Phi Psi. I believed I was doing wrong, but like Tom of Coventry, determined to go one eye on it. As I entered the room, I looked for a crowd, and no crowd was there; I looked for those I had made up my mind to meet,

and they were not there; and my surprise then was at finding myself there. Around the fire sat four young men; these, with Tom Campbell, formed what I supposed was the entire $\Phi K \Psi$ Fraternity in the United States in February, 1854.

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Last, but not least, Thomas Cochran Campbell. To this one boy (for he was always a boy,) our fraternity owes more than to any other, excepting its founders. And one reason why I so willingly enter upon the task of fixing the traditions of $\Phi K \Psi$, is that I may lead the fraternity into knowing one they ought to know, and secure for him a high place in our history. When it is disposed to bestow honors of love and gratitude I beseech a big show for Tom Campbell, just such a show as Morse gets in connection with the telegraph which he did not invent. Tom did not *found* the fraternity, but he made it a working power. All his desire for fame and remembrance was in connection with $\Phi K \Psi$, to which he gave the best part of the working years of a short life. At the time I speak of, he was nineteen years old. My first knowledge of him goes back some five or six years before I entered college. In 1847, I think, Rev. J. R. Campbell, a missionary to India from the Reformed Presbyterian Church, came to Philadelphia on a visit, bringing his children, of whom Tom was the oldest, and whom he left to be educated, when he went back. Tom was then about twelve. He had been born at sea. My first view of him was of a wild-looking boy, with piercing eyes and restless limbs, with a look as if he was on the watch. He could not speak much if any English, had no knowledge apparently of civilized life, and for a good reason. His parents were necessarily forced to leave him almost altogether to Hindoo servants, from whom his early impressions all came. From that intercourse his mind took a cast that gave character ever after to all his mental operations. He had learned to speak and read Hindoostanee, but his reading had indirectly left no impression, if it had been in the Bible. He had no idea of God, or one warped out of all recognition by what he had absorbed in the atmosphere of the half-heathen mission servants and the wholly heathen of the neighborhood. His guardians soon found they had a young elephant on their hands. They could not understand him, and he looked on them as his natural enemies. They found him not amenable to any ordinary moral motive, and not to be influenced by ordinary incentives. His seemingly incurable moral obliquities demanded severe treatment, so he was placed in the House of Refuge, as a peculiar case. This proved the wisest course in the end, for it brought to bear a power that the oriental mind can only understand—unbending force. Tom regarded his two years' stay there as a blessing. He was

there tamed and civilized, partially at least; there he realized what morality is, and there he learned of God and made his first acquaintance with the Bible. After attending school for a year or two after, he was sent to college. I was then an apprentice in the printing office of W. S. Young, and when I was ready to go to Jefferson, one of Tom's guardians, his pastor, asked me to look after him. It was in the spirit of this charge, which had brought us together at first, that I listened to his persuasion to enter the fraternity, coupled as it was with the assurance that he wanted me to help him put it on a better basis. But as I will have more to say of him, it is time to go back and shut the door after my first glimpse of the components of the Phi Psi Fraternity of which I had heard so much, and now found I had known so little.

Well, at the sight of these five not very formidable fellows, my first feeling was one of relief, and I heartily entered into the proceedings. The ceremony of initiation was a very unpretentious one. The constitution was read, a promise on honor was given, a short address from the presiding officer, and it was all over, the secrets of $\Phi K \Psi$ were laid bare. The aims of the fraternity were thus expressed in the preamble of the original constitution: "The founders, believing that by an association governed by fixed laws and regulations, they can advance, promote each other's interests, and improve each other morally and intellectually, do etc." That document was a simple one, and might have answered for any unambitious literary society, and had been hastily written; yet it served its purpose till a new one was formed by the first G. A. C., held in 1855 in Washington City.

(To be continued.)



The Areopagus.

MINNESOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Minnesota *B* has for some time felt that the strong $\Phi \Psi$ s of Minneapolis and St. Paul ought to form an association. The alumni have long thought so too. It was therefore resolved to commence proceedings with a banquet and reunion.

The banquet was held on Friday, Nov. 8th, in the magnificent rooms of the West Hotel in Minneapolis. Forty-four $\Phi \Psi$ s were present, nineteen being from the local chapter, nine from the late Minn. *A* (three of these brothers came from Duluth), and the remainder from various chapters from Pennsylvania to Iowa. Unfortunately several $\Phi \Psi$ s were not informed of the banquet, as they were not known to the chapter.

After an hour's pleasant intercourse we proceeded at nine o'clock to the ordinary, where the banquet was served. The tables were arranged in the conventional horse-shoe form, and were beautifully decorated with smilax and roses, while colored candles adorned the silver candelabra. The menu was very tastefully printed in gold on lavender paper tied with a pink ribbon, and was as follows:

	BLUE POINTS ON HALF SHELL.	
	MOCK TURTLE a l'Anglaise.	
BOILED SALMON TROUT, Sauce Hollandaise.		SADDLE OF LAMB, Mint Sauce.
STRING BEANS.		POTATOES PARISIENNE.
	TENDERLOIN OF BEEF, a la Macedoine.	
	GREEN PEAS.	
	TURKEY, Cranberry Sauce.	
	LETTUCE.	
	ROQUEFORT AND STILTON CHEESE.	
	NEAPOLITAN ICE CREAM.	
CAFE.	PETIT POUR MELE.	FRUIT.

At about 10:30 the tables were cleared, and Bro. H. P. Hall, of St. Paul, who officiated as toastmaster, rose and rapped for silence. It is quite impossible to report what Brother Hall said—he is a toastmaster *par excellence*. He introduced Brother Conger, of Minn. *B*, who responded very humorously and feelingly to the toast, "The Goat." When he re-

ferred to the *nanny* goat, it was noticeable that the older alumni, who had left college before the advent of Sororities, did not quite "catch on."

In the absence, very much to be regretted, of Rev. T. A. McCurdy, D. D., the Rev. Robt. Leslie responded very earnestly to the inspiring toast, "The Fraternity." Bro. E. K. Cheadle, an alumnus of Minnesota *A* of blessed memory, rather resented being called upon to deliver a funeral oration on the dear departed, but his good temper returned as he related how the boys bamboozled the faculty.

Brother Dickinson, who with Brother Purdy was the delegate of Minn. *B* to the Fourth District Council, responded in a happy speech to that sentiment.

Then the toastmaster turned and called on Judge J. P. Rea, past Grand Commander of the G. A. R., to speak of "Phi Psis in the War." The judge was received with loud applause. His speech was eloquent and inspiring, and it needed not his assurance to convince us that every $\Phi \Psi$ who donned the blue or the gray proved himself a soldier valiant and true.

Brother Soares, of Minn. *B*, spoke on the "Lavender and Pink," and then the toastmaster introduced Gen. G. P. Wilson, of Penn. *I*, "the man who first brought $\Phi \Psi$ over the Ohio River." Brother Wilson kept us interested and amused as he spoke of " $\Phi \Psi$ s in the Northwest." Rev. W. P. McKee spoke for " $\Phi \Psi$ s in the Pulpit;" Hon. E. N. Darrow for " $\Phi \Psi$ s at the Bar;" Bro. O. L. Triggs, of Minn. *B*, for " $\Phi \Psi$ s in College;" Brocher Timberlake, of Minn. *B* responded for "THE SHIELD," and then Bro. F. R. Hubachek wound up the programme with a speech on the "Alumni Association."

Brother Hubachek's speech had such an effect upon the alumni that they formed an Alumni Association then and there. The following officers were unanimously elected: President, J. P. Rea; Vice-president, Hon. G. P. Wilson; Secretary-Treasurer, F. R. Hubachek, of Minneapolis; Executive Committee, H. P. Hall, of St. Paul, chairman; J. P. Lansing, of Minneapolis; D. E. Woodbridge, of Duluth; Rev. J. D. Rumsey, of River Falls, Wis.; B. H. Timberlake, of the State University.

It was recommended that all Minnesota $\Phi \Psi$ s should immediately send their names and addresses to the secretary.

After a vote of thanks to the toastmaster, and another from the alumni to Minn. *B*, under whose auspices the banquet was held, we adjourned with a $\Phi \Psi$ song one of the most enjoyable occasions possible even among the brothers of $\Phi K \Psi$.

The following brothers were present:

Penn. Γ—Hon. J. P. Wilson. Ohio A—H. P. Hall, Hon. J. P. Rea. Illinois B—Rev. Robert Leslie. Missouri A—J. K. Mortland. Indiana Γ—Rev. W. P. McKee. Wisconsin Γ—F. R. Hubachek. New York E—Rev. J. D. Rumsey. Penn. B—G. P. Ferree. Wisconsin A—W. S. Dwinell, J. P. Lansing. Iowa Γ—W. R. Triggs (now Minn. B). Mich. A—Hon. E. N. Darrow. Minn. A—D. E. Woodbridge, E. K. Cheadle, A. L. Hall, L. A. Huntoon, Jos. E. Ware, Pierce Butler, H. W. Cheadle, A. C. Finney, F. N. Dickson. Minn. B—M. D. Snedcor, O. L. Triggs, H. W. Wilson, Theo. G. Soares, J. W. Graves, Chas. T. Conger, M. D. Purdy, Floyd Triggs, J. O. Jorgens, George C. Sikes, H. P. Baily, E. H. Day, H. G. Bushnell, H. D. Dickinson, C. P. Lommen, B. F. Lum, H. M. Woodward, B. H. Timberlake.

Several brothers had fully expected to be with us, but were prevented. Brother Collins of the Executive Council unfortunately had an attack of sickness, and Bro. W. C. Wilson arrived on the scene a day too late.

THEO. G. SOARES.

CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

The business address of R. H. Bishop is now 116 E. Pearl street.

Carl Bushnell, of Chicago, one of the contractors of the Newport Barracks, U. S. A., has made himself known, and will be on hand throughout the programme of Cincinnati Phi Psis' December affair.

For the December banquet acceptances have already been received from Chattanooga, New York, Chicago, Pittsburg, and Louisville, as well as from not a few points between.

Albert Davis, Clerk of Union Circuit Court, Liberty, Ind., has enrolled himself with Cincinnati Phi Psis. Subscribed for THE SHIELD first thing.

The fraternity mail, as received in the circles of our resident Phi Psis, forms no small package per month. From chapters and alumni come good greetings and interesting information. It all is enjoyed and is given prompt response.

Invitations were received for the November banquet of the Pittsburg alumni. Due response will be had from Cincinnati.

The officers of the Cincinnati Alumni Association will be pleased to be informed of the addresses of any Phi Psis whom it may be possible to reach by mail regarding attendance upon December banquet. The occasion is one for all Phi Psis, and Cincinnati will be for all Phi Psi the three days.

As far as can be made at all practicable the homes of Cincinnati Phi Psis will be open to visiting brothers during the December affair.

If it keeps on, one day of the December event will have to be set apart for a reception to the newly-wedded. The next wedding recorded

in our ranks is that of Dr. L. S. Colter and Miss Flora L. Welch. Miss Welch was well known in college and society circles of Delaware, Ohio. At that city the wedding occurred on October 29th. Brother Colter and wife are at home at 84 Garfield Place, this city.

The Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity waltzes, our own special arrangement, dedicated to the fraternity by the Cincinnati Alumni Association, will have come fresh from the press ere these items appear in the columns of THE SHIELD. The piece, a long one, was composed especially for Phi Psi by Prof. A. J. Boex, of St. Xavier's Cathedral. The copyright and publishing is by The John Church Co., Cincinnati. The selection will rank with the best of like sheet music publications in the country, being after the regular concert style and order, with introduction, waltzes, polka, and finale. The title page, in fine and special design, shows conspicuously the real badge, steel plate engraved, of Phi Psi. The selection is one that can be placed and will show up on any concert programme or parlor musicale. It will be a souvenir of Cincinnati's Phi Psi, as well as of Cincinnati Phi Psis' December.

And now for Monday night, December 30th, the occasion of the reception banquet of the Cincinnati Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Association. The members of our fraternity everywhere, alumni and undergraduate, are notified and cordially invited. It is impossible to reach all, but if one is a Phi Psi he can come on and find scenes and times as will make him wish he had been "spiked" sooner than he was. The event has grown so that it is deemed best to get out a full programme, several thousand copies of which will be mailed in a few days. Instead of the one banquet night, the affair has grown into a three days' event. Saturday night, December 28th, an informal reception to officers of the fraternity. Sunday morning a sermon before Phi Psis and collegians in a down-town church. Sunday night a special and union Phi Psi service, participated in by resident Phi Psi pastors and prominent alumni. Monday, December 30th, noon, reception to Song Book Committee. Monday night, December 30th, the banquet, with a big "B."

The details as to places, music, and else will appear in the printed programmes. The officers desire to know by December 15th the names of those who will attend, and whether or not they will bring ladies. Do not stay away because you can't certainly accept by December 15th, but let us have your "yes" then if at all possible. The president and secretary will be glad to answer all inquiries, and to send programmes to any address. The music and "favors" for the event will be a new order of things entirely. The prominent officers and alumni of the fraternity have signified their intention of being present. THE SHIELD will receive prominent attention and booming during all of the December affair.

E. A. DAUMONT.

Cincinnati, November 18, 1889.

Editorial.

WE have to extend thanks to the brothers, so few in number, who have remembered us with college journals. We believe that the entire list is as follows: *Cornell Era, University Mirror, Dickinsonian, Penn. College Monthly, Lasell Leaves, Lantern, Practical Student, College Transcript, Pharos, University Voice, Swarthmore Phoenix.*

We miss greatly some of our regular visitors of former years. Nothing surely is easier than for a brother to send THE SHIELD his copy of his college paper when through reading it, with such things marked in it as he thinks our readers would enjoy. Let us have a fuller representation of interested chapters hereafter.

WE formulated in our mind a new policy a year ago, and have rigidly adhered to it since. We resolved that the pages of THE SHIELD should not be burdened with fault-finding or duns, and have been amazed since we quit these practices to see how many of our contemporaries were falling into the deplorable folly of airing household matters before the world.

Nevertheless, we wish to suggest to correspondents, as mildly as possible, that the character of the chapter letters in former volumes admonishes them that no apology for haste or carelessness will atone for dereliction. Keep up the standard of this most important feature of any college

society journal, brothers, and don't ask the Editor to make up for your deficiencies, by rewriting your letters.

Printers have a prejudice against setting up "copy" written on both sides of the paper. Respect the usage of the printing office.

VERILY the flame is leaping, and the remote parts of Phi Psi-dom have been warmed anew by fraternal enthusiasm. The past month has witnessed the formation of two fine Alumni Associations, one at Minneapolis and the other at Pittsburgh.

If the names of resident Phi Psis in the latter city is any index of the interest in the association, Springfield, Chicago, and Cincinnati must look to their laurels. The pronouncement of the modern Tom Campbell of $\phi \kappa \psi$ from Cincinnati, would seem to indicate a grand and halcyon time in that city among members of $\phi \kappa \psi$ during the coming month. If the fruition of the plans of the loyal boys in charge of this affair are in keeping with the pleasant anticipations of those who expect to be there, what a grand gathering it will prove to be!

The Chicago Association has a strong reason to inspire enthusiasm this year in the coming of the G. A. C. to that city in April next. While, perhaps, the World's Fair project may absorb more public attention, the enthusiastic boys of the City by the Lake will make the former event of more importance to $\phi \psi$ s.

The Minnesota Association, like that at Springfield, has the additional help of coming in contact with the active membership, and can feel by personal contact how much they can do for the boys in college.

Shall we not soon have flattering reports from Kansas City, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and New York?

WE have been much impressed during our extended connection with fraternity journalism, with the difference in temperament which men display as they grow older from the characteristics which they showed in youth.

We have from time to time sketched through the nine preceding volumes of *THE SHIELD*, and have been frequently pained to note how soon the warm-hearted, gay boys, brimming with love for $\phi K \psi$, in the days of their correspondence for our journal, have dropped out of touch with their fraternity.

We have the names of more than 600 alumni upon our mailing list, a number far in excess of many of our contemporaries, and yet we miss the name of many and many a brother who in the earlier days was wont to find pleasure in recounting the joys and sorrows of himself and chapter in our pages. We presume, in the ten years of our connection with *THE SHIELD*, there have gone forth from colleges where our chapters have been located 1200 men. All of these ought to have taken our journal immediately on leaving college, and have kept taking it ever since. A habit of reading your college secret society journal will do more than all other things to keep your enthusiasm alive, to retard the wheels of time and to keep you young. Oh, how we sigh for youth as the years go by. Let us rather keep our hearts young by fondly recalling the days of yore. We can scarce imagine the condition of a man to whom the article we republish in this issue from Vol. II would not be of thrilling interest. Ah, to how many of us has come a Tom Campbell, God bless him, whom we have never known until he has been parted from us.

Of what priceless value may we not make our alumni associations! How our hearts burn within us as we meet and greet the "old boys," who have not allowed them-

selves to grow old, and how their kindling enthusiasm warms our souls into new life.

How honorable a thing it must seem to a young man in the flush of his college career to belong to an organization which the gray heads delight to toast.

No one can rightly estimate the power of the reflex influence upon the chapters emanating from a strong, vitalizing alumni association. Their value to the active membership is incalculable; to us of an older day they are doubly precious, recalling us to scenes all too soon bedimmed by life's incessant jostlings, and reminding us again and again "that as you honor yourself you honor her."

We cannot close this brief reference to these important adjuncts to our fraternity life than by recalling to the minds of the members of ϕ κ ψ the anecdote which our honored brother, Gov. Foraker, told of his inauguration as Governor of Ohio. At a banquet given in his honor at the Park Hotel, February 6, 1886, among other things he said:

"I have always remembered the injunction: 'Never forget that you are a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.' When temptation has been in my way the remembrance of that injunction has always resulted in good to me. I can give to you, my younger brothers, no better advice than to remember that injunction. Just before I took the oath of office as Governor of Ohio, I received a telegram from an old ϕ ψ friend. Many other letters and telegrams of congratulation and good wishes had been received, but all save this one had been put on file. For some reasons that telegram found its way into my pocket-book, and has remained there ever since. It contained only these words: 'May peace and harmony

ever be with you, and our great Ruler in heaven ever guide you.'”

ALUMNI personals, after chapter letters, form the most valuable part of an issue of THE SHIELD. These should come regularly from every chapter, and should be well distributed, that is, should be selected from older and younger alumni as well.

THE reprinted article of Brother Keady ought to be thrilling reading to every $\phi \psi$. We hope the present membership may enjoy it as much as they did who read it nine years ago.

We are receiving some subscriptions for $\Delta \Gamma$ *Quarterly*. We shall be glad to have more and thus acquaint $\phi \psi$ s with this excellent journal.

CAN not some brother assist us in finding the addresses of “lost Phi Psis?”

Districts III. and IV. now have two alumni associations each, while District I. has one, the newly organized Pittsburgh Association. We are quite certain that the territory included in District I. has by far the largest number of $\phi \psi$ s residing within it, and District II. has two centers in which flourishing associations might be built up. May it not be so within the coming months and before the G. A. C. meets?

Isn't it a mistake for any chapter to fail to subscribe for a copy of THE SHIELD for preservation? We think so, when we receive letters constantly asking for back numbers which are now out of print.

Chapter Letters.

WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON.

If Pennsylvania Alpha has not been represented in *THE SHIELD* for some time it is not the chapter's fault but the B. G.'s. After getting a letter from the editor and from Brother Marquis, sent "return in five days," and inquiring whether we were alive or not, we began to think that perhaps we had shown no signs.

At the beginning of the term five of our eleven brothers returned, and shortly after one of the five was taken sick with the typhoid fever and compelled to leave college. But thanks to the reputation that has been made for Pennsylvania Alpha in the past, we did not think it necessary to be in a great rush for new men to build up a big chapter. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Brothers Gillette, '91, and Nesbit, '92, whom we feel proud to present. Like P. T. Barnum we say nothing of several good men we "have on the string."

Since we have not been heard from for so long, we would like to express our opinion on a few of the questions interesting the fraternity. First, about *THE SHIELD*. So far from feeling an irresistible desire to "shoot the performer," we think that a great share of the credit of bringing *THE SHIELD* to the very fore front of fraternity journals belongs to Brother Van Cleve, and results are what should be counted. Since he has done this, we of course are anxious to help him to keep it there. Don't let us talk of a bi-monthly, quarterly, etc., for it might end in an erratic annual. If *THE SHIELD* wants more money, it might do to charge each active member two dollars a year, and then furnish each five members or fraction thereof with eight copies of *THE SHIELD*. The three extra copies might be sold to alumni, or the five members may be relieved of the extra seventy-five cents apiece upon securing the subscription for three copies of *THE SHIELD*, otherwise the copies would be left on their hands.

Second. About Fraternity Extension. We heartily endorse the scheme of Brother Wilson. But we think that either the Executive Committee, or a subcommittee composed of members of the Executive Committee, should be personally on the ground and investigate all the circumstances connected with the granting of a charter. Their judgment certainly would be better than that of the average uninformed member. But we think that the ministers should put the bill before the house, and that it should require a two-thirds vote of the

chapters, and the unanimous consent of the chapters in the State where the new charter is to be granted. It would perhaps be well to have each chapter refusing the charter to give the reasons in writing. We believe in extension, east, west and south. But we believe that the conservative policy of the fraternity is what has given us our success. We do not see why eastern extension is undesirable or impossible. Can't we get started there on an equal footing?

Third. We would like to emphasize the fourth principle as presented in Bro. F. A. Cattern's excellent paper, appearing in *THE SHIELD* for June. It is with regard to the chapter's attitude toward our rivals and toward our fellow-students as individuals, frat. or non-frat. It might also be extended to the chapter's attitude with regard to people of the college, town or city, and especially to those interested in the students. We should stop to think whether what may seem to us fraternity spirit, may not be looked on by others as simply effusiveness, and as very sickly effusiveness, too. I think that Pennsylvania Alpha has been especially careful to avoid this, but we see it in some of our rival fraternities here. It is especially indulged in in the rushing season, and can not help but provoke some contempt. We notice the "objects" very often laughing in their sleeves. All this slush, usually intended to impress, and generally does impress, but not in the way desired. Probably there is no one who does not believe in fraternity enthusiasm, but enthusiasm does not require a chapter to lower itself in the estimation of the students in general, or to antagonize any one set.

Pennsylvania Alpha is very much pleased with the spirit of the letter from Swarthmore. Like Pennsylvania Kappa, we think that $\Phi \Psi$ should never initiate a member whom we would not be glad to meet anywhere, or at any time. And we believe that of all mistakes, the worst is the idea of getting ahead of a rival in numbers. A very pitiable sight indeed is the heterogeneous menagerie that requires a straining of the meaning to call it a fraternity. So far from believing that there is any such chapter of $\Phi \Psi$'s, we think it is very improbable that there ever could be such a one, but it still needs to be guarded against. We find here that we would seldom, if at all, be able to pick out more than four men whom we would think it would do justice to the fraternity to initiate. Of course where the chapter is thoroughly acquainted with certain men and are already associates, they can "assimilate" more.

We were pleased to meet Bro. Horace Miller, of Pittsburgh. He came over to view some of his old haunts, and is a very enthusiastic $\Phi \Psi$. He says the prospects for the Pittsburgh Alumni Association are very bright.

ERNEST O. KOOSER.

Washington, Pennsylvania, November 9, 1889.

ALLEGHENY.

Allegheny is just beginning the last month of the fall term, and the time for examinations is gradually approaching.

Since our last letter we have added to our number one new initiate. It gives me pleasure to present to you Bro. E. E. Miller, '91, of Dubois, N. Y. Bro. Miller is an energetic worker, and will prove a valuable acquisition to the fraternity. He will represent Philo Franklin Literary Society as declaimer in the inter-society contest to be held during commencement week. For special reasons his initiation was kept secret for a time, and the surprise manifested by the other fraternities when they learned that he had been a $\Phi \Psi$ for two weeks was interesting to see.

On Friday, November 8th, the annual election of the inter-society contest team was held in Allegheny Literary Society. These elections always stir up quite an interest, because the societies are pretty evenly matched, and the most competent men are always chosen to represent their society. For the past six or eight years $\Phi \Psi$ has been represented on this team, and this year she is represented by Brothers J. L. Porter, '90, as declaimer, and W. W. Youngson, as orator. After the election, at the request (?) of the contestants, all repaired to the oyster-parlors down town, where an enjoyable banquet was partaken of, Brother Barrett, '90, acting as toast master.

On the night of All Hallowe'en the students of Allegheny, each one ornamented with a Little Lord Fauntleroy sash, met by appointment and marched down to the Academy of Music to attend the play of Little Lord Fauntleroy. There was a portion of the house reserved for them, and between the acts doughnuts were passed around by a colored waiter. After the play a parade was made through the streets, and the boys enjoyed themselves after the usual manner of college students.

Brother Bates, '94, has received the appointment to West Point, and will take his examination in June. He is deserving of this honor, for he is a diligent worker, and will undoubtedly pass his examinations successfully.

Brother Robert J. Burdette delivered one of his humorous lectures here Wednesday, November 13th, and Pennsylvania Beta gave him a royal welcome. The boxes in the Academy were reserved for us, and the Academy was tastefully decorated with pink and lavender ribbon, and with flowers. The $\Phi \Psi$'s, with their girls, occupied the boxes, and Brother Burdette's lecture was thoroughly enjoyed by us. A reception in honor of Brother Burdette was given in the parlors of the Phos Club after the lecture. A number of the alumni were present, and a very enjoyable time was spent. The $\Phi \Psi$ quartette—Brothers Hersperger, Smith, Barrett, and Porter—gave a few selections which were heartily received, and at the proper time refreshments were served. After that some enjoyed themselves with conversation, while others indulged in the mazy dance. Brother Burdette is a splendid conversationalist, and is quite enthusiastic on fraternity topics. We adjourned early—that is, early in the morning—and each guest expressed himself as greatly pleased with the welcome tendered him by Pennsylvania Beta.

FRED CATTERN.

Meadville, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1889.

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

THE SHIELD is a most welcome visitor and its appearance is always hailed with delight by Gamma's loyal sons. Your correspondent has read with interest the article of Brother Wilson entitled, "A Policy of Extension," and heartily concur with his sentiments in regard thereto. We hope that the Executive Council in the near future will be invested with the authority to grant charters.

During the past few weeks, Lewisburg has been crowded with visitors. On the 21st of October the Baptist Association of Pennsylvania convened here. Many of Γ 's honored sons were in attendance. Indeed $\Phi \Psi$ s were conspicuous in the convention, quite a number of the exercises being conducted by our fraters. The "Jubilee Sermon" of the association was delivered by our beloved brother and president, Robert Lowry, D. D. His discourse was a masterly one, and held the wrapt attention of the immense congregation that filled the spacious auditorium of the Baptist church. Gamma had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Lowry, whose visits are always highly appreciated. His presence is truly an inspiration. The boys crowd around our genial president and listen most attentively to his words of wisdom.

Brother Conrad, of Philadelphia, read a most interesting paper before the association, entitled, "Two Hundred Years of Baptist Growth in Pennsylvania." Other brothers present at the meeting were: Revs. A. J. Furman, Wood, Hamilton, McMackin, Coulston, Monroe, G. Frear, D. D., and Professor Frear, Ph. D., of State College. Our chapter was greatly benefitted by renewing and strengthening old bonds with these brothers.

The National Convention of the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ fraternity was held with Delta Chapter, of Bucknell, on October 26th-30th, inclusive. The convention appeared to be a success. However, it was poorly attended, as only sixty delegates put in appearance. One of the features of this convention was a public meeting held in the Court House, consisting of speeches, fraternity songs, etc. One amusing incident was the manner in which $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ tried to parade her prominent men. Every member of distinction appeared to have been requested to be present at the meeting and deliver an address, for letters of regret were read from all their "big guns," until the audience was nearly worn out; not one prominent member of the fraternity, however, was present, and this fact left the impression that the alumni of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ was either disloyal to her or wanting in interest.

The majority of the delegates appeared to be gentlemanly fellows. Some of the visitors expressed themselves as not favorably impressed with the Bucknell chapter. Your correspondent, together with Brothers Haslam, Koonce and Dowlin, board at the principal hotel in town, and thus were brought into contact with many of the visiting $\Phi \Gamma$'s. Quite a number of the delegates were unable to attend the public meeting owing to inebriation, and while the $\Phi \Gamma$ fraters were boasting that their's was a fraternity of high morality, etc., some of her representatives were holding high carnival in a neighboring hotel. Taking it altogether I do not think that $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ strengthened herself at Bucknell by holding the convention here.

While the $\Phi \Gamma$ convention was in progress Pennsylvania Γ was not inactive, for we initiated a man who had been repeatedly "rushed" by the $\Phi \Gamma$'s; he,

however, preferred $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$, much to the chagrin of the Phi Gams. The fact that we took in our initiate when the town was filled with visiting Delts, only added to the humiliation of the local chapter. It gives me great pleasure to introduce to the fraternity Mr. Howard W. Sneek, '93, of Renova, Pa. Brother Sneek is a strong man in every respect. He captured the prizes in oratory and composition upon graduation from Bucknell Academy, and our new brother will add new lustre to the bright name of $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$.

It is far from the policy of Pennsylvania Γ , and against the inclination of your correspondent to indulge in "mud throwing" in regard to the other fraternities here represented, but I desire to make a few cold statements of facts, every one of which can be substantiated, apropos the chapter of Sigma Chi at Bucknell: The Sigs are practically dead here, having but two men (?) in the chapter. One of whom is a "prep." and the other a "special" in college with freshman standing. The Bucknell correspondent of the *Sigma Quarterly* laments the scarcity of good material to work on at our university. The truth of the matter is simply this, there is plenty of good material at Bucknell, but it is too good for Sigma Chi. The local chapter is in such a deplorable condition that a good man refuses to become identified with it, hence its feebleness.

The Sig. correspondent also says that Pennsylvania Γ "is in a worse condition than ever before." This is news to us, for we were never in a more prosperous condition, numbering eleven good men and true. I suppose that the two Sigs. are judging us by their own forlorn condition. I do not consider that men of their mental caliber and intellectual attainments (?) are capable of discriminating correctly about the most trivial matters, not to mention those things pertaining to $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$. The same correspondent in speaking of $\Phi \Psi$ at Bucknell says, "They have numbers, but there is not one really good frat. man among them." How strange! Yet Sigma Chi besought four of the present members of Γ to cast lot with them. Then again all depends on what the Sigs. mean by a "good man," for the typical Bucknell Sig has the following characteristics: vanity, conceit and an entire absence of intellect; in fine he is a nonentity. Judged by this standard I am glad to say that we have not a "really good frat. man" among us.

Pennsylvania Gamma sends hearty greetings to all our sister chapters, and cordially invites all $\Phi \Psi$ s to visit us.

A. LINCOLN MOORE.

Lewisburg, Pa., November 9, 1889.

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

In reading the October SHIELD it pleased us not a little to notice the increase in chapter letters, and I will try to keep it at par by rehearsing the events of the past month. The letters are all very interesting and are surely worth, to the fraternity at large, the time and little trouble it takes to send them. I hope that the increase will continue and give much encouragement to THE SHIELD.

Brother Bouck has entered the Theological Seminary here. He hails from Ohio Beta, and if the entire stock is equal to this sample Ohio Beta can feel

proud of her chapter. He came upon us unexpectedly, but his welcome was none the less hearty. Although out of college he is still an enthusiastic $\Phi \Psi$ and attends our meetings.

Our freshmen are now on top. At a meeting of the class, which numbers sixty-one, Brother Barshinger was elected president. He proved himself to be a good politician. He has fully shown the "freshies" that their choice was a good one. He can lead them on to victory in "cane rushes," and is good at burning effigies.

We had a short visit from Brother Dubbs, of Pennsylvania Eta, our new Archon. He happened to be here at our meeting night and made us a nice little speech. He has entered his new field with a vim that can not help but "bring the answer." He spoke of New England as our field for extension, and he also spoke very favorably towards Western extension. May he be successful in his duties as Archon.

Last week Brother Herman and Brother Miller took a trip to Dickinson College and speak well of their visit. The Pennsylvania Zeta boys received them in fine style and their entertainment was of the highest order. It is very pleasant to hear such a report and shows the harmony that exists between the boys.

Brother Stitely was taken sick the other week and went home. It was afterwards found out that he was home-sick to see his brother, but there is still some doubt about that.

A foot ball team has been organized here, and although a little late we expect to have a good eleven. Epsilon will probably be represented by two men. Brother Turner and Brother Fager have gone into training and will no doubt get on the team.

Before closing I must say something of Brother Wilson's article in the last SHIELD on "A Policy of Extension." It is a subject on which we need much enlightenment, and it is very timely as well as to the point. May it be carefully read and considered by all the members of the $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ fraternity.

S. E. WHITMER.

Gettysburg, Pa., November 5, 1889.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to you nothing of unusual note has occurred. The rushing season is practically over, and from amid the smoke and ashes we can say that we have come out unscathed, at least so far as disappointment is concerned, for every man whom we wanted we got, and that is as well as we ever expect to do.

We have had as usual quite a lot of visitors this month. One night six alumni from the Franklin and Marshall chapter were present, and a generous, good-hearted, intelligent company they were, containing as it did the President of the Synod, to which they were all delegates, and other prominent lights of the Reformed Church. They were followed in a short time by the active members of Pennsylvania Eta, who made none the less of a good impression on us than

had their predecessors, and we shall esteem it a favor to have more chances for a further cultivation of their friendship.

Foot ball is booming at college. As yet we have suffered no defeat. We are represented on the team by Brothers Hynson, Eveland and Mills, who do their share towards securing the victory.

On the Glee Club we are not neglected, as Greer and Hynson sing, while Illingworth has been elected manager of it for the season of '89-'90.

At the meeting of the Central Inter-Collegiate Press Association, lately held in Philadelphia, it was our pleasure to meet with Brother Penniman, of Pennsylvania Iota, who was elected president of the association; Brother Sproul, of Kappa, was chosen chairman of Executive Committee, while the vice-presidency fell to the lot of your correspondent.

Brother Zimmerman is back at college, and we now draw much benefit from his sage counsel.

Half a dozen new prizes have been established this year, and the college generally is in a flourishing condition.

RALPH ILLINGWORTH.

Carlisle, Pa., November 8, 1889.

SWARTHMORE.

In sending her greeting to the sister chapters, Kappa is again able to report a substantial and gratifying progress in the various lines of fraternity work. Since our last month's letter, while we have been settling down in earnest for the year, we have added new and desirable members to the chapter roll, and have made a perceptible improvement in the spirit and interest of the individual members, as well as in the influence and standing of the chapter as an organization in college. As a result of our continued careful search for the best specimens of genuine manliness in the student mass of Swarthmore College, I am pleased to introduce to the brotherhood at large our latest acquisitions, Brothers Chester P. Martindale, '91, of Oxford, Pa., and Charles H. Walton, '93, of Trenton, N. J. Besides being representatives of prominent and influential families at their respective homes, both of our new brothers are prominent in college. Brother Martindale is tennis manager of the Athletic Association, and a member of the Athletic Council; corresponding secretary of the Delphic Literary Society, and business manager of the *Halcyon*, '91. Brother Walton has the honor of being president of the Freshman Class, and his college career is only beginning. All in all, we are justly proud of the four initiations we have made this year.

The recent convention of the Inter-collegiate Press Association of the Central States afforded a good illustration of the strength and influence of $\Phi \Psi$ in this part of the country. At the election, three out of the four desirable offices fell to $\Phi \Psi$, not through any preconcerted scheme, but—for some other better reason. The officers chosen were as follows: President, J. H. Penniman, $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$, University of Pennsylvania; vice-president, Ralph W. Illingworth, $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$, Dickinson; secretary and treasurer, J. S. Van Cleve, non-frat., Princeton; executive

committee, W. C. Sproul, $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$, Swarthmore, chairman; E. M. Angell, non-frat., Haverford; J. M. Walker, Q. T. V., State College; and D. M. Jones, $X \Phi$, Franklin and Marshall.

The chapter last month received as a gift from Brother J. B. Foraker, Governor of Ohio, a handsomely framed portrait of himself, together with a kind letter from his private secretary acknowledging the receipt of our request and expressing his pleasure at being able to grant the expressed wish of the youngest chapter. While the gift will serve its primary use as a handsome addition to the furniture of our rooms, it has a higher mission as a lasting example of the value of a fraternity and its enduring influence, even on leading men, long after their active days in college are over. When a man in the position of Governor Joseph B. Foraker, and engrossed with the cares and excitement of a great political campaign, as well as the duties of his high office, can take time to gratify the wish of an organization of young men whom he never knew or heard of, simply because they belong to his fraternity, then there must be something of more than ordinary endurance in $\Phi \Psi$'s bonds—something more than temporary in her spirit—and it has impressed us in just that way.

We recently had a pleasant visit from Bro. Winfield Scott Hall, M. D., (Illinois Alpha.) who is now Professor of Hygiene and Physical Culture at Haverford College. Bro. Hall seemed pleased with his short stay, and promised to come again.

$\Phi \Psi$ held a rather prominent position on the college foot ball eleven this season. In the game with Haverford, which is always the great game of the year between the best teams from both institutions, five $\Phi \Psi$ men were on the Swarthmore eleven, Brothers Ketcham, '92, captain; Clothier, '90; Sweet, '90; Temple, '91; and Sproul, '91. On the occasion of the game with Dickinson College we had a visit from Brothers Boyer, Mills, Eveland, and Hynson, of Pennsylvania Zeta.

The work of re-establishing the Iota Chapter at the University of Pennsylvania seems to be going bravely on, and the prospects are that the chapter will have re-assumed its old strength and influence before many months are past. A few days ago a banquet of the $\Phi \Psi$ alumni of the university was held in Philadelphia, and over forty persons were present. The subject of reviving the chapter was thoroughly discussed, and since then considerable progress has been made. When I met one of the undergraduate members a week or two ago he informed me that they then had four active members in the university, besides a number of members of other chapters in the Law and Medical departments, and more initiations were then in prospect. This encouraging report from Iota is particularly gratifying to us at Swarthmore, as Iota was Kappa's mother chapter, and the ties between them are as they should be—very close.

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania, November 13, 1889.

CORNELL.

Since last we wrote a new brother has been added to our chapter. Henry G. Carpenter, of Lebanon Springs, New York, initiated October 26th, being the latest rider of the fraternity goat. He is a sophomore and a most worthy acquisition.

At present New York Alpha is earnestly considering the plan of building a chapter house. Steps have been taken toward the incorporation of the chapter under the laws of the State, trustees have been elected, committee appointed to consider a suitable site, and altogether it looks as if '94 would see Φ \K Ψ established in a new and elegant home of its own at Cornell, instead of living in a rented home. The active members of the chapter are taking a great deal of interest in the project, and showing that interest by their financial backing of the scheme. If our alumni are equally loyal, and we are confident they will be, the new house is a thing assured to us. I will explain in a subsequent letter our plans for raising the necessary money. As trustees we have elected Profs. Hodder, Merritt and Bros. Burnett, '89, Bissel, '91, Tone, '91.

Cornell has shown that at foot ball she deserves and has earned the title of champion of New York. The eleven has defeated Bucknell, Rochester, Lafayette, Stevens, and in a game with Yale on the New Haven grounds was defeated 56-6, and on our own campus by Yale 70-0.

Brother Mackey, Lafayette, comes to Cornell next year.

We have had the pleasure of a visit from Brother Slade, of Hobart, this month.

E. H. HULBERT.

Ithaca, New York, November 10, 1889.

SYRACUSE.

New York Beta sends her greeting to THE SHIELD and to the fraternity at large, and assures all of her continued prosperity. We opened the year with eleven men, one of whom has since left us to go to Hobart.

Our goat has had a magnificent bout, bringing in on his back four new brothers, Messrs. Brewer, Hines, Pinney, and Kirkland. At our usual initiation banquet the new Φ Ψ s enjoyed their first social contact with the entire chapter, and showed their enthusiasm and good cheer in spicy, spirited toasts. Our fifth man is pledged, and the fraternity may gladly anticipate the initiation of Mr. B. C. Miller, of Herkimer, New York, the son of Ex-senator Warner Miller, which will take place in the near future.

Our rivals have all been successful this year, and though they found Φ \K Ψ formidable opponents, they found us generous and gentlemanly.

A new sorority has appeared among us, in the Chi Chapter of \K Λ Θ . The new chapter started in very prosperously, and secured some prizes that were much sought after.

We might mention here that Brother Piper, '89, was instrumental in aiding the founding of the chapter, and that, in their appreciation of his services, the young ladies presented him with a beautiful fac-simile of the \K Λ Θ pin, in silver, with a suitable inscription, very flattering to the fortunate recipient.

Brother Piper now represents Φ \K Ψ in the faculty, he having this year been appointed assistant to Professor Hoovel, in the department of Theistic Science.

We received short visits from Brother Alabaster, of Illinois Alpha, Brother Wilcox, of New York Alpha, Brothers Gatley and Murray, of Hobart, and from Brothers Walrath, Wright, and Burritt, our own alumni.

Brother Statham is now president of the Glee Club, and of the College Athletic Association.

Brother Burlingame is back this year, and that his former popularity has not abated is manifest from his being elected treasurer of the class of '91.

"Brevity is the soul of wit," so, lest this letter be too long drawn out, let us say farewell for a month; not, however, without assuring Φ \K Ψ of our loyalty to her and to her interests, and with our best wishes for the success of the monthly of monthlies, THE SHIELD of Φ \K Ψ .

HENRY DANZIGER, JR.

Syracuse, New York, November 11, 1889.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Virginia Beta flourishes this year like some rare exotic in the genial warmth of an American hot-house. We were fortunate in losing but one member last year, our Brother Quarles, who now stands on Center street, Louisville, Kentucky, beckoning the general public to read the bright little sign above his office door, which announces that therein may be found one learned and mighty in the law.

We were unusually sorry to lose Brother Q., though under his guardianship our frat. passed two very prosperous years, but his G. P.-ship has been succeeded by Brother Samuel Garland Anspach, who has no superiors and but few equals as a good all-around man. This was proven in last year's contests, the result of which in general we have perhaps never announced to our sister Phi Psi fraternities.

Brother Anspach won the F. O. French scholarship, value \$300, and given only to the student standing highest in scholarship in all departments. The honor was well-won. Bro. W. H. Winfree, Richmond, Virginia, carried off the Hamilton Law scholarship, while Bro. James Quarles was victor in the annual oratorical contest, and now has in his possession a beautiful gold medal—the victor's spoils. "Distinguished proficiencies" became very common among the Phi Psi boys at the close of the term, for all had high class records.

Notwithstanding these honors our heads are not yet turned. We have come this year with new interests, and hope to sustain our past record. Brother Winfree remained through the summer in Lexington in the capacity of private secretary to Gen. G. W. C. Lee, our venerable president. He did the "calico" and lawn tennis act well, kept the "Bug" hall in trim and prepared the way for a clean sweep this year.

The Washington and Lee University opened its present session September 12th. The number of students has increased forty over last year, and it is

larger than it has been for five years, and there are some exceptionally good men among them. Have the Phi Psi boys been dormant? No. They have cultivated the acquaintance and made friends of everybody. And in the line of "goats" they have captured one of whom they are proud, and who promises to make a record as a student. I speak of Bro. J. W. Davis, of Clarksburg, West Virginia. He comes well prepared; a good start towards his A. B., which he will take at Washington and Lee—cyclones, tornadoes or other disasters not preventing. He is perhaps a superb equestrian, for the goat was ridden with extreme gallantry.

Our eyes are open and we will perhaps add a few more to our list. We will need them, for of the present eight members but two expect to return next year. Our pride is in *good* material. Put it down, brother, that every time Virginia Beta announces a new victim from this out, there will be something in it. The names and geographical origin of the members of our happy family is as follows: S. G. Anspach, Liberty, Va.; W. H. Winfree, Richmond, Va.; Hale Houston, Wyoming, Ohio; Rees Turpin, K. S. Miller, Carrollton, and R. L. Harper, Clinton, Mo.; J. W. Davis, Clarksburg, W. Va.; C. R. Watson, Danville, Va.

We greet all brethren in the common cause.

ROBERT L. HARPER.

Lexington, Va., November 4, 1889.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY.

Johns Hopkins University re-opened on October 1st, with better prospects in every way than ever before, and the various fraternity men immediately bunched themselves, and after counting noses, began an active search for desirable men among incoming students. Maryland Alpha has gathered in three new and most desirable members, namely: Horace Burrough, W. W. Willoughby and T. Morris Brown, and within the coming week or two we will still further augment our number.

Maryland Alpha this year includes four of the best players on the Varsity foot ball team, the captain among them; three members of the base ball team, and three of the Lacrosse team, all of the latter playing on the famous Druid Champion Lacrosse Club.

We suffered considerably this fall by the loss of three of our most active brethren, Messrs. Dashiell, Robinson and Lazear.

Mr. Dashiell is at Lehigh this year teaching the youth of that institution how of themselves great chemists, foot ballists and base ballists to make; and, it is unnecessary to add, that he is more than competent to do all of it.

Brother Robinson, who established his chapter's reputation by his description of "Maryland Alpha's goat," at the G. A. C. in Washington last spring, is studying law.

Brother Lazear has not been heard from as yet.

Brother Eckles, of Grand Catalogue fame, has been transferred to Maryland Alpha, and we are proud of our acquisition.

The rivalry among the various fraternities at Johns Hopkins University this year is more intense than ever before, and one of the number, probably fearing dissolution, became so alarmed at the state of affairs that it proposed measures of amicability, and tried to have the other fraternities indorse them, but the idea did not seem to catch, as the feeling of rivalry daily increases, and nearly all of the chapters have obtained regular quarters for their assemblies.

Maryland Alpha is located in a large four-story building on Franklin St., and we occupy all of it except the ground floor, and own all the furniture. Our prospects for the present year are first class, and as Brother Carey complacently remarks, "We have got plenty of dingbats."

C. R. MCKAY.

Baltimore, Maryland, November 12, 1889.

WITTENBERG COLLEGE.

Time has been and is flitting by, but Ohio Beta has been and is endeavoring to grasp it by the "forelock," and can unconceitedly say that she has been successful so far as circumstances would allow. The birds of Phi Kappa Psi have been up betimes in the morning, and have proved the accuracy of the old proverb by obtaining their quota of worms, or, in other language, barbs, and have developed them, by means of the goat, from the chrysalis into the full-fledged Phi Psi. This system of evolution may not be strictly Darwinian, but it is Phi Psian.

As a result of these changes in nature, it is our proud privilege to introduce to you Bros. Will A. Bauer and Robert Cochran, of '93, and Bro. John M. Criley, '92, of Findlay, Ohio. The first two are residents of this city. Bro. Will Bauer is a brother in blood of Bro. Charles L. Bauer, '89, and promises to prove as congenial a spirit as the well-known Charley. Bro. John M. Criley—and thereby hangs a tale. In the days of his youth, before his discriminating powers were developed, he joined Phi Gamma Delta at Bucknell; but upon coming to Wittenberg he found he did not trot in the Phi Gam's class, and never having been much attached to the fraternity at large, and, in fact, not having been connected with them at all for a number of years, he resigned and was swung by $\Phi K \Psi$ on the 6th of this month. Outside of these valuable acquisitions the material at Wittenberg has been, in the language of the tariff men, rather raw.

Beta Theta Pi has initiated one man.

The membership of the frats is as follows: Beta Theta Pi, 20; Alpha Tau Omega, 9; Phi Gamma Delta, 9; and Phi Kappa Psi, 10. The Betas have numbers and some good students, but are far from being a fraternity. The Phi Gams also have some good students, but are anything but a credit to their fraternity.

Ohio Beta has resumed her series of *musicales* by giving a very pleasant entertainment in her chapter-hall on the 8th. The following was the programme:

Chapter Letters.

PART I.

1. Quartette.—“The Church in the Wildwood”.....Yale Song.
PHI PSI QUARTETTE.
2. Violin Solo.—“Reverie,” *Vieuxtemps.*
W. A. BAUER.
3. Soprano Solo.—“When the Heart is Young,” *Dudley Buck.*
MISS ANNE E. LINN.
4. Flute Solo.—“Gretchen am Spinnrade,” *Schubert.*
G. B. HILLER.
5. Bass Solo.—“Love’s Old Sweet Song,” *Molloy.*
A. C. EHRENFELD.
6. Piano Solo.—“Valse Caprice,” *Rubenstein.*
MISS BERTHA FALCONER.

PART II.

1. Piano Duet.—“Concert Waltzes,” *Gottschak.*
MISS MARIE FOLEY and C. L. BAUER.
2. Tenor Solo.—“My Dearest Heart,” *Sullivan.*
R. H. HILLER.
3. Piano Solo.—“Tarentelle,” (Op. 14) *N. Rubenstein.*
MISS IRENE SPANGLER.
4. Soprano Solo.—“My Lady’s Bower,” *Hope Temple.*
MISS ANNE E. LINN.
5. Violin Solo.—“Cradle Song,” *Hauser.*
W. A. BAUER.
6. Quartette.—“On the Chapel Steps,” College Glee.
PHI PSI QUARTETTE.

Besides the active chapter, quite a number of the alumni, and, of course, the ladies were present.

Hoping the editor will not think this letter too long, we close with best greeting to all.

HENRY F. MACCRACKEN.

Springfield, Ohio, November 11, 1889.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Another month of the college year has passed, and it is again my pleasant duty to address THE SHIELD, and our sister chapters. We have not been idle during this time, and I take great pleasure in introducing Bros. Elmer G. Rice, of Columbus, and Ernest T. Johnson, of Newark, Ohio. They were, as a member of one of our rivals expressed it, “an elegant haul.” Brother Johnson received bids from three of the other fraternities, but—we are modest. The initiation occurred October 19th, and Ohio Δ fully sustained her record of making things interesting for the initiates. We all like the new ritual very much, and think it a great improvement over the old. After the initiation we adjourned to the rooms of the Commercial Club, and enjoyed a light spread; then, after listening to speeches by the “twins,” we parted well satisfied with our evening’s work.

The same day we enjoyed the company of about twenty Ohio A boys for a short time, while they were waiting for a train. It is hardly necessary for us to say they were a jolly good crowd, for who ever saw a crowd of Phi Psis who were not?

Fraternity fights have been scarce here this fall; the one over Brother Johnson being the only one. The Chi Phis suffered quite a loss last summer, losing their hall and fixtures in one of the many large fires with which Columbus has been visited during the last six months.

It seems to us that Brother Wilson's views on extension present the best way out of the difficulty; and, Brother Van Cleve, we will not say much about a Columbus Phi Psi Alumni Association now, but if a scheme we now have on foot proves successful we hope to have some news in that line.

Brother Rice has been very ill during the last three weeks, but is rapidly recovering and we hope to see him in college next week.

Our university is rapidly taking its place in the front rank of American colleges. The three new professors are well liked, and are infusing new interest in the work of their departments. The new Electrical Laboratory is about complete, and when equipped will be one of the finest, if not the finest, in the country. Work on the Chemical Laboratory is being pushed forward, so as to have it ready for equipment when the Legislature meets in January. It is a large, two-story, pressed brick building, and without doubt will be the best of its kind in the United States; for Professor Bohannon, our Mathematician, (with a big M) formerly of the University of Virginia, in speaking of it said, that the Chemical Laboratory of the latter institution *was* the finest in the country, but that ours would set it in the shade.

With best wishes to all Phi Psis we close for this time, but hope to let you hear from us every month.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, November 15, 1889.

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY,

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD we have added two loyal brothers to our number, Bros. Walter E. Ervin, '93, of Kokomo, Ind., and Earnest Ruffner, '93, of Quincy, Ill. Both are exceptionally fine men, and were eagerly sought after by several other fraternities. With the addition of these two brothers, we have 21 active members, divided as follows: Seniors, 4; juniors, 6; sophomores, 6; freshmen, 5.

We aim to cultivate the friendship of the other fraternity men here, and find it to be the best and most pleasant policy.

Numerically the fraternities represented here are as follows: Δ K E, 22; Φ Δ Θ, 21; Δ Υ, 19; Δ Γ Δ, 18; Σ X, 16; Β Θ Π, 15; Δ T Δ, 12.

Considerable interest is being shown in athletic sports this year, and the foot-ball eleven expect to rank high in the coming contests with the other colleges in the state.

Out of the "eleven" we have Brothers Ruffner, captain and quarter-back;

Walker, half-back; Rudy, Littleton, and Houts, rushers. These are all the fraternity men on the team.

On account of the very favorable impression created by the Zouaves of the military school in their tour of the state last year, greater interest is shown in this feature than ever before, and many are the applications for membership. Brother Walker, '90, is captain of the Zouaves by virtue of his majorship of the battallion. We will also have two or three others in the company.

In our fraternity we have considerable musical talent, and a regular organization in this line, Brother Neff, '90, has general control of the music, with Brother Crawford, '93, director of stringed instruments, and Brother Murlin, '91, in charge of the vocalists. In the orchestra we have first violin, mandolin, three guitars, and second violin, represented by Brothers Crawford, Porter, Rudy, Houts, Watson, and Fitch. Quartette: First tenor, Crawford; second tenor, Murlin; first bass, Ervin; second bass, Zaring.

As an outgrowth of our musical turn we give a "Music and Conversation" in our hall Friday evening, November 22nd, to our lady friends and *Fratres in facultate*.

Although we are interested in college athletics, society, etc., our greatest pride is our class record. Probably our scheme of having class committees, whose duty it is to consult the several professors relative to "our boys," has much to do with our success in this particular. These reports are of great interest, and show splendid records of nearly all in the chapter; and if perchance any brother seems to neglect his work, he is encouraged to renewed effort. This scheme is used by us alone here, and creates with the faculty a very high opinion of our fraternity.

In the recent state convention of the Y. M. C. A., at Lafayette, De Pauw was represented by thirty-five or more students.

Under Acting-president John, De Pauw prospers as never before. All departments are fuller than usual, and all are delighted with the present management. We herewith extend a hearty welcome to all Phi Psis.

CHARLES H. HOUTS.

Greencastle, Indiana, November 14, 1889.

WABASH COLLEGE.

Once more it is my pleasant duty to contribute Indiana Γ 's greetings to our bright journal, *THE SHIELD*, and to all our sister chapters. Added to this I have the pleasure of introducing to the fraternity at large our new initiate, Bro. Will Hutchings, '93, of Crawfordsville, Ind. Brother Hutchings is one of the best students, and one of the most popular men of his class. The $\Phi \Psi$ pin well becomes him, and he wears it with the utmost naturalness.

The rushing season has almost closed for this season, and we feel somewhat flushed with our successes. Your scribe has the honor of representing our chapter on the foot-ball eleven as one of the half-backs. On the 16th we played the Bloomington team at Bloomington. Score resulted 40 to 2 in our favor. Indiana Beta was well represented on the Bloomington team, and we

will only state that if all the team had played as well as they the score might have been somewhat different. Brother King, of our own chapter, graduate of Yale in '89, president of the Foot-ball Association there, refereed the game. King coached our team here for a couple of weeks, and has shown himself to be thoroughly conversant with the game.

After the game we became the guests of Indiana Beta, and spent a most pleasant evening. We found them to be one of the most enthusiastic chapters possible—each and every man a thorough Phi Kappa Psi. Our wish is that they may return the visit soon.

The coming Saturday we will meet Purdue on our home grounds.

Bro. Maurice Butler, '87, was in the city last week for a few days. Brother Butler is now one of the firm of Butler, McDonald & Snow, of Indianapolis.

Brother Crouse, '91, we are sorry to state, will leave us Thanksgiving and be in college no more this year. He will be in again next year, however. We lose in Brother Crouse one of our best and most enthusiastic workers.

Wabash College has received several large endowments recently. The chair of English Literature, held by Bro. A. B. Milford, was endowed with \$40,000 last week. Also other endowments aggregating \$30,000 for new chapel and library buildings.

Wabash is rapidly becoming *the* college of the West. Located in one of Indiana's best towns, with the best library, best museum, the finest campus, the largest and most commodious buildings, and a faculty composed of such men as John Coulter and A. B. Milford, what obstacles can stand against it? Our number of students is increasing yearly, our athletic associations always lead, our alumni are becoming the prominent men of the West. With such a bright history, with such a bright future, what may we not aim at?

Best wishes for THE SHIELD, and all.

J. S. MCFADDIN.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, November 18, 1889.

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY.

October has come, and has found the university started and the students hard at work. The University of Michigan has grown at a very rapid rate, anyway for the last five or ten years, and last year she rivalled Harvard for numerical greatness. This year she will enroll twenty-one or two hundred, which will place her ahead of every university in the country.

October also finds us Φ Ψs back here with the loss of our seniors, Brothers Holden, Rush, Preble, Loomis, and Bannon. We will introduce five new brothers to you: Bro. Philip S. Gardiner, of Lyons, Iowa; Bro. Sam'l C. Parks, Jr. (a cousin of S. C. Parks, '85), of Lander, Wyoming; Bros. Joseph and Edgar Morsman, of Omaha, and Bro. William J. Curren, of Chicago. We have pledged also Dave Trainer, Jr., of Chester, Pa., who was recommended to us by Brother Sproul, of Pennsylvania Kappa. He is a large fellow and is a good foot-ball player, and will undoubtedly be on the university eleven. Also John Van Nortwick, of Batavia, Ill., is pledged. These fellows will keep Michigan Alpha ahead of other frats here.

The Pan-American Congress paid our university a visit October 17th, and they were treated in a hearty manner which they will long remember. The classes in departments were marshalled and marched down to the depot to meet the delegates. From there they were conducted to the main hall, where, after they were treated to the different class-yells, Prexy delivered an address welcoming them. They were given a reception in the library in the evening, and they left at 11 o'clock that night. They were escorted to the depot by a procession of students (frat. men) dressed in night-gowns and pillow-cases, with torch-lights and rockets. Speeches were made by the delegates, and they said that they had enjoyed the reception given them by the students better than any other which they had had. They paid our university the compliment that it was the finest in America.

The freshman-sophomore rush took place yesterday, and '93 won the first goal. The other goals will be played next Saturday. The University-Albion foot-ball game yesterday resulted in a victory for the University of Michigan. Score, 36-4.

Michigan Alpha was never in better condition than now. With best wishes for THE SHIELD and for our sister chapters, and a cordial invitation to visit us to all the brothers, we close.

C. C. WARREN.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, November 11, 1889.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

In the October SHIELD we reported the names of four new initiates. But even this number did not satisfy us, and our sifting process on class '93 was assiduously continued. Here is the result: Bros. Harl Myers and C. C. Harvey, on both of whom our "Billy" gracefully "performed" and found not wanting.

Among those introduced in our last letter was Bro. William Larabee, Jr., since then we have learned of a new factor which was instrumental in winning him for us. We had naturally taken all the credit to ourselves, but it appears that last spring, while on an eastern trip with his father, he met our distinguished brother, Governor Foraker, and it was there that he received his first sound advice regarding $\Phi K \Psi$.

While passing through here last week, Bro. "Chuck" Schroeder could not resist stopping off to pay us—and the girls—a very enjoyable visit.

All interest at our university is just now directed to the agitation for a Y. M. C. A. building. The subscriptions have exceeded all expectations, and a building to the value of at least \$25,000 seems assured.

We have just sent out our first annual circular-letter. We are convinced that a system of regular communication with alumni is absolutely necessary to keep up their interest, and believe all chapters will find it to their interest to adopt such a plan.

H. W. TECHENTIN.

Iowa City, Iowa, November 15, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

We have to send our letter to *THE SHIELD* a few days before we hold our alumni banquet, at which we expect that a Minneapolis and St. Paul alumni association will be formed. We hope, however, that we shall be able to send in a report of this auspicious event in time for publication.

Let us introduce Bro. Halsey Wilson, '93, who was born into the chapter last week. Brother Wilson was at the university two years ago, but since that time he has given his attention entirely to the study of music in which he has become very proficient. We are glad to have another brother who can "discourse sweet music."

We feel a little timid about discussing university matters in the chapter letter, as last month, by some mistake, our magazine got into the hands of one of the barbarian gentlemen whom we had been roasting, and some little misunderstanding arose in consequence. It is proverbial that listeners seldom hear any good of themselves.

Fraternity circles have been agitated of late over the action of Minnesota Alpha Chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. It seems that the chapter here, which is one of the strongest in the fraternity, has been for some time past strenuously opposing the extension policy of that omnivorous organization. At the last convention the chapter was unrepresented, and it is generally supposed that they have resigned their charter. If this be true, there is very little doubt but that they expect a charter from some other fraternity, and rumor says it is $\Delta K E$. We are awaiting developments.

At the National Convention of $K A \Theta$ sorority, held at Bloomington, Indiana, last month, it was decided that the journal should be published by the Υ chapter at the University of Minnesota. This is the third fraternity journal that has come here; the others being *Anchors* of $\Delta \Gamma$, and *Rainbow* of $\Delta T \Delta$.

THEODORE G. SOARES.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, November 6, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC.

Since writing our last chapter letter California Alpha has initiated two more men, Brothers Robert L. Gruwell and Clark B. Whittier. Both these men are good, active fellows and will make true Phi Psis. Brothers Whittier and Gruwell were initiated on the spur of the moment, and rode the goat, or rather Brother Blake, in vigorous style. During "preliminary exercises" they seemed to think that we were fooling with them, but now they are waiting impatiently for the next man. And we have no doubts that that will be at a near date. We now have four good men in '93 and will have more. There is one good thing in not having another fraternity here, however much there would be in favor of it, and that is that we can study a man quite a while before we take him in. One of our alumni, who has been studying in the East, told us at our last meeting, after hearing the names of several persons discussed, that he thought that our chapter was about as particular in what kind of men we took in as any chapter he knew of. If we had another chapter of some fraternity

here we might have to work harder for good men and we might have more rivalry, but as the case now stands the barbs. are continually working and talking against us so all is not so easy as it might be. We now number seventeen good fellows and hope to rise to twenty or more before the year is over. There are quite a number of other fraternity men at our college, most of whom since they have no frat. of their own here, always have a good word to say for the fraternity system which they believe in.

California Alpha is always glad to see Phi Psis, and if any come our way let them come to College Park, near San Jose, and we will give them the grip with a right good will. We now have seven fraters living in our chapter house and will have two or three more after Christmas. Our Chinese cook, Jim "Phi Psi," as he is called, got some devils in him (so he said) and had to go away for a time to be cured, but the evil spirits have been exorcised and Jim has come back as good as can be.

Our Conservatory of Music building is rapidly nearing completion, and before a great while will be roofed in. It is contracted to be completed in January.

Our president, Dr. Hirst, about a month ago met with what might have been quite a serious accident. As he was returning from the conference at Monterey a stone was thrown at the train by a boy, and the missile striking the car window shattered the glass, and a small fragment flew across the car striking the president in the eye and cutting the ball. For some time Dr. Hirst was confined to his room, but now is around again, although he wears a dark glass over the injured eye. He will not, however, lose his sight, and of this all the students rejoice. Dr. Hirst will leave on Monday for the East to visit some eastern colleges, and in all probability before some of our readers read this they will have seen him.

Our annual contest comes off the Friday before Christmas. Brothers Blake and Von Glahn will represent Phizonia and Brothers Rich and Beasley, Archania. Hoping that this will be a prosperous year for THE SHIELD, for the fraternity at large, and that all our chapters will be far stronger at the end of this year than now, and that many new chapters will be established in the West, North, South and East.

E. A. WILCOX.

College Park, Cal., October 16, 1889.

Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA I.

'89. Bro. Charles A. Walker is at Crozer Theological Seminary.

'91. Bro. C. E. Shuster is reading law at his home at Renovo, Pa.

'80. Bro. W. Coulston recently conducted chapel exercises in Bucknell Hall.

'91. A. Lincoln Moore recently supplied the pulpit of the Danville Baptist church.

'91. Bro. W. Norman Morris is teaching school in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

'91. Bro. W. J. Wilkinson is bookkeeper for a coal mining company at St. Clair, Pennsylvania.

'89. Bro. O. E. Abraham is in the Law Department of Columbia College, New York City.

'84. Rev. W. A. Hand was married to Miss Matilda B. Williams, of Patterson, New Jersey.

'89. Bro. W. C. Gretzinger is the affable and successful business manager of Bucknell University.

'87. Bro. John C. Eccleston is general secretary of the city water works at Parana, Argentine Republic.

'88. Professor Harry Kelly spent his vacation attending summer school at Amherst College, Massachusetts.

'82. Rev. Henry Madtes, formerly of Sharpsville, has assumed the pastorate of the Baptist church at New Castle, Pa.

'87. Bro. H. L. Calder, late Archon of the First District, has been admitted to the practice of law at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

'91. Clayton Bennett, formerly of '91, is now a member of the lumber firm of Moyer, Kirk & Bennett, Denver, Colorado.

'90. J. H. Haslam delivered an address on "Christian Unity," before the Christian Workers Convention of Union County.

'92. Bro. C. Koonce has been chosen by the faculty as one of the declaimers for the public exhibition soon to be given in Bucknell Hall.

'89. Bro. O. B. Finn is studying electrical engineering at University of Pennsylvania, and Bro. Joe M. Wolfe is in the same course at Cornell.

'54. Rev. Robert Lowry, D. D., preached a most inspiring sermon on "Christ, the Authority," before the Education Society at Lewisburg, October 22d.

'92. G. Fred Love, formerly of '92, has begun preparations for the ministry in the University of Rochester. Fred is the leading spirit in foot ball at that institution.

'83. Rev. W. J. Coulston, of Hollidaysburg, accompanied the relief corps from that town to Johnstown, entering the city on Monday after the flood, and did good service.

'72. Rev. J. W. Putnam, pastor of Temple Baptist church, Philadelphia, spent his vacation in Europe, sailing per steamer City of Berlin, July 31st. His wife accompanied him.

'59. Bro. W. H. Conrad read a paper before the Baptist Association entitled, "Two Hundred Years of Baptist Growth in Pennsylvania." The paper was an eloquent one, and evinced careful preparation.

Rev. Bernard McMackin, '74, of Bryn Mawr, and Miss Jeannette Callaghan, of Philadelphia, were married June 27th, at Angors, Philadelphia, by Rev. J. E. Craig, assisted by Rev. George Anderson, D. D.

'54. Bro. Robert Lowry, D. D., delivered the jubilee sermon before the Pennsylvania Baptist Association at Lewisburg. The Doctor preached with great power, and frequently the vast congregation, attracted by the eminence of the speaker and moved by his matchless eloquence, broke forth in suppressed applause.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

Prof. D. Fleisher, Ph. D., '80, will be alumni orator next commencement.

Rev. E. T. Horn, D. D., '69, is the President of the United Synod of the South, and second to none in influence.

William M. Duncan, '83, has left Harrison, Arkansas, for Eureka Springs, in the same State, to take charge as Cashier of the Citizens' Bank, and his brother John succeeds him at Harrison.

Robert M. Harding, '85, is still connected with the U. S. Signal Service. We learn through Dr. D. C. R. Miller, of Mason and Dixon, Pennsylvania, that he is now in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Robert W. Short, formerly of '89, is Assistant Postmaster at Mechanicsburg. He has lost none of his interest in *Alma Mater*, and was recently here with some friends from Indiana to take a look at the improvements.

We had the pleasure, several weeks ago in Hagerstown, of taking Dr. J. W. Humrichouse, '69, by the hand. He has already gained an enviable reputation as a physician, and is kept very busy.—*Pennsylvania College Monthly*.

Prof. G. D. Stahley, M. D., '71, will enter on duty, this month, as the "Dr. Charles H. Graff Professor of Hygiene and Physical Culture." He will proceed at once to secure the proper data as to the weights and measurements of the students, and keep a careful and systematic record for future comparisons.—*Pennsylvania College Monthly*.

It is with special sadness that we record the death of Charles H. Graff, M. D., '76, which occurred in Duluth, Minnesota, on September 29th. Dr. Stahley was the first to notify us of it, and he adds: "It is really a very sad occurrence. Charlie had an immense practice and was greatly liked." He died of typhoid fever, after several weeks sickness. He was born November 10, 1854, at Buffalo Mills, Pennsylvania, and was therefore, not quite 35 years of age. After graduating here, he spent three years in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania where he received his professional degree. The next two years he spent in the hospitals of Vienna and the University of Göttingen. He went to Duluth in 1881. Some time afterwards he went to Sweden to study its language and attend lectures in Stockholm. In 1887-'88 he spent a year in foreign travel, spending the winter in Egypt and the Holy Land. Like the other members of the family, he was full of energy and very industrious. The *Duluth News* says: "If one word had to be chosen to characterize Dr. Graff, that word would be 'student.' * * It might also be said that he sacrificed his life to his insatiable thirst for knowledge." We quote the following expressions from the same paper: "In the front rank of his profession." "Great skill both as a physician and surgeon, making his services in constant demand." "Learned in his profession, cultured in mind, genial in nature, and generous in heart, Dr. Graff will be sadly missed and deeply mourned, not only by those who are connected with

him by ties of blood, but by friends many and warm." Those who knew kind, big-hearted Charlie Graff as a student here will not be surprised at the following closing words of the *News*: "Eulogies will be spoken, and a monument reared over his last resting-place, but the truest, grandest tribute which will be paid to the worth of Dr. Graff, will be the tears and blessings of the hundreds of poor, to whom, in sickness or accident, he not only gave freely of his time and skill, but of his means as well, providing for those who were unable to procure them for themselves, the medicines and dainty food that brought them back to health." Dr. Graff was not married, and his estate has become his father's, Mr. Peter Graff, who, as we have already announced, has decided to use \$25,000 of it in endowing a professorship here in honor of his gifted son. A better or more enduring monument he could not rear to his memory.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

We clip the following account of the marriage of Miss Mary L. Baird to Dr. Edward O. Shakespeare, '67, from the *Philadelphia Press*:

"A very large company filled Baird Memorial Chapel, at Darby, yesterday noon, for the wedding of Miss Mary L. Baird, daughter of the late Matthew Baird, to Dr. Edward O. Shakespeare. It was the first wedding ever solemnized in this church, and the minister, Rev. Dr. James Roberts, assisted by Rev. Charles W. Buoy, had prepared a special service, and entirely based on the Scriptures. The church was profusely decorated with plants and flowers.

"A special train brought out the guests, and six four-horse coaches carried them to the Baird family residence, an old homestead with magnificent grounds.

"The bride, a tall, stately girl, is heiress to nearly \$2,000,000, and is noted for her quiet charities. When a mere child her father, Matthew Baird, placed in bank, to her credit, the sum of \$100,000, with the distinct understanding that she was not to touch it until she came of age, and rumor has it that she never yet had occasion to use one penny of it. She entered the church leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Charles Baird, arrayed in a magnificent bridal dress of heavy white faille, trimmed with rich old point lace, while her light, wavy hair was encircled in a veil of tulle and lace, trailing on the floor; a large solitaire diamond glistened as a crown on her head, while diamond bracelets, earrings of pearls and a diamond necklace adorned her. The groom, Dr. Shakespeare, is one of the leading medical lights of the city, who has recently returned from an extended tour of inquiry into the cholera germs in Spain and other countries. He is a recognized authority on bacteriology, and has contributed many papers and books to the literature of the present day on that and kindred medical subjects.

"After the ceremony the company repaired to the Baird mansion, where, amid a perfect bower of roses, chrysanthemums, lillies of the valley, the wedding breakfast was served. Each guest was presented with a costly souvenir of the occasion, enclosed in a velvet case."

PENNSYLVANIA H.

Bro. James Beisecker, of Somerset, Pennsylvania, who has been in poor health for some time, has gone to the Las Vegas Hot Springs to recuperate.

PENNSYLVANIA θ.

'90, John Hoke is still sick at his home in Chambersburg.

B. C. Babbit, '91, has been appointed manager of the second football team.

'91. Phillips visited friends in Easton, October 15th. He left for Philadelphia next morning.

'77. Prof. S. A. Martin, of Lincoln University, has been supplying very acceptably a number of Philadelphia pulpits during the summer.

'88. "Beef" Cummins, who was the anchor of the foot-ball team while in college, is now playing with the Dover Field Club team of Wilmington.

G. D. McIlvaine, ex-'90, now in St. Paul, is playing the position that made him famous here, half-back, with the Minnesotas, the crack team of the State. It is composed mostly of Yale and Princeton men.

PENNSYLVANIA K.

M. L. Clothier, '90, delivered to President Sharpless, of Haverford College, on Wednesday last, the honorary degree of LL. D., which was conferred upon him at the last Swarthmore commencement.

At a meeting of the foot-ball men on Monday, Charles B. Ketcham, '92, was elected captain of the college team, vice Morris L. Clothier, '90, resigned. Ketcham has had an excellent training at the game, having been prepared for college at one of the New England preparatory schools, where the game is made a specialty in athletics. His work this year has been at full-back, and he has made a fine record. He is a son of Congressman General John H. Ketcham, of New York.

PITTSBURGH PHI PSIS — Continued.

N. N. Patten, McKeesport, Pa. *A.*

E. P. Swift, M. D., Blairsville, Pa. *I.*

J. M. Baldrige, Beaver Falls, Pa. *θ.*

William C. Bartol, Mansfield, Pa. *A.*

Rev. N. G. Miller, McKeesport, Pa. *B.*

Rev. S. M. Davis, McKeesport, Pa. *B.*
 D. Clark Huffman, McKeesport, Pa. *B.*
 T. C. Wallace, 100 Juniata street, Pa. *A.*
 Rev. James M. McJunkin, Oakdale, Pa. *A.*
 Harry Rowand, Verona, A. V. R. R., Pa. *A.*
 J. W. McKelvy, Swissvale, Pa. R. R., Pa. *B.*
 Harry F. Fisher, Market near Bidwell, Pa. *A.*
 Rev. B. F. Beazell, Forbes and Boquet, Pa. *B.*
 Rev. H. T. McClelland, Allegheny City, Pa. *A.*
 Colin M. Reed, Insurance, 516 Market street, Pa. *A.*
 J. M. Swearigan, attorney at law, 96 Diamond street.
 Elisha M. Robinson, 620 Roup street, E. E., Pa. *B.*
 B. F. Mavey, 184 Sheffield, Allegheny City, Pa. *A.*
 R. K. Flemming, M. D., 6217 Station street, Pa. *B.*
 Charles Wise, student at law, 400 Grant street, Pa. *A.*
 G. G. Oliver, student at law, Bakewell Building, Pa. *A.*
 J. H. Johnston, attorney at law, 400 Grant street, Pa. *A.*
 Frank McKelvy, attorney at law, 412 Grant street, Pa. *Z.*
 W. A. Lewis, attorney at law, 96 Diamond street, Pa. *B.*
 William F. Wise, attorney at law, 400 Grant street, Pa. *A.*
 Rev. C. V. Wilson, Alder, near Emerson, E. E., Pa. *B.*
 Roger Williams, M. D., 6000 Pennsylvania avenue, Pa. *B.*
 Thomas McCann, M. D., 928 Pennsylvania avenue, Pa. *A.*
 Charles P. Robinson, attorney at law, 110 Diamond street, Pa. *B.*
 James S. McCreery, student at law, 91 Diamond St., Michigan *A.*
 W. S. Thomas, attorney at law, 410 Grant street, Pennsylvania *A.*
 Harry Elwood, with R. D. Elwood & Co., 1007 Liberty St., Pa. *A.*
 Grant Dibert, electrician, home Torrens Station, Pa. R. R., Pa. *K.*
 George R. Acheson, student at law, home Amberson, near Fifth,
 Pennsylvania *A.*

Guy P. McCandless, student of medicine, home 18 Centre avenue,
 Pennsylvania *I.*

William McKennan, attorney at law, Room 19 Bakewell Building,
 Pennsylvania *A.*

Arthur Hartwell, electrician, Pennsylvania and Murtland avenues,
 Westinghouse Club, Ohio *A.*

An enthusiastic meeting of the younger alumni members of the Phi
 Kappa Psi Fraternity was held last night at the office of Charles W. Ashley,
 403 Grant street, for the purpose of organizing an alumni association of
 the fraternity in this city. Members were present from the Pennsylvania

Alpha, Pennsylvania Beta, Pennsylvania Zeta, Pennsylvania Iota, Pennsylvania Kappa, Ohio Gamma, Michigan Alpha and District of Columbia Alpha chapters.

A committee, consisting of Charles W. Ashley, Albert J. Walker and Horace J. Miller, was appointed to make the necessary arrangements for a banquet to be held November 21st, at one of the leading hotels. Many of Pittsburgh's most prominent professional and business men are members of this fraternity.—*Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette*, Oct. 31, 1889.

VIRGINIA A.

Brother Saunders, '88, is a law student in the office of Secretary of the Interior J. W. Noble in St. Louis.

Bro. Walter DeR. Coles was first honor man at St. Louis Law School in 1889. He has opened an office in 307 Bank of Commerce Building.

Bro. Woodrow Wilson is Professor of History and Political Science at Wesleyan University, and is one of the lecturers at Johns Hopkins. He is said to be the most popular member of the Wesleyan faculty.

MARYLAND A.

Dr. E. R. L. Gould, '86, of the U. S. Bureau of Labor, is in Europe in charge of the tariff investigation.

'83. W. J. Alexander, formerly of Dalhousie College, Nova Scotia, was last spring elected Professor of English in the University of Toronto. He has gained considerable reputation by his *Introduction to Browning*, recently published.

The prospectus of the next series of Johns Hopkins University studies in History and Political Science, includes papers by two Phi Psis, F. W. Blackmar, California Alpha, '81, and W. W. Willoughby, Maryland Alpha, '88. In the last volume the fraternity were represented by W. P. Trent, Virginia Alpha, Professor of History in the University of the South.

OHIO A.

'83. Reports from W. N. Brewster, missionary at Singapore, Ind., indicate that he has lost none of his characteristic energy.

'85. Frank W. Roudebush, a rising attorney of Batavia, was elected Treasurer of Clermont County at the recent election.

On October 29th, Bro. LeRoy Colter was married in Delaware, Ohio, to Miss Flora Welch, and the happy couple are now at home at 84 Garfield

Place, Cincinnati, Ohio. Brother and "Sister" Welch are both loyal $\Phi \Psi$ s of the truest sort.

OHIO I.

U. S. G. Johnston, '87, is a junior in St. Louis Law School.

Charles M. Sherman, '79, is with the Equitable Life Insurance Co., corner of Tenth street and Postoffice Place. We hear that Charley is largely interested in Street Railways in his native city, Des Moines, Iowa.

INDIANA A.

C. C. Spencer, '89, is practicing law at Monticello, Indiana.

John W. Miller, '89, is preaching with success at Toledo, Illinois.

W. H. Axtell, '89, is attending College of Medicine at Cincinnati.

Frank O. Hester, '99, is principal in Thorntown, Indiana, schools.

Bro. Julian B. Downey is at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Harry H. Whitcomb, '69, is practicing law at Shelbyville, Indiana.

George B. Baker's address, '87, is now with S. H. Kean & Co., New York City.

Bro. John W. Cassel, '87, is located at Anderson Indiana, in the drug business.

Brother Dougan is superintendent of Clayton, Indiana, schools, and will re-enter next year.

Bros. J. E. Beeson and R. E. Kirkham, '88, are both located in the law at Richmond, Indiana.

Howard A. Fitch, '91, is employed by Minneapolis Street Railway Company, and is located at 607 First Ave., north.

T. H. Nelson, D. D., is pastor of one of the live Presbyterian churches of Brooklyn, New York. Address No. 48 Eighth Ave.

Perry Freeman is a successful lawyer at Richmond, Indiana, and is a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney at the coming election.

Will T. Neff, '81, formerly in the ministry and located at St. Louis and Ironton Missouri, is at Marysville, Tennessee, with his father, having had to resign his work on account of nervous prostration.

Brother Wilbur H. Fisk, '89, principal of Owensville, Indiana, schools, and Miss Edna Bayne, of Greencastle, were married at 3 P. M., November 7, 1889, at the beautiful residence of the bride's parents near University Place.

MICHIGAN A.

Bro. F. C. Cole, '81, is with S. A. Maxwell & Co., Chicago.

Brother Holden was elected Archon of the Fourth District.

Bro. G. Fred. Rush, '89, is receiver for the Hotel Bristol, Chicago.

Brother Hodder has received a full professorship of Political Economy at Cornell.

Bro. Fred. T. Wright, '86, is in Lander, Wyoming Territory, with S. C. Parks, '85.

Brother Holden, '89, is receiver for the Merchants National Detective Agency at Chicago.

Bro. Joe Denney, '85, is principal of the Aurora, Illinois, High School; Bro. Ross Cole, '88, is his assistant principal.

IOWA A.

Bro. Jno. E. Thompson is a junior in St. Louis Law School.

KANSAS A.

Denton Dunn, '87, is a junior in St. Louis Law School.

CALIFORNIA A.

E. P. Dennett, '82, is preaching at San Rafael.

W. S. Clayton, '84, and wife, visited Alaska this summer.

W. I. Hawkins, '85, recently visited San Jose and the vicinity.

Bros. Charles and Ed. Mering are studying law at Sacramento.

H. C. Richardson, '89, is studying theology at Boston University.

G. W. Elsey, '88, is one of the many architects of Seattle, Washington.

Bro. S. G. Tompkins, '86, is going to be married, so we hear at any rate.

C. E. Winning, '89, is manager of the Point Arena *Record*, a nice little paper.

Bro. J. J. Martin has been appointed to the Methodist Episcopal church at Redding, Colorado.

Bro. Cecil W. Mark, '88, has been elected vice-principal of the Hester school, quite a good position.

Fred. Ross, '87, was married during vacation to Miss Jennetta Wetherly. Good cheer and great prosperity to them.

B. F. Hall, '89, graduated November 12, 1889, from Department of Pharmacy in University of California.

J. A. Fairchild, '84, recently visited our chapter. He will soon return to San Diego where he is practicing law.

Bro. Willis Clayton, '84, was married a short time ago to Miss Anna Bradley, and for a wedding trip went far north.

Brother H. W. Wilcox, '87, recently paid a visit to Sacramento Phi Psis and reports them all as doing well.

Dr. Robert Gober, '82, has suffered for a long time with a severe attack of typhoid fever, but at present he is convalescent.

H. M. Ayer, '87, will soon leave Paradise Valley, Nevada, where he has been engaged in the cattle business, and come to reside near College Park.

Bro. J. C. Needham, '86, is residing at Belotta, San Joaquin County. He will pay the chapter a visit this fall and will probably settle and practice law in San Francisco.

L. T. Turner, who graduated from the Ann Arbor Law School in '88, has married and settled down to practice law in Seattle where he is reported to have a good business.

Charles T. Springer, '84, recently paid us a visit. He has now gone back to Tempi, Arizona, where he is "commanding a whaling station" and "teaching the young idea to shoot."

Bro. P. S. Driver, '88, recently paid a visit to College Park. He did not manage to get to the chapter meeting, however, as another meeting in the vicinity had far greater attractions for him. Funny how some of these "gone" alumni act occasionally.

A short time ago in San Jose a law suit took place in which two U. P. graduates opposed two other U. P. graduates, and three of the four were Phi Psis. Those concerned were Brother Welch, '87, Brother Gsbey, '80, Brother Tompkins, '86, and Mr. Curtis.

College and Fraternity Notes.

The fraternity Delta Delta Delta has about enough material for a third ladies' fraternity at Wooster.

Prof. Peabody claims that the growth of athletics has tended to improve the general tone of the college at Harvard.

Beginning with 1891 no student over twenty-one years of age will be allowed to compete for a scholarship at Cornell.—*Ex.*

A new building, to be used as a Y. M. C. A. College, has been presented to Johns Hopkins by Eugene Levering, of Baltimore.

The new chapter of Delta Phi at Johns Hopkins University has rented a house containing a lodge room, parlors and studies.—*X Φ Quarterly.*

In Sigma Chi over one-third of the chapters initiate sub-freshmen. For the year just ended, they report 28 in fourteen chapters, and a total membership of 427 in thirty-seven.—*The Scroll.*

The Yale Observatory is the official source of correct time throughout the State. It not only supplies the railroads with the correct time daily but also many public buildings. Its income is \$1,000 a year from the railroads alone.—*Era.*

The *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta says that there are men in that fraternity who attend conventions "only for fun—to get a railroad trip for nothing, and who pride themselves on the fact that they have attended none of the sessions."

There are in process of construction at the University of Minnesota a Science Hall, to cost \$200,000, a Hall of Physics and Chemistry, to cost \$100,000, a steam heating and electric lighting plant, to cost \$55,000, a Law Building, to cost \$50,000, and extensive improvements in the buildings already erected.

At a meeting of the New England College Presidents, at the residence of President Dwight, of Yale, there was a discussion about changing the college courses from four to three years, and, also, concerning the requirement of some knowledge of natural science for admission to college. The typhoid fever scare has completely died out.

At the recent convention of $\Phi \Delta \theta$ the *Scroll* was changed from a monthly to a bi-monthly, and put under exclusive charge of Dr. J. E. Brown, Columbus, Ohio. The fraternity obligates itself to pay all the expenses of publication, and assures the editor a small fixed salary, with all the profits he can make from alumni subscriptions and advertisements.

Bro. Rawson Bennett will shortly publish, at his own expense, a pamphlet fully treating the history of the attempt in 1886-87, to consolidate the Sigma Nu and Kappa Sigma fraternities. It will contain unpublished original documents from the fraternity archives and will fully cover this interesting, little known and less understood chapter of our history.—*E N Delta.*

University of Pennsylvania is to have co-education. The present students are said to be indignant over the prospect. Co-education does indeed seem to be making great advances. Another conquest which it has made is in the shape of a law school for women which has been organized in New York City. Eleven candidates for admission have already applied.—*Era.*

Cornell dropped about ninety men last year on account of inability to keep up with their classes. Cornell raised the conditions for entrance so as to make her examinations more difficult than those of any other institution. Cornell made an increase of fifty dollars in the tuition. And nevertheless she has 550 new students this year. It seems impossible for her to reduce the annual increase by legitimate means.—*Exchange.*

Cut the number of fraternities down to thirty, twenty, or even ten, make them compact and strong within themselves, make them centralized organizations, instead of groups of scattered chapters, confine their numbers to proper limits, discourage the formation of any new ones, and then, and not until then, will the American college fraternity fulfill the promise and possess all the advantages that are claimed for it.—*Mr. Stokes in Chi Phi Quarterly.*

Phi Delta Theta held its annual convention at Bloomington, Illinois, on October 14th. The fraternity now has sixty-six chapters and nearly

one thousand undergraduate members. The Bloomington convention considered the wisdom of establishing several more chapters in colleges which want them. This fraternity extends over so broad a territory that it has been divided into seven provinces. Conventions are held in the provinces, and the general convention considers only those matters which are of greatest importance to the fraternity.

Phi Beta Kappa has refused a charter to Syracuse University. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, and Beta Theta Pi, have chapters at that institution. Zeta Psi formerly tried to maintain a chapter there, but did not find enough congenial material to support it, and the charter was withdrawn. Phi Beta Kappa is said by the college paper to have refused to grant a charter on account of a "deficiency in the marking system," whatever that may mean. On several occasions movements to obtain a charter from Alpha Delta Phi have been begun at Syracuse, but they have not succeeded. The university never was in a better condition financially.—*X Φ Quarterly*.

The A T Ω Palm offers a prize of a frat pin worth \$25 to the successful competitor in the discussion of these two questions:

- 1st. Should Greek fraternities in American colleges be tolerated?
- 2d. Is Pan-Hellenic consolidation practicable and expedient?

Eligibility to enter the lists may perhaps be understood from this statement of *The Palm* for October, 1889:

Terms: Competitors from fraternities at, at least, ten colleges at which we have chapters, to be selected after a joint debate on one or both questions by a Committee of Greeks, or from the faculties, or by popular vote; *only* delegates from *fraternities* to take part in such debate; the articles must cover both questions, and not exceed 1,000 words, and must be sent *The Palm* on or before March 1, 1890. The prize to be delivered at commencement exercises, with other honors if practicable.

The scheme is sufficiently vague to challenge admiration for ambiguity of statement, to say the least.

The forty-first General Convention of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, which closed its session at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, on last Friday evening, was one of the most successful meetings and attended by the largest number of delegates of any convention which that fraternity has held for years. Delegates were present from chapters situated throughout the country, from New York to California, and many Eastern chapters had delegates in the convention. Questions of fraternal interest were discussed, and measures were taken toward the establishment of chapters in

the leading universities of the South and West. An ardent fraternal spirit prevailed throughout the entire session. On Friday an open session was held. Afterwards the delegates repaired to the banquet hall, Letters of regret were read from Dr. John Clark Ridpath, General Lew Wallace, Maurice Thompson and others. The forty-second General Convention will be held at Indianapolis on the 29th, 30th, and 31st of October next.—*Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.*

In the light of our chapter letter from Bucknell, the newspaper puff strongly savors of smoke.—ED. SHIELD.

The University of North Carolina is sustained by an annual appropriation of \$27,500 from the State treasury. The total value of its land and buildings is estimated at over \$350,000. The influence of the University upon the State has been so marked that further liberality is to be expected of the legislature. Among its alumni who became prominent in the State and Nation, may be mentioned James K. Polk, John Y. Mason, Thomas H. Benton, Judges Pearson and Dick, and Bishops Green and Hawks. The main feature of the University is the Academic Department. The Law Department is the only professional school, and in 1887-8 contained but twenty-six out of 203 students. There is only one other regularly organized law school in the State. The act which originally incorporated the University was passed in 1789; so that it is upon the threshold of its second century and amid the celebrations attending the completion of its first, that Sigma Chi enters this educational stronghold of the "Old North State.—*Σ X Quarterly.*

Miscellany.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *Δ Y Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with THE SHIELD for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

The same terms as above are hereby offered for SHIELD and *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. THE SHIELD's files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

No. 2 of Vol. I.

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William Raimond Baird, author of *American College Fraternities*, wishes the following copies of THE SHIELD: April, 1887; November, 1886; April and May, 1886. Can any one supply him with them?

We have on hand a large supply of broken volumes of THE SHIELD, the separate numbers of which may be of service in completing files. We shall be glad to respond to letters of inquiry on this subject, and shall take pleasure in filling orders for back numbers as far as possible.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become

lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following :

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AN OLD BOY'S RECOLLECTIONS OF PHI KAPPA PSI, 1854-1856.

BY W. G. KEADY, PA. A., '56.

(CONCLUDED.)

That night was really the beginning of the new era of the fraternity. An onward movement had been decided on at a previous evening. Taking me in was the first result of that movement, and I soon learned why it begun with me. Some of the men whom it was desirable to secure to the service of the chapter could only be approached by me. I confess I did not feel elated at the prospect, for I did not believe that the prejudices of those others could be as readily overcome as mine had been. It is hard for me now to realize, much more to expect my reader to realize, the "odor" in which our now proud brotherhood lived: it was the very reverse of the "odor of sanctity." It was as much hated, slandered, abused, as were the early Christians: nothing too bad could be said or believed about it. There were only two other fraternities in the college, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ and $B \theta II$; the former held sway in the Franklin Society, the latter in the Philo. The organization of a third threatened the interests of both; and consequently each waved the "bloody shirt" at the newcomer, as effectually as it has been waved in these days of advanced (?) politics. Every wild student, every drinking "cuss," every blackguard, everyone under suspicion was ranked among the Phi Psis. If a party of fellows were drunk, it was "the Phi Psis on a spree." Their meetings were said to be orgies, at which both tables of the law were regularly smashed, etc., etc. All this is not exaggerated; it is hardly up to the truth. Even the brothers I met that night had to come in for an exaggerated immoral character; and the very men I was expected to influence held no good opinion of

them. The set I ran with consisted of the reading and studying men of the sophomore class, those who were taking a look-ahead at honors in class and society—a set regarded with complacent looks by all the fraternities as the source of recruits.

It reflects credit on the good taste and spirit of those few Phi Psis, and speaks of their regard for their fraternity's future, to find them using all means in their power to better its reputation.

The meeting room lost its formality, and we resolved ourselves into a committee of the whole on the state of the fraternity. The one thought in the minds of all was, that the time had come to make a rapid advance. Two years had passed away since the birth of the fraternity, and as yet nothing had been done to give it standing or influence in the college. I found that Tom Campbell had been the originator of the new departure, and had worked up the others to the sticking point. While chafing under the undeserved bad character attributed to the very name Phi Psi, they did not deem it possible to get in the men who would achieve a better. Tom had the necessary faith, and his intimacy with me made me available for the first attempt. That having succeeded, they began to feel that all things are possible to him that believeth. Name after name was suggested—all unlikely a little while before; some were voted as desirable, others as otherwise; and all who were supposed worthy and available, that night, afterwards became brothers. I was appointed to approach several, but I stipulated only to attack one, with whom I had some hope of succeeding; arguing, that it was best to take in one man at a time, and let him have a voice in choosing the next. Fortunately, the "*festinans lente*" policy was adopted. I left the room that night with the ardor of Phi Kappa Psi enkindled in my heart; yet I did not feel very bold, invested as I was with the power to "invite" my room-mate, A. C. Armstrong, now of Augusta, Ky. A. C. was older than any of us; a solid, sober, steady-going fellow; a plodding student, but full of life; energetic, whole-souled in all he undertook; a leader in all our sophomoric "sprees." It was late when I got to my room, and found A. awake, sitting by the fire, sunk in a reverie, undisturbed by my entrance. I knew something was up, and I'd soon hear of it. Though some years my senior, he was "bully" at asking advice. I expected in a little while to hear, "K., I'd like to ask your advice." My recent experience, and my fear of being suspected, made me suspicious, when I remembered seeing him that afternoon in close conversation with a prominent Delta; and I began to wonder if A had been "invited" in that quarter. We went to bed soon. "I'd like to ask your advice," came sure enough, and it was just what I surmised. "What did you tell him?" I asked. "That I'd speak to you

about it," he replied. Here goes, I thought. "Armstrong, I joined the Phi Psis to-night." An exploding bomb could not have had a more astonishing effect. As he tumbled out of bed, I heard an expression—it wasn't "well;" but as he is now a Presbyterian elder, I may have been mistaken. After a hurried walk in the room with bare legs, he cooled down, and got back again to bed, evidently resigned. "Well, what next?" was his next remark. "I want you to join with me next week," was mine. "I once said, K., that I'd follow where you'd go; and as you are determined to go to the Devil, I'll go with you;" and he was soon snoring. So here is an instance of a man's asking advice and following it. Armstrong left college at the end of that year, and began teaching; had charge for years of Augusta College, Ky.; married there; became a substantial citizen; was mayor of the city; representative in Kentucky Legislature; and he has been foremost in the educational reforms and interests of the State and county; and, when I saw him lately, was deeply interested in tobacco. His heart still grows young as we talk of those olden times. Though not a brilliant acquisition in one sense, Armstrong's coming gave a "boost" to the onward movement, and it was kept up unflinchingly. Every meeting, for some time, marked down an addition. John B. Young, I think was the next after Armstrong—now John J. Young, of Chicago, his name having undergone a change for some good reason. Then came John S. Chapman (now a lawyer in Alexandria, Va.), and Sam Watson (now a merchant in Pittsburgh). Before commencement, we had entered Geo. W. Chalfant (now Rev. G. W. C.), and Geo. H. Kennedy, of Chicago, who died in '69; and, I think, A. B. Robinson.

We had been slow in our movements, cautious and secret, and it was not till a short time before commencement that it suddenly became known that the Phi Psi were still alive, and were looming up into a power that threatened the serene security of the other fraternities. Attention had been drawn away from us by the advent of a new pin, the Phi Kappa Sigma (skull and bones). From the fact that many who had been reputed Phi Psis "swung out" the new badge it was surmised that our "concern" had died out, and the old odium was turned against the newcomers. This erroneous idea was prematurely corrected by my having carelessly lost an "invitation," signed by me and addressed to George H. Kennedy; and its being found, copies of which were circulated all over college. Kennedy thus received the first intimation of the honor intended for him; and to say he was mad, is drawing it mild. I had, indeed, sounded him at a long distance, and had no reason to hope for success; but his room-mate, Chalfant, having become a brother, he reconsidered the matter, and accepted the invitation like a brave fellow, as his refusal,

he saw, placed me in an awkward position. Thus my connection with the fraternity was made public; and many were the sad shakes of "pious" heads I received at having thus wilfully blasted my prospects, etc. Kennedy never regretted his course, and the chapter gained a brother whose worth and work went far, very far, to raise its character and to sustain it. By commencement of '54, the fraternity had shed its chrysalis envelope, and sailed forth on the college air with the confidence of a butterfly not ashamed of himself, so modest, so unassuming was the *role* in which we made our appearance. We had to combat the old prejudices for a long time, but the old slanders dared not be repeated. We had every reason to be proud of our new growth and our capacity for work; but we did not show our hands in college politics till the fall term.

Our aims and purposes took shape slowly. The qualifications we looked for in choosing members formed no constant quantity, followed no definite law. In considering whether we would approach a man, it was asked: Will he prove a congenial companion?—Is he a gentleman? Regard we had to talents, scholarship, moral character; but even these did not recommend him, if he was a *prig*. Fortunately, our brothers assimilated wonderfully. From the diversity of character displayed by those first brought together, I feared antagonisms would spring up; but the opposite was the result. We put absolutely no restraint on individuality; we had no standard to which all must conform; and so there was nothing in our association, as is so often the case—no little characteristic that, seen in a student, would mark him as a Phi Psi. The consequence was, that we were able to have the companionship and help of men whose interest it was not to be known as members of a secret society. This was before the days when every college can count a multitude of fraternities; and at that time there was strong opposition to such societies—opposition in most cases, based on principle and conscience. During my connection, we made few mistakes—mistakes that have not been repeated; yet I know only of two members taken in who proved unworthy or were expelled, and only two who withdrew on account of conscientious scruples.

Our meetings were more social than formal; even in the transaction of business all attempts to keep parliamentary order failed. Everything likely to promote liveliness (except whiskey) was admissible. The literary part centered in "The Mystic Friend," a Ms paper edited by Campbell, at first, and then by myself and others. Tom was an artistic penman, and the paper in his hands was a work of art. As to the articles—well, on reading some of them years after, I laughed more than I would at a "screaming farce." They are still preserved in the archives of Pa. A (somewhere). Tom's peculiar cast of mind, especially, is to be seen in

his lucubrations. What elephantine wit? what fierce and scathing denunciations of our enemies! what glowing prophecies of the future, when "the eternal principles of $\Phi K \Psi$ " should pervade the universe! Oh dear! a man can be a sophomore but once in a lifetime. A few words more about Tom Campbell. He was of a slight but well-formed figure, about 5 feet 6 inches in height; olive complexion, very clear; fine black hair and eyes: with a nose inclined to spread at the nostrils and point downward; a mouth with a thin upper and a full under lip. He paid little attention to his studies. His one college ambition was to excel in declamation and to be contest orator in '56. All his care, thought and energy were for the fraternity. As he was disposed to do the work, we let the bulk of it fall into his willing hands. Tom had literary talents, yet "in the raw," and never fully developed at college, for he had much to unlearn—a part of one's education to be accomplished only by contact with the world. I think his entire devotion to fraternity interests really kept him back. As I try to read the workings of Providence in the past, I have no hesitation in saying, that the one work God had for T. C. Campbell to do was to build up and set in order the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. It is his monument. If our fraternity has faith in its symbol of the "All-seeing Eye," it should honor the instrument He has used. All honor to the founders—I would not detract a whit therefrom; but to Tom is due an honor *sui generis*. Almost *everything* that is distinctive or peculiar in the character and working of the fraternity had its origin in Tom's brain. Even the phrases in addresses delivered afterward by others which I have heard or read, were those to which he gave currency. All the ceremonies, amid all changes, keep to his models. The cryptograms of the officers were his inventions. The seals were of his design. The rude Greek of the pass-words, etc., is his. In fact all the machinery came from his workshop—the very work most needed and least thought of. He was voluminous in letter writing, and all the correspondence, copying, etc., were exclusively in his hands. The first attempt to plant our standard in other colleges was made by him. It was his agency that stirred up Charlie Moore to inaugurate a chapter at University of Virginia, where M. was a law student, and Russ Kennedy at Meadville. I think the Lewisburg chapter grew out of a conversation Tom had with a student on the cars. He was unflagging in energy, and supplied all deficiencies on the part of the rest. He kept on his way in spite of rebuffs, ridicule, hindrances and opposition, unthanked and not caring for thanks. He would never recognize defeat or impossibility in anything that concerned the fraternity he loved as the apple of his eye. It was not an abstraction to him, it was as much a personality as Brahma to the Hindoo. It is true that little of the

actual work he did remains, but his spirit pervades the whole superstructure. He kept at the work till he graduated. His life after that was a beginning again. His work as a Presbyterian minister was short: his peculiarities, which we had learned to accept as a matter of course, for a time stood in the way of his usefulness; and just as he was overcoming them, gaining the confidence of his people, and reaching a position where he could do good work in his new sphere, the Master called him away. He cares not now for this late appreciation, but his name should not (will not) be forgotten by the fraternity which is his legacy to the world.

[In another article Brother K. gives a fuller portraiture of Tom Campbell which we wish to insert:

There was much in us that was diametrically in opposition, for neither could always understand the other. I think I can understand him better now—because he is dead. I can only remember him as the *boy*; I know him only as such; he has not changed and I have, and so as a man, who could not help learning something of human nature in twenty-five years, I can do him justice. His work for the fraternity was *sui generis*; it was what none other of us was fit for, or would have done if we had been. To him Phi Kappa Psi was a beloved entity, a cherished abstraction, and no slights nor sneers nor opposition from individual brothers could shake his faith in and love for his idol. Hence it is that the fraternity has so many features in it that recall him. I do not wish to repeat what I said in my "Recollections." I believe every brother of that day who has read them will agree that I have indeed fallen short of the truth. I often would wonder what Tom Campbell was made for; his characteristics seemed to me such as rendered his horoscope a mysterious one. But, as Horace says, *Nil me officit unquam, Ditiior hic, aut est quia doctior; est locus unicuique suus*. His life was short. I doubt if he found a place after he graduated, for he went out into a world that has no place for a man it can not understand. But he *had* found his place, and filled it well; and his work being ended, his Master called him up higher. I feel satisfied that, in doing what I have done, I have fulfilled his earliest wished-for hope—that of having his name ranked next to Moore's and Letterman's as organizer of the Phi Kappa Psi; it was all the fame he craved. While we thank God for the prosperity of our loved fraternity, let him whom He used as an instrument claim a thought and a "God bless him."

"All service ranks the same with God:

If now, as formerly He trod

Paradise, His presence fills

Our earth, each only as God wills

Can work—God's puppets, best and worst,

Are we: there is no last or first."—*Robert Browning.*]

In the fall of '54 occurred an incident that made the history of the $\Phi K \Sigma$ cross ours. Among the young members of that fraternity was one who, carried away by the beauties of its ritual, read all or parts of it to his young lady friends and to some of us—a knowledge of which we made no use. The result was a disturbance in "skull and bones" circles through-

out the land, a convention, a new ritual and the break-up of the Jefferson chapter. Out of the wreck came two most excellent brothers, S. T. Murray and S. C. T. Dodd (now of Franklin, Pa.)—the latter of whom was a most efficient worker for several years.

During the winter of '54-'55 it was decided to adopt a new badge. The old one had but the two letters $\Phi \Psi$, forming a very pretty combination cut out in gold. It was not discarded officially, but it soon disappeared. A committee was appointed, McMasters and myself, to draft the new one. I think we tried all sorts of devices, becoming more undecided at every attempt, and at one time deciding to give it up. One night I was sitting with Mc. in his room reading, while he was devoting his gigantic intellect to the task of whittling out a ring from a piece of cannel coal. When he had finished the shield on it he handed it to me for approval (to criticise anything he did was out of the question). I liked the shape and copied it on paper. I thought I'd fill it in with some of the symbols Tom C. had made familiar. It looked well, and I concluded that the new badge was found. I made a better drawing and offered it for Jim's inspection. He decided it was just the thing. It was offered to the chapter, which met in that room later in the same night, and was adopted. McFadden, of Pittsburgh, made the first batch. No change has since been made in it, except to give it a better finish.

It would require a volume to give even an outline of the college politics into which we cast ourselves that year, and I can not now recall the spirit of the strife. Hitherto the parties had not been very definitely defined. There was a sort of division between the "Lops" and the "Short Ears." The "Lops" were the pious *par excellence*, with their adherents not so pious; the "Shorts" were made of the remainder, though it was no imputation on a man's piety to be called a Short. The Lops were generally opposed to the secret societies. In the Philo Society $B \theta \Pi$ rather held the balance of power, and were generally ranked among the Lops. In the Franklin, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ held about the same position, and was ranked among the Shorts. There was another set called Neutrals, whose votes were the object of our tactics. What are politics without spoils? The end of these college politics was the possession of office and gaining for "*our men*" the honors of contest. Each literary society elected a debater, an orator, an essayist, and a declaimer, to contest on the last night of the winter session. The elections were spread over the year, keeping us in constant hot water. First, a class of probationers were chosen, from whom the contestants must be chosen. The debater was chosen in May, the orator in July, the essayist in September, the declaimer in December. The first trial of our strength was in December, '54, when we elected

Charles W. M'Henry declaimer in the Philo Society for the contest of '55. Charlie was a fat boy, round in every limb, a Saxon face, blue eyes and yellow hair. He was a younger blood from Pittsburgh, very fast for his seventeen years, and even then considered himself a good judge of whiskey. His talents were of a brilliant order; his writings were poetical in expression; his declamation was passionate. He was a dabbler in poetry, but his model was the now forgotten Alexander Smith, whose "Life Drama" was then the rage (I have large slices of it in my quotation-book). When he was my room-mate, he would fire daily at me favorite quotation from Smith:

"A thousand years hence, when we both are damned,
We'll sit like ghosts upon the wailing shores,
And read our lives by the red light of hell."

I am glad to think the sentiment was a false prophecy. After a not very successful career as politician and lawyer, in Pittsburgh, he married, reformed, lectured on temperance, and, following Greeley's advice, went West, and settled in Janesville, Wis. There he died, some four or five years ago. His latter years were those of an humble Christian, and he departed rejoicing in the love of his Redeemer. Ah! how often across this panorama that memory is unrolling before me, sweeps the dark wing of the death-angel! But in the picture I see nothing but life, and the forms I see there never die to me.

Our struggles had only begun. The far-ahead object was to replace the older fraternities and to lead both literary societies. The immediate object to which the energies of the winter were bent was to elect in May and July, '55, a debater from the Philo Society, and an orator from the Franklin, for the contest of '56. I never saw as much political skill, intrigue, and wire-working out in the busy world as was displayed that year. And we reached our ends:—J. C. Matthews was elected debater, and Tom Campbell orator. We took the lead at once in the Philo, and kept it till the college died; but did not get the same hold in the Franklin till after I graduated. This year one of the early brothers, who had been away, returned (S. J. Niccolls,) and his return brought us added force, for though a mere boy, he had the same presence and power that have since won him a high position in the Presbyterian Church. He, Matthews, Dodd, and McPherran were our prime managers. Some things we felt ourselves compelled to do had no more excuse than much that *good* men now do to further the success of their party. We had no candidate for orator in the Philo Society; and though our personal feelings led us to acknowledge the fitness of the man proposed by the opposition, yet expediency forbade our letting him be elected. He was the late W. W.

Hays, of Harrisburg, a most lovable fellow, one of my most intimate friends, and one entirely worthy of the honor. We had to find an *available* candidate outside of the fraternity. One was found who was a fine declaimer but could not write an oration. At the request of the chapter, I wrote his probation piece—a precious piece of clap-trap it was!—and when he was elected I helped doctor up another piece for contest. As it turned out, he and Campbell divided the honors. The same policy had to be pursued in the fall, in electing an essayist. We came near losing our ground by such a course in the former case, and it would not have been repeated had not we met with a defeat in the Franklin Society, where, up to this time, it was thought I had only to walk over the ground in the election of essayist; but I was fairly beaten, I believe—but, oh! how it hurt them! It was the last defeat of $\Phi K \Psi$ at Jefferson College. My class of '56 gave the first commencement honor to the fraternity, George H. Kennedy being first honor man and valedictorian. Ever after, till '69, we had more than our share of honors in literature and scholarship every year.

In the summer of '55 the first G. A. C. was held in Washington City, D. C. John S. Chapman was our delegate. I do not think there ever was any record made of that session, and it seems the absence of records is all that can now be predicated of most of its successors. All I know of it is that the G. A. C. had “a high old time,” and formed a constitution that was but a slight improvement on the old one. So arduous were their labors, that they could not find time “between drinks” to prepare the address to the candidate in the initiatory ceremonies, and ordered Pennsylvania Alpha to have one written and sent to the chapters. I was appointed to write it, but at that time I was not as ready to fulfill engagements as I am now, and it was hard for me to find time to attempt it. Months passed by, and the other chapters became clamorous for the address. The chapter passed a peremptory order that I fulfill the duty imposed on me, which of course I did not obey. One Sunday, after dinner, two brothers came to my room, and asked if the address was written; receiving a negative reply, they went out, with the remark: “No address, no supper!” and locked me in. Whether the prospect of no supper had anything to do with it I can not say, but I know I determined not to do it, and then I concluded to do it, and went to the table and finished it at a sitting, erasing but one word. On reading it over, I was of the opinion that it was all that could be desired, and I am pleased to know that the fraternity were of the same opinion. I do not know if it is still in use; but in '71 I found that, amid all changes, wise and unwise, made by G.

A. C., that address remained unchanged, and I felt a little surprised that I could find no fault with it.

In August, '56, the second G. A. C. was called to meet at Jefferson College. Tom Campbell had chafed all the year at the incomplete and unsatisfactory work of the preceding one. He had recently become a Mason, and the Masonic ritual had taken such a hold on his imagination, that he saw a new way of making $\Phi K \Psi$ a power; and that was, by so linking it with maxims of morality, it would, like Masonry, become a sort of religion to every brother, and this was to be aided by a gorgeous ritual. Here he and I came into opposition, and I believe he regarded me as a degenerate, if not unregenerate brother, opposed to the interests of the fraternity. But I had seen enough of the world to know that the teachings of Masonry never made a moral man out of an immoral. I saw only danger in a *teaching* ritual. I was a firm believer in "the eternal principles of Phi Kappa Psi," but I felt that their power lay in the simplicity, the breadth, and the indefiniteness which characterizes the preamble of the old constitution. But Tom was on the committee to revise the ritual, with Matthew and Niccolls, I think. Near the end of the session their work was ready for inspection. They would not bring it before the chapter, but required each brother to "go through" the ceremony alone. I can recall little of this great work. It made two degrees in the ceremony; the names of the degrees were not chosen till afterward, and these I do not remember, except that "David" and "Jonathan" were proposed. I remember its length—over an hour; the fact of the candidate's being blindfolded and tied with a rope all around his body; and the oath, iron-clad, and many-jointed as a tape-worm, enumerating every possible delinquency that one man could be guilty of toward another, and every possible duty. One thing I swore, "that I would not seduce a brother's wife, or sister, or daughter,"—leaving out his cousins and his aunts. Notwithstanding the opposition of some of us, the chapter accepted it and sent it to the G. A. C. for approval. When that body met, after commencement, I was in too great a hurry to get away, and did not attend its session; I believe, however, the ritual was adopted with some modifications; but the whole thing, having been tried and found too cumbersome, was discarded by the next council. In '67, the last time I saw the ceremony, it still had traces in it of that formidable one.

My memory has played me one trick, at least. I have always been under the impression that there was but one chapter in February, '54, and that Virginia Alpha was started shortly after. But the catalogue gives the date of Virginia Alpha as 1853—I presume in the fall preceding my entrance. It must be so, I suppose, for figures never (that is, hardly ever)

lie. My delusion in this matter is so great, I can't see how it originated, except on the theory that I am getting old.

However, when I graduated, the fraternity was on a proud basis. From the small force as I first knew it, it had expanded into several flourishing chapters. From a despised thing, it had become a thing of beauty, whose smile was worth suing for. Seldom was there collected together in our college a set of youths such as formed Pennsylvania Alpha, who in their intercourse with each other exemplified so many of the graces and virtues of mankind. The friendship and love then developed were more than the result of mere association. I can speak, from my own experience, of a friendship stronger than that of a Damon for a Pythias—self-sacrificing, soul-absorbing. There was a glow and an exhilaration about our fraternity at that time which it was impossible for any after-experience, no matter how rich, to bring back. Our high-sounding sentiments and phrases, that adorned our correspondence and speeches, were but tame efforts to express what was inexpressible.

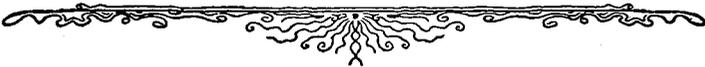
I fear I have been tedious, and yet I feel that after all I have not fulfilled satisfactorily the task on which I entered. But it has been pleasant and sad. "Did not Ossian hear a voice? Or is it the sound of days that are no more? Often, like the evening sun, come the memory of former times on my soul." But I can not stop yet; for when I left college to go out into "the wide, wide world," $\Phi K \Psi$ was not left behind. It has followed me to this hour. In the most trying hour of my life, I have always found a brother not far off—so that my love for and interest in the fraternity was not allowed to die out, or become a mere memory. The eternal principles have stood the test of real life. When I taught school in Kentucky, after graduating, George Kennedy was near me; and when we separated, we kept up a correspondence till his death. When teaching near Oakland College, Miss., Sam D. McPherson was in the institution, and we met frequently afterward. Sam was a perennial boy; the glow of $\Phi K \Psi$ never left him. He died of consumption a few years since, in California. Ralph Mackey was also near me, a year before the war. He returned to Pennsylvania and entered the army as captain, but his service was cut short by contracting a severe cold in the Chickahominy swamp, which developed the hereditary foe of his family—consumption. He died in 1866. A noble fellow was Ralph, a man of unusual promise. When I was a Confederate prisoner in Camp Douglass, George Kennedy was a captain in the regiment on guard. I am proud to say Phi Kappa Psi stood grandly a test before which Masonry fell back. Jack Young, McPherran, Moderwell, and others visited me "in prison," and brought sunshine with them. I remember McPherran had done himself up as a

Methodist preacher, in order to secure admittance. When I lost my right arm at the siege of Vicksburg, two brothers were with me and "ministered unto me," — C. E. Grey and A. J. Ewing, the former now at Enon Valley, Pa., and the latter in Clinton, Iowa. When on my way to get married, in '69, I went to Chicago to take George Kennedy as my "best man;" he was that day seized with the illness that proved to be his last, for he died in little over a week. How little dreamed I that I should see him no more! He was a man of unusual ability and attainments, but the victim of a morbid sensitiveness and diffidence. His first speech at the bar, though a success, nearly killed him. Dear, precious George! I have a monument of him at home in the person of my oldest boy, who exhibits traits which I imagine characterized his namesake.

On my study wall hangs the emblematic picture of Phi Kappa Psi (published in the catalogue of '67). It is more than emblematic to me, for it tells my inward history. My *soul* in silence lit her torch on the altar of Phi Kappa Psi. *Experience*, pointing upward, tells me that the "all-seeing Eye" has been upon me, not only watching, but guiding. My *lamp* of life rests unchanging on the *book* of time. The fire lit twenty-seven years ago has not gone out, and will not, till it melts into the glory of the brighter day when I shall once again feel the *grip* from the welcoming fingers of those who have gone before.

The old boy's story is ended. God bless you, brothers!

LAGRANGE, TENN., September 10, 1880.



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CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

Cincinnati has heard from and sent heartiest greetings to the new alumni association. Wants to see more chapters and more associations, but want the latter so active and so closely connected with the heart of Phi Psi that they will be spelled with a big "A."

Rev. W. A. Robinson, recently installed pastor of a prominent church in Covington, Ky., is the latest addition to the membership of the Cincinnati Alumni Association.

Miss Grace Mayo, well known in the social and musical circles of Cincinnati, an untiring worker and successful teacher, is a friend to Phi Psi's interests. Miss Mayo is using the Phi Kappa Psi waltzes in honor of the fraternity.

Bro. Albert Bettinger, Smith Block, Walnut St., is chairman of the special committee having in charge, with the officers, this month's affair. Brother Bettinger's able assistants are Bro. R. H. Bishop, East Pearl St., and Bro. E. W. Mitchell, M. D., Avondale. We won't tell how old they are, and no one else can from seeing their enthusiasm and practical work.

James R. Murray, the composer and song writer, is friendly to the alumni association here and to Phi Psi. Mr. Murray in war times and through the war, was known as the "boy fifer," and with a fighting regiment kept place and tune through all the years of march and battle. Army music and church hymnals have been added to by Mr. Murray's composition. His office and study is an interesting place with some rare relics.

The Historical Society Museum, No. 108 Broadway, will be one of the places keeping "open house" to visiting Phi Psis. Prof. Horace P. Smith is in charge, a member of another Greek letter fraternity, but who appreciates the Greek, and will extend welcome and information to Phi Psis heartily, accordingly. The place is an interesting one to visit.

Friday noon, November 29th, was one of the interesting Phi Psi occasions in Cincinnati. The daily papers have already given full

accounts. The principal thing of the hour was the first presentation of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity waltzes, dedicated by the Cincinnati Alumni Association to the fraternity of the United States. The number gathered proved greater than anticipated, and the hour was given to an impromptu musicale and informal social group, participated in by resident Phi Psis, their ladies and friends, and a few visitors from abroad. The new waltzes were given by the composer, Prof. A. J. Boex, of St. Xavier's, who was secured for the occasion. Some of the Phi Psi groups met for the first time, and the hour proved one of those delightful ones coming up pleasantly and without form in the midst of busy life. The Phi Kappa Psi waltzes will be produced at Music Hall by the Cincinnati Orchestra under the leadership of Michael Brand. The badge and the name Phi Psi will soon be in homes throughout the land.

Another Phi Psi wedding is reported in these columns. This time it is Willis M. Kemper, of this city, and Miss Emilie Runyon, of New Brunswick, New Jersey. The happy event took place on November 20th, at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. Applegarth, D. D., was the officiating clergyman. Brother and sister Kemper are at present in New York, but will be at home at 122 Park Avenue, Walnut Hills, this city, on Mondays in January. Cincinnati members will welcome them. Cincinnati Alumni Association does not introduce "new brethren" to the chapters, but it can introduce more Phi Psi brides to the fraternity each quarter between banquets, than can any district of chapters. At the annual banquet, on the 30th inst., there will be four Phi Psi bridal couples.

General programmes of the three Phi Psi days in Cincinnati, December 28th, 29th and 30th, have by this time been mailed throughout the fraternity. The occasion is one where all Phi Psis will be welcomed, and where the scenes and incidents will be thrilling to witnesses and participants. Every Phi Psi anywhere, whose address in any way can be ascertained is being sent to, though there are very many whom we can not possibly find out but who will be none the less welcome. A greater number will be here on the 28th inst., for the Saturday night gathering than was anticipated. Sunday night, the 29th inst., will find an immense throng, brilliant scene and fine programme at Brother Simpson's church, the Walnut Hills Congregational. Members of other Greek fraternities represented in Cincinnati have been formally invited, and will attend very largely this service. Phi Psis and their ladies will find the Monday mid-day gathering an interesting and enjoyable affair. Monday night, 30th inst., is the banquet, the culmination of the first year of Phi Psi in Cincinnati. Here the programme throughout will be one succession of good things, and far removed from the usual routine observed at such gatherings.

Cincinnati Phi Psis send greetings to the brothers throughout the borders of Phi Psi, at the close of this, their first year.

E. A. DAUMONT.

THE PITTSBURGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

On October 30th, in an attorney's office on Grant Street, between the hours of 8:00 and 10:00 P. M., was formed what will henceforth be known as "The Pittsburgh Alumni Association of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity." There were present at this meeting Bros. William F. Wise, Albert J. Walker, and J. T. McCreery, alumni of Pennsylvania Alpha; Bro. Horace J. Miller, of Ohio Gamma; Bro. Tom Gallaher, of Pennsylvania Iota; Bro. Grant Dibert, of Pennsylvania Kappa; Bro. Charles K. Yeager, of Pennsylvania Epsilon; and the writer, an alumnus of Pennsylvania Zeta. The question of organizing the resident Phi Psis of Pittsburgh and vicinity into an alumni association was thoroughly discussed, and the scheme was heartily favored by all the brothers. It was decided to give a banquet and reception, as by this means more of the alumni could be brought together than by any other method; accordingly a committee was appointed to send out the invitations and make all the necessary arrangements for the feast.

The committee got to work in earnest, and on November 15th issued a neat invitation, with an explanatory circular-letter inclosed, to every Phi Psi whose address could be learned, both in the city and in all the neighboring towns. Replies were requested, but they came in slowly—so slowly, in fact, that one member of the committee became discouraged and almost repented having undertaken the scheme. We assured him, however, that all great movements emanate from small beginnings, and advance slowly at first, but after gaining a little headway "get there in great shape." And we were right.

When Friday evening, November 22d, arrived, it found eighteen good, loyal, and enthusiastic members of the fraternity gathered together in the parlors of the Seventh Avenue Hotel, all bent upon becoming well acquainted with one another, and ready "to do and die" for their beloved order if occasion demanded it of them. I can not improve upon the account of the banquet as it appeared in the Pittsburgh *Dispatch* of the following morning, so I will insert the article here:

The Pittsburgh Alumni Association of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity held its first reception and banquet in the parlors and special dining-room of the Seventh Avenue Hotel last evening. It was one of those occasions so dear to the hearts of college men, and could only be fully appreciated by those who have remembrances of fraternity life in years gone by. There were gathered together in the parlors

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men who since leaving college have acquired distinction in the legal fraternity, in the medical profession, in the pulpit, and in business circles. All present had come there to enjoy themselves, and their highest expectations were fully realized.

Before proceeding to the banquet-hall some routine business was transacted, and the following officers of the association were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. C. Bergstresser; vice-president, J. T. Gallaher; secretary, Charles W. Ashley; treasurer, Albert J. Walker. The Committee of Arrangements had spared no pains to make the affair a success, and the dining-hall presented quite an attractive picture with its daintily arranged table, bright lights, handsome silver service, and costly draperies. The following attractive menu was first thoroughly discussed by the boys:

MENU.		
Blue Points on the half shell.		
Consomme d'Volaille.		
Muscalonge, steamed, Sauce Hollandaise.		
Potato Curls.		
Queen Olives.	Sweet Pickles.	Celery.
Punch a la Cardinal.		
Quail, broiled, on toast.	Potatoes quirked.	
Sweetbreads, en Caisse.		
French Peas.		
Fried Oysters, New York style.		
Asparagus, with cream dressing.		
Chicken Salad.		
Bisque Ice Cream.	Chocolate Ice Cream.	
Lady Cake.	Champagne Jelly.	Fruit.
Pineapple Cheese and Crackers.	Assorted Cakes.	
Tea and Coffee.		

Immediately following the banquet the tables were cleared, cigars passed around, and the following toasts responded to, Bro. George A. Jenks, Ex-Solicitor General of the United States, acting as toast-master and responding to the toast, "Phi Kappa Psi." "The Beneficial Effects of College Fraternities," Hon. T. H. B. Patterson, Esq.; "Phi Psis in Active Life," Roger Williams, M. D.; "THE SHIELD," Charles K. Yeager, Esq.; "The Ladies," W. F. Wise, Esq. Letters of regret were read from quite a number of Phi Psi members who were unable to be present, and congratulatory letters and telegrams were announced and read from the Chicago, Cincinnati, and Springfield alumni associations. At a late hour the company disbanded, to meet at the call of the president.

So you can see how the press used us, and I certainly think we deserved all that was said about us. For fear of having already sent too detailed an account, I will only add a few comments upon the literary portion of the programme, and then close. The toast of Brother Jenks was listened to with rapt attention, and the rounds of applause that greeted the brother as he took his seat were almost deafening. Brother Patterson viewed fraternity life from the standpoint first of a student while in college, and then in after life. His toast was well received. Following him came Bro. Roger Williams, one of the prominent physicians of the East End, Pittsburgh, and the founder, by the way, of two chapters of the

fraternity. I have rarely listened to an address that charmed me as much as did the one delivered by Dr. Williams on "Phi Psis in Active Life." It was couched in beautiful language, and abounded in rhetorical figures; and yet back of it all could be discerned a deep and genuine feeling of attachment for the fraternity. We have secured a jewel for our organization in Brother Williams. "THE SHIELD" was strongly endorsed and greatly praised by Brother Yeager, of the Pittsburgh bar. If the brother had not assured me in a solemn manner that he would not get *one cent* for his "taffying" and exhortation, I could not have believed otherwise than that you had gotten him to thoroughly advertise our journal upon the promise of a monetary consideration for his labor. I predict good results from Brother Yeager's remarks. Then came another legal light in the person of Bro. W. F. Wise, who toasted "The Ladies" in that original and inimitable way of his which must be heard to be appreciated. His dry humor kept the boys in a continual uproar while he had the floor.

This ended the regular toasts, after which the newly-elected president, Brother Bergstresser, who is the publisher of *The Insurance World*, of Pittsburgh, made a brief but encouraging address. We are led to expect substantial backing from the brother in anything we may undertake in the future. He appointed as an Executive Committee Brothers Yeager, Williams, and Ashley. We will endeavor to sustain him in any course he may designate, looking toward the welfare and advancement of our organization. With best wishes to THE SHIELD, and fraternal greetings to the fraternity at large, we will make our bow and retire.

CHARLES W. ASHLEY.

IN MEMORIAM.

WALTER H. BRITTON.

Died—Britton—At San Antonio, Texas, Tuesday, December 3, 1889, of consumption, Walter H. Britton, in the twenty-fourth year of his age.

The deceased was a son of Dr. J. B. Britton, deceased, who was an honored and highly esteemed resident of Mapleton, this county. Walter attended the Normal college in this city, and afterwards graduated at the State university, at Lawrence, before he reached his nineteenth year. He went into the employ of the Santa Fe general ticket office, and afterwards became connected with the Topeka *Commonwealth* in the capacity of assistant managing editor. When the *Capital* consolidated he went to Florida for his health, and last spring returned and accepted a position on the St. Louis *Republic* and afterwards with the *Globe-Democrat*. Four weeks ago he was confined in Santa Rosa infirmary, where he went by advice of his physician, and where he died.—*Topeka Capital*.

Walter H. Britton was twenty-five years of age at the time of his death. With the advantage of a collegiate education and a natural aptitude for newspaper work,

he rapidly developed into not only a first-class news-gatherer, but an able writer on topics of the day, having done the actual editorial work of the *Topeka Commonwealth* during the last gubernatorial campaign in Kansas, and for many months prior to the election. His first newspaper work was done on that paper, he having been prior to that time assistant to Advertising Agent Steele, of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe, at Topeka. About a year since he came to St. Louis and engaged in newspaper work. He will be best remembered on Third Street and at the Custom House, where his duties called him, and the announcement of his death will be received with keen regret by those who met him in the daily walks of life. "I never met a young man who inspired more respect and confidence," remarked a well-known Third Street broker, "than Mr. Britton. He was invariably conscientious and correct in his work, a model newspaper reporter." Wherever known Walter Britton bore an unsullied reputation, and by his untimely death a bright and promising career has been cut short.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

We append parts of two letters recently received from Bro. E. C. Little, who knew and loved our highly gifted brother in his earlier, happier days, when life seemed a beautiful thing to him :

"He was a hard worker and his rise was rapid. When he was on the *Daily Commonwealth*, then the leading Kansas daily, he was practically managing editor and was the leading editorial writer. Father Baker, the venerable editor and proprietor, said Britton was the best man he ever had on the paper. He was one of the brightest and most successful of all Kansas Alpha's sons. A few days before he died I received a letter from him in which he evinced a thorough appreciation of the gravity of his position, though he did not appear to think he would go at all soon. He was of a reserved disposition, of independent character, self-reliant, and asking few favors. His faults were manlier than some folks' virtues. I am glad I was able to grant his last request, made a few days before he passed over, and assure him of my sympathy and friendship in a letter which must have reached him a few hours before he left this fraternity of $\Phi K \Psi$ for the greater fraternity of all nations, climes, and peoples. Let THE SHIELD speak well of him."

"He wrote me a few months ago in cheerful confidence of his future—that he had now measured himself with the newspaper men of the metropolis and found himself able to hold his own with them. This clip justifies his belief. He went on to speak of his future and hoped to work on papers in Chicago, Washington, and New York,—“see it all,”—before he settled down definitely. Poor boy! He is settled now forever, and will see it all—nec through a glass darkly. Fraternally,

E. C. L."

Editorial.

We beg to extend our thanks for the following college periodicals sent us in addition to those acknowledged in former issues: *Pacific Pharos*, *University News*, *Depauw Adz*, *University Kansan*, *The Campus*. In addition to these remembrances there come to our table in great profusion fugitive copies of daily and weekly papers, containing items of interest to Phi Psis. A thoughtful brother here and there can be very helpful to the Editor in rendering THE SHIELD of interest to Phi Kappa Psi.

Which leads us to remark that we were much gratified at utterances in recent chapter letters indorsing our management of THE SHIELD, and deem it high honor to have made the journal profitable to those who support it and for whom it is published. Our friends, the editors of the various Greek-letter journals, have a good deal to say about us, because we are monthly, because we do not interest them, because our leading articles are of too limited a scope, because these same articles are too labored, because the editorial department has no point or force,—but here are a few sample criticisms, which it may interest our readers to peruse, as they have entertained the uninteresting Editor.

Will the readers of THE SHIELD patiently look on

this picture, a rare mosaic made up from a fat pile of exchanges:

“‘We are in a congratulatory mood,’ says Phi Kappa Psi. We are glad to know it, even though the reason is not apparent. It is surely not over the October *Shield*.”

“The November *Shield* introduces us to another trivial article which seems to have no reason *per se* for existing.”

“*The Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi for March is barren, neither cold nor hot, nothing either to praise or blame”

“The editor of *The Shield* evidently has his hands too full, as is indicated in the editorial remarks, and a quarterly issue would probably be more satisfactory to all concerned.”

“Without intending to be hypercritical, we must say that the editorial pages of *The Shield* are a good deal of a hodge-podge.”

“We can not do otherwise than condemn the editor of *The Shield*. When he who proclaims his devotion to Pan-Hellenism, who poses as the friend and advocate of love between fraternities, the upholder of the proposition that a common tie binds all Greeks, when such a man can so degrade himself and his journal by publishing and calling attention to such matter, we behold with commiseration how personal prejudice can sway the opinions of one whose attitude has been heretofore that of a broad-minded fraternity man.”

“We are unable to say just how interesting *The Shield* is to $\phi \psi s$, but to an outsider it is about as uninteresting as magazines ever get to be. Aside from an article on Fraternity Rivalry and the chapter letter department there is really nothing in *The Shield*. Perhaps the statement is rather broad, for the so-called editorials have one commendable quality — that of brevity.”

And now on this:

"The editorials are, as usual, bright and original, but neither extensive nor exhaustive."

"There is an energy of purpose and a clock-like regularity of appearance about the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* that does our hearts good. In our humble estimation it is the best fraternity magazine published."

"Four numbers of *The Shield* now lie before us, and while it must be admitted that they have a remarkable vigor of tone, nevertheless condensation and combination would have bettered them."

"The editorials are sound and to the point."

"One acquires a habit, eventually, of turning to the editorial department of *The Shield*, moderately certain of finding there something of interest, whatever else the journal may contain."

"The best review that we have seen on Mr. Porter's article in the September *Century* appeared in the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* for December. This number of *The Shield* would be a valuable addition to any chapter library."

"And last and best of the *genus*, Phi Kappa Psi, the May number, full of readable matter and the usual satisfactory departments, to which lack of space and a clamorous crowd of as yet unreviewed Greeks forbid our doing justice."

"The January number of *The Shield* gives no evidence that its editor was suffering from an attack of remittent fever, in any of its pages except that on which such an announcement is made."

"*The Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi for June is a good number, tho' not remarkable. The editorials are broad-minded and sensible, and a happy contrast to the more ambitious articles earlier in the number."

"Its editorials are noted for their vigor and candor, and it has maintained, as it always has advocated, the most courteous tone toward other fraternities."

"*The Shield* is especially rich in the departments of 'Chapter Letters' and 'College and Fraternity Notes;' the latter is of great interest to all college men."

We wonder how $\phi \psi$, would like a journal suited to the capricious taste of the fastidious ladies and gentlemen who penned the above?

IF the contemporaries of THE SHIELD, who are so solicitous for its welfare will permit us, we should like to pen a few lines on a subject which perhaps to them, being of such mature years, is "trite," "sophomoric" may be, but true as holy writ nevertheless.

During college days the young men who fill up the ranks of $\phi \kappa \psi$ and like societies, in the warm flush of their early manhood, cleave one to another in close friendship, perhaps in passionate fondness. The fraternal tie to them is everything that it was in the ideal state of mankind which the authors of this peculiar institution sought to establish.

The generous youth leaves his college home and begins that stern struggle which we call "active life;" he seeks a career. He finds men suave, polite, obliging in a way, companionable. He trusts man in fond belief that these are but outward signs of a warm heart and a nature kindred to his own. There comes a crisis in his life when nothing less than the tender sympathy and doting fondness of friends such as he cherished in his fraternity days will save him from moral shipwreck. He finds the charming manners which so attracted him are but a cloak for

studied villainy or cruel heartlessness, and he grows sick of life and its corroding cares.

At such a time a sweet memory of the bright college days comes to his perturbed spirit like a benison, and he is saved, or sadly he turns from the mockeries he sees in society and immures himself in that most desolate of all dungeons, a morbid self-consciousness.

Brothers in $\phi \kappa \psi$, it will not take many years of contact with the activities of the world to teach you the lesson that there is nothing in this life worth a noble man's thought but love and friendship; all else fades in trying hours into nothingness.

God grant the time may never come to a $\phi \psi$ when he must needs apologize for his membership in an organization which taught him to revere these twin glories of human character, and may he ever strive in after years to do credit to the dear old fraternity, which honored him in the tender years of his impressionable youth.

We have not had occasion during the entire period of our editorship to offer any apologies or explanations for the appearance of any word that has been printed in our journal, but should the necessity have arisen at any time, we should have felt not only that it was our duty, but a privilege to right any wrong which we had committed.

In the November issue of *THE SHIELD* appeared a letter in which were made very severe strictures upon the behavior of delegates to the $\phi \Gamma \Delta$ convention, recently held in Lewisburg, Pa. We published the letter substantially as it was sent us, though there were parts of it which we deemed a damaging reflection upon the young men in question, but inasmuch as the author of the letter wrote in a responsible manner, and stood ready with proof of the

correctness of his assertion, we deemed it no more than right that the shameful facts, for so they appeared to us to be, should be published to the Greek world.

Although claiming no sympathy with "childish bickerings," "petty littleness," and avowing a policy of "dignified silence," the editor of the *Φ Γ Δ Quarterly* devotes three pages (of silence?) to the extinction of our correspondent whom, in contra-distinction to THE SHIELD, and "to show our superiority to that low species of journalism," he calls "jealous creature," "prevaricator," "hypocrite."

However, *Φ Γ Δ* is entitled to her disclaimer:

"The pusillanimity of the writer is well illustrated in his charge of inebriation. Notwithstanding his ministerial aspirations, we deny his allegation and can prove that he has perverted the truth. Not only were none of the delegates intoxicated but *all* were present at the open session."

Perhaps THE SHIELD ought to follow the example (?) of our esteemed contemporary and maintain that "dignified silence" which is so sweet a morsel for self-gratulation to the editor of the *Quarterly*, but inasmuch as the issue is fairly joined, our correspondent naming his witnesses, and the writer of the foregoing disclaimer offering to prove the perversion of truth, we defer making the complete retraction, which we should be pleased to give, until the important question of who has told the truth is determined.

Brothers sending papers with items which to them seem of interest, will please mark them so that they may be readily found. It is very wearing upon the nerves of a busy man to run over a metropolitan newspaper in vain search of the item which some thoughtless brother has failed to mark. If clippings are sent never fasten them by mucilage to your letter, for obvious reasons.

We desire to extend to $\Delta T \Delta$ our hearty sympathy in light of the death of J. M. Philips, the editor of the *Rainbow*, during the past year. Mr. Philips' work on the journal of $\Delta T \Delta$ showed him to be a man of fine feeling, graceful ability as a writer and withal gifted with journalistic instinct. His home was in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

We are officially informed of the expulsion of William R. Johnson from Michigan Alpha. Brothers are hereby cautioned from recognizing him as a member of the fraternity.

We hope the chapters will remember early in the new term of the college year the fact of the coming G. A. C. Get ready for the gathering, brothers.

Beta Theta Pi has come out from under the rose, and we welcome this sprightly journal to our table most heartily.

Chapter Letters.

BUCKNELL.

The social event of the term at Bucknell was the reception given by Gamma on the evening of November 27th to our lady friends. A most enjoyable evening was spent in dancing, singing, and instrumental music. All present were highly delighted with the entertainment given them. We were pleased to have with us on that occasion Bros. Joe M. Wolfe, of New York Alpha, and Prof. Harry Kelly, of Central Pennsylvania College.

We intend giving a series of receptions to our friends during the winter.

It became our delightful task on Tuesday evening, the 10th inst.; to initiate into our brotherhood Bros. John Cressinger and Frank Shermer, both of Sunbury, Pa. These two brothers make a grand addition to $\Phi \Psi$. Brother Cressinger is one of Bucknell's leading athletes, and has distinguished himself on the foot-ball team. Besides being a good student he is an accomplished musician, and will strengthen our $\Phi \Psi$ glee club, which is becoming quite noted and is much in demand.

Brothers Holmes and Moore recently attended a wedding at Pittston, and were delightfully entertained by their many friends at that city.

It is with sincere sorrow that we announce the death of Brother Haslam's father. On the eve of the 10th Brother Haslam received a telegram announcing the sad news, and at once left for home. Brother Haslam's bereavement cast a cloud over the entire chapter, and our hearts go out to him in tenderest sympathy in his affliction. Appropriate resolutions were adopted by the chapter, and sent to Brother Haslam at his home.

To THE SHIELD and to every $\Phi \Psi$ Gamma sends Christmas greeting.

A. LINCOLN MOORE.

Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1889.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

This chapter "of a solemn and gret fraternite," to quote the late Mr. Chaucer, is still forging new links that bind us to our fraternal faith.

Penna. Eta has enjoyed the best of fortune in meeting so many of our sister chapters this fall. This is due mainly to foot-ball. Brother Harold, '91, is left guard, Brother Gabriel, '91, half-back, Bro. J. H. Apple, '92, quarter-back,

Bro. H. H. Apple, '89, half-back, and Brother Rupley, '88, captains the second eleven. These report a good time at the hands of Bucknell.

When the team went to Carlisle there were nine $\Phi \Psi$ s in the party. Penna. Zeta put on her gala attire and showed them a splendid time. The assembled $\Phi \Psi$ s never had such a bother in remembering names since, as freshmen, they first attempted to distinguish the professors by their nicknames. But before those twenty-six $\Phi \Psi$ s separated they could pick each other out from the bars without fail. Dickinson is the only team thus far that has defeated our college. When they play the return game, on Thanksgiving, we hope to rejoice in triumph, turkey, and thirty-six $\Phi \Psi$ s. Mutual greetings were exchanged for the first time with Brothers Ketcham and Temple, of Kappa.

Mother Eta has always had a strong following of elder sons about her home. These same sons are always distinguishing themselves. Bro. Wm. N. Apple, '80, is one of seven prominent gentlemen appointed by Governor Beaver to revise the laws relating to the poor in Pennsylvania. Major A. C. Reinhoel, '61, ran ahead of his ticket in his election to the district attorneyship. Brother Joseph C. Bowman has remained single since '72, and even before that, and takes the same interest in $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ that he did when active. Nearly every meeting hears his happy speeches and finds that he holds the best hand in whist.

Bro. Chas. H. Keller, '86, who entered the Reformed Theological Seminary this year, is gradually recovering from a severe illness.

Brother Schaffner was attorney for the prosecution in the annual mock trial of the Diagnothian Literary Society.

We are taking steps toward a chapter-house, and, though the way is not yet clear, another year will doubtless see this end obtained.

WALTER ALLAN REINOEHL.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania, November 30, 1889.

LAFAYETTE.

THE SHIELD came to us yesterday, and I felt ashamed of our chapter for not having any letters or personals in it, as our sister chapters around us do, but must say this is due to carelessness rather than laziness on our part.

Brother Hoke, '90, who has been at home sick with typhoid-malaria for over eight weeks, returned to his studies this week, looking rather the worse for his sickness; but we hope he will be able to hold his own when examinations begin, as he has done before.

Brother Mackey, '90, played the position of full-back on the college eleven, and captained the same, with much credit to himself, college, and $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$. He also is assistant editor-in-chief of the *Lafayette*, and devotes much time to it. At '90's class-day election he was elected, without opposition, to the office of "Presentation Orator," which is the most interesting feature of our commencement.

Brother Hoke will stand an election against Glover, $\Delta \Upsilon$, for "Prophet," and will probably be elected.

Brother Babbitt, '91, is manager of our "scrub" team, and has led them

to victory in every game. He has also taken the college team away on several of their trips, owing to the absence of Manager Snodgrass. As he is very popular and an earnest worker, he will undoubtedly be elected manager of our team next year. We wish him success.

Brother Dale, '91, was injured in a practice game, and has not been able to play since. His absence from the team is much felt.

Brother McIlvaine, '89, who played full-back on the Lafayette eleven when we captured the state championship, was with us again this season, and played his old position in the Lafayette-Lehigh game. He is much liked in college. He is at present with his wife at the home of his parents, in Chambersburg, Pa.

Brother Cummins, '88, of the Wilmington *Morning News*, was here with more of his class to see the Lafayette-Lehigh game. He stayed over and was entertained by his many friends.

Brother McDowell, '88, was here to see the same game.

Brothers Bailey, '90, Loose, '90, Hoke, '90, Babbitt, '91, and Dale, '91, all witnessed the Yale-Princeton game.

We are having our rooms beautifully decorated, and electric lights substituted for gas, which make them now very cosy.

Best wishes to Φ \K Ψ and to THE SHIELD, and a merry Xmas to all our brethren.

F. A. GODCHARLES.

Easton, Pennsylvania, November 30, 1889.

MADISON UNIVERSITY.

We realize that this is our last opportunity to appear in THE SHIELD during 1889. It seems hardly possible that another year is almost gone, yet it must be, for the boys are beginning to "kick" over examinations, the double cut rule, and in fact all college regulations except those providing for holidays. I do not know how it is at other colleges, but here if the boys get a run on a professor, or "get off" an examination, they feel as happy as though they had received one of those letters from home that indicate that the paternal bank has not suspended payment. This may be an anomalous phenomenon, but I never saw a man who did not feel just that way before he spent six months in college.

Madison University is passing through a critical period in her history. It is widely known that a plan has been proposed and partially executed to change the name of this institution to Colgate University. When this proposition was first brought prominently before the undergraduates they, for reasons sentimental rather than sensible, opposed the change. But now, since they have seen professors who have labored for this university for years, and who love it as no other men can, working earnestly for the change, there has been an entire revision of opinions. All of the students are now in favor of the new name.

Of course the alumni are interested; and it is right that their desires should have great weight. It appears that the great majority recognize the appropriateness of the change, and also its advantage to the university. But a few, led

by one whose loyalty to the university takes uncertain and unnatural forms, are fighting the project. That an old man who has passed into second childhood, and who has nothing else to do, should oppose it, need cause no alarm. But how any loyal, level-headed alumnus can work against the change, now I can not see. All this sentimentality about having Madison on their diplomas is nonsense. A man who intends to use his diploma as a universal passport in life will find it hard to get it visèd. The controversy has reached a point now where, if the change be not made, the consequences will be very serious. If it be made I believe this university will prosper as it has never before. I hope before many months to see Epsilon's letter headed "Colgate University."

It seems to me that there is nothing which stirs our fraternity as the enthusiasm of these alumni associations does. It cheers the active brothers to see that the old boys still love and remember their fraternity. It incites the chapters to redoubled efforts in order to keep pace with their older brethren. I believe that in some ways these associations can do more for the fraternity than the chapters themselves.

New York Epsilon is doing well in every way. The brothers are all harmonious. This means much to a chapter. It is painfully evident that some of our brothers are becoming entangled in the mazy meshes which so often ensnare the young. This is a pretty good maxim: Do not pay much attention to the girls until you have finished your mathematics. Sentiment wont solve knotty problems.

Our new library, the gift of James B. Colgate, is progressing finely. It will be covered before cold weather comes, and work will continue inside all winter.

Epsilon wishes all Phi Psis North, East, South, and West a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, New York, December 11, 1889.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Since writing our regular monthly contribution to THE SHIELD, we have brought within the fold of Virginia Beta a brother whom we are anxious to notice in the December issue of the Phi Kappa Psi organ. Reference is made to Bro. Edward T. Coman, of Kankakee, Illinois. Brother Coman comes to Washington and Lee University after a six months' course at Ann Arbor, Michigan, law department. He entered the law department here, and is taking both courses.

And what have we to say of him? First of all, he is a man of physique. Over six feet in height, he is well developed, and the more fragile members of our fraternity feel that they now have a real protector in case of war. He is a leader in athletics, and captain of the foot-ball team. He has been the means of training the Washington and Lee eleven to a high degree of proficiency in the Rugby game. In the law department he stands high. With both courses—not by any means an easy ticket—he stands near the head, evincing superior

ability also in law debate. As a recognition of his worth and ability, he was chosen one of the debaters of the Graham-Lee Literary Society contest, and on January 19th next we hope that he may be the recipient of another token of worth—the medal to be then awarded. We are justly proud of our Brother Coman, and will let you hear of him often.

R. L. HARPER.

Lexington, Virginia, November 18, 1889.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY.

Since her last letter to THE SHIELD little has occurred to change the course of Virginia Gamma. But she is not inactive, for after several victories over her rivals in getting the new men, she is on the watch for other worthy candidates.

It is with pleasure, and at the same time with regret, that we chronicle the marriage of Bro. J. R. Graham, (class of '89, U. T. Seminary,) to Miss Sophia Peck, of H.-S. C., and on congratulating him are sorry to say that he has taken away such an accomplished and popular member of H.-S. society. They have arrived safely at their destination, (Tsing Kiang Pu, China,) where he will immediately enter upon his missionary labors. And not only has Φ Ψ thus had removed from her midst a brother so much beloved by all, but has also lost a most charming and loyal sister, Miss Page Holladay, who accompanied the party on their trip. Her engagement to Rev. R. V. Lancaster, stationed at Hangchow, has been announced. It is useless for us to express our regret at thus losing them, but the mystic shield went with them and we know that its associations are not soon forgotten. Brother Graham promised to write us a letter for THE SHIELD. We only add our trust that the same hand that keeps them will, through them, bless our grand old fraternity.

In the late Senior Oratorical Contest in the Philanthropic Society our only representatives "walked off with the cake." The undersigned received the medal by a handsome majority, and Brother Holladay was elected to deliver it to him.

We hope to be able to announce some like successes on the part of our goats before the end of the year. Much to our regret Σ X did not return any men to college this year, and is now extinct. Some others came near a similar fate, but by dint of hard work will pull through, and some, as usual, have rushed to the other extreme; but we hold our own as usual.

We are rejoiced to see such alumni associations as have not long ago been organized, and, by the way, have heard rumors of movements in a like direction nearer home, which we hope will prove true.

Our B. G. returns hearty thanks for the pressing invitation from our Cincinnati Φ Ψs on behalf of the chapter. We predict for it a grand success at the approaching event, and hope to be represented. What will not such associations make the fraternity?

The college has added another name to its already large list of distinguished men—that of Virginia's governor-elect, who was the first senior medalist of the Philanthropic Society and graduated here. He is a member of Β Θ Π.

With congratulations on the present excellence of THE SHIELD, and kind wishes for its and the fraternity's prosperity,

W. S. STUART.

Hampden-Sidney, Virginia, December 11, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

After having spent a very pleasant vacation, we are glad to have the pleasure of meeting around our beloved old Phi Kappa Psi altar once more, and enjoying those privileges which only we are permitted to enjoy.

The university opened September 26th with about 200 students in attendance. Of these a goodly number are new boys, and of course the rush made by the various fraternities was animated. It gives us great pleasure to introduce to THE SHIELD and sister chapters Brothers Shannan, Masingale, Johns, Dobbins, Crawford, and Bullard. We can not be other than pleased with the above-named men as the results of our labor.

Brothers Swinney and Ashley, '89, paid us a flying visit at the beginning of this session.

The fraternity contests for the college year are practically over, and, as usual, we have come in contact with one or more of our rivals. On every occasion we have come out of the fight stronger than ever. The chapter, however, is strong in individuals, as in members. Never has it been more loyal, and if any wandering Phi Psi will take the trouble to look in upon us, we will prove to him that a warm place exists in the heart of Mississippi Alpha for every member of the fraternity.

The fear of flunks in to-morrow's recitation brings this letter to a close. We sincerely wish the best success to all our sister chapters.

B. G. WILLIAMS.

University of Mississippi, December 3, 1889.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Alpha's last chapter-letter was written before the beginning of the term. Its predictions as to increased attendance of students at the Ohio Wesleyan University have been signally fulfilled. At the very first service the chapel was full, and before a week it became evident that other arrangements would have to be made to accommodate the increased number of students. The trustees of St. Paul M. E. Church kindly offered their main audience-room for the use of the college, and daily a thousand students may be seen wending their way thither for prayers.

The popularity of Dr. Bashford, our new president, increases. His open countenance and genial smile win for him friends wherever he goes. He has solved the difficult problem of a quiet chapel service. His words are full of wisdom, and even the most mischievous give heed while he talks or prays.

Ohio Alpha has been trying to keep up with the Ohio Wesleyan University in her increased prosperity. Nor has she failed. Opening the term with nine

active members, she now numbers sixteen. Our increase in numbers came from the return of Bro. F. E. Ross, '91, and the initiation of six freshmen. We take pleasure in introducing our new brothers. They are in the order of initiation: J. B. Foraker, Jr., son of our gallant governor; F. C. Weaver, C. W. Reynolds, Frank R. Foraker, Richard F. Rust, and E. T. Reed, a brother to W. P. Reed, '89. We think ourselves fortunate in the number and quality of these new brothers. Several of them were "rushed" by other fraternities, and all would have been had not some been from families distinctively Phi Psi. Being first in numbers, we think no more congenial crowd of Greeks can be found than assembles weekly in our chapter-hall at the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Socially, as a chapter, we have had some most delightful times this term. Our thanks are due to Brother McCafferty, '89, for a two days' entertainment at his magnificent country home near Mt. Sterling, Ohio. By his invitation, on Saturday evening, October 19th, all the active members of the chapter found themselves at his residence. On the next day we had the pleasure of grasping the hand of Bro. E. B. Dillon, '90, who drove over from London to greet his old friends. We very reluctantly left Brother McCafferty's Monday morning, everybody voting the whole affair a Phi Psi banquet prolonged to two days. "Mac," by his pleasant ways, had always been a favorite among the boys, but when we had given "three cheers for Brother McCafferty," and mounted the train for home, we felt that we were leaving behind a friend indeed. Long live McCafferty!

Brilliant indeed was the reception tendered the "Knights and Ladies of the Pink and Lavender" by Mrs. Philip Phillips on Thursday evening, November 14th. Mrs. Phillips, proud of the good will and brotherly feeling existing between the different fraternities here, had invited one representative and lady from each of the other eight similar organizations. At 6:30 the guests began to arrive, and soon after about fifty-eight of the happiest of mortals had been welcomed by our genial hostess, and were having a general good time. After a sumptuous repast, the remainder of the evening was spent chiefly with music, instrumental and vocal. Some of the best musical talent of the college being present, the moments flew, and ere we realized it the time had come for saying "Good night." Everybody left feeling that Mrs. Phillips knew how to entertain as few ladies do.

P. N. JONES.

Delaware, Ohio, November 24, 1889.

WITTENBERG.

Everything has been quiet and lovely on Wittenberg's picturesque hills since we last wrote to you.

The local oratorical contest occurred on Thursday, November 12th. The winner is Frank S. Deloe, a member of Beta Theta Pi. His subject was "The Modern Faith." We were not represented this year, the first time in the history of the association.

Our very good glee club has been re-organized and will shortly make a

tour. We are represented by Bros. Robert H. Hiller and Clem Ehrenfelt, first tenor and basso, Bro. Will Bauer, violinist, and Bro. Charles Bauer, leader.

By the time this reaches you our annual circular letter to the alumni will be ready to send out. We don't forget THE SHIELD.

Bro. Robert Hiller is conducting the Art Department of the college quite successfully. He is also obtaining quite a good deal of praise for his fine paintings.

Bro. Alvin Linn, who held the position of Acting Professor of Natural Sciences last year, has been placed in the Chair. Brother Linn is a very popular and able instructor.

A gymnasium, long talked about, is now being erected and will shortly be ready for use.

Bro. Frank Geiger, '87, who has been lately in the employ of the Smithsonian Institute, has returned and is now studying law in this city.

Ohio Beta will undoubtedly occupy a chapter-house next year if a suitable one can be obtained.

With a merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all Phi Psis from Ohio Beta, we close.

HENRY F. MACCRACKEN.

Springfield, Ohio, December 12, 1889.

WOOSTER.

Since our last letter we have initiated Brothers Walter Black and James Bailey, of Zanesville, Ohio, and are justly proud of our acquisition. All of the chapters here are in good condition, and the spirit of true Pan-Hellenism seems to prevail.

Wooster's foot-ball team has been in constant practice, and has met Denison here and on her own grounds. Both games resulted disastrously—for Denison. We are represented on the eleven by Brother Chalfant.

Our faculty has, for some unknown reason, prohibited dancing, which has formerly been a common amusement among the students. Accordingly a stag dance was held, which was enjoyed by over a hundred of the boys, a large number of whom displayed every known variety of feminine toilets.

Brothers Glover, Hudson, and Vorhees spent Thanksgiving with Brother Weeks, at Marion, and your correspondent was entertained at the home of Brother McIlvaine, New Philadelphia, Ohio.

Our chapter anxiously awaits the Grand Catalogue and Song Book. We also rejoice over the birth of another Alumni Association, and we are much pleased with THE SHIELD, but let it always be a monthly.

We wish all connected with the fraternity a pleasant holiday vacation.

I. C. FALCONER.

Wooster, Ohio, December 9, 1889.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The fall term closes on the 18th. It has been a very quiet term, and the students, as a body, have done good work, although it is probable that when registration-day again comes around some will be missed, as usual. The faculty has adopted a new plan as regards final examinations. Instead of setting aside the last week of the term for finals, each professor is at liberty to pass the students either with or without examinations; and if he does examine, he can only use his regular recitation hour for that purpose. The plan does not meet with general favor, for it brings as high as four examinations in one day for some, with very little time for reviewing.

The first of the course of Sunday afternoon lectures before the students was delivered by Dr. Mayo, of Boston, on "The duty of the North to the children of the South."

The local oratorical contest occurs on the 24th of January with six contestants. Bro. R. K. Beach will hold up Ohia Δ's end in good form.

Brother Kiesewetter will represent Φ Κ Ψ on the Makio Board, and we predict a good number.

Owing to his long spell of sickness Brother Rice will not re-enter school until next year.

For the last two years we have been looking around for a new hall, and have at last found one that suits us, and we will move some time during the vacation. The new hall is in the Monneypenny Block, on the east side of High street, north of Long. It consists of one large room and two small ones, and was built for a society hall.

If things go as we expect them to we will have two or three initiations for the first of next term.

Wishing every Phi Psi a merry Christmas and a happy New Year we close.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, December 15, 1889.

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Such a demonstration as took place at De Pauw on the 12th of this month has not been seen for many years. The occasion was the election of Dr. J. P. D. John to the presidency of the university at a special meeting of the trustees on that date. Dr. John had always been the students' choice for president, and when it was finally announced that he had been elected everybody was wild with joy. The college bell began to ring, and crowds of students paraded the streets with banners and flags. When the newly-elected president stepped from the train he was met by 1,000 students with a band, and the military companies in full uniform, and was escorted to Meharry Hall, where speeches of congratulation were made by students and faculty.

At the same meeting of the trustees Dr. Gobin, president of Baker University, Baldwin, Kan., was elected Dean of the School of Theology, which position was recently made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Bowman. Prof. Beals, of our Preparatory faculty, was elected to the Chair of Systematic The-

ology. Both Dr. Gobin and Prof. Beals are graduates of De Pauw, and are men of marked ability. Prof. Beals' place in the Preparatory School will be filled by Prof. Huffman, of Illinois Wesleyan University. These changes give new life to the university. With such men in charge of affairs, the prospects for De Pauw University are indeed flattering.

We have another reason to feel proud of our *alma mater*. It has just been learned that a charter has been granted to establish a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at this institution. All necessary documents have been received, and on the 17th of this month the details of organization will be completed.

And evidently $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$ has profited by the new life which pervades the atmosphere. All has been activity in the camp of the $\Phi \Psi$ s. Upon the announcement of the resignation of Dr. Bowman, the thought struck us of securing his elegant residence as a chapter house. Acting upon this thought we began negotiations, and, as a result, we are glad to announce that our efforts have proven successful. All arrangements have been made to take possession of the house on January 1st, and after that date the " $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$ Chapter House" will be headquarters. The property is situated on the corner of Seminary Street and College Avenue, just opposite the College Avenue Church, and only half a block from the East College building. The house contains thirteen rooms, conveniently and tastefully arranged, and is elegantly finished both inside and out. Our old hall, which was one of the best, if not the best fraternity hall in town, becomes the property of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias.

We were very greatly surprised and gratified to receive on the 13th inst. a Christmas package from Brother Daumont, president of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, containing a handsome portrait of himself, a banner for ornamenting our chapter halls, and, what's dear to every $\Phi \Psi$, a cake. There are no more enthusiastic $\Phi \Psi$ s living than Brother Daumont and his wife.

We had almost forgotten to speak of our musicale, which took place November 22d. This was our second entertainment of this kind, our first being given last spring. The programme consisted of music, both vocal and instrumental, by our boys and "our girls." Our $\Phi \Psi$ professors and wives were present, together with several other members of the faculty. President John and wife sent regrets, being unable to attend on account of official duties.

We wish to present to the fraternity an old $\Phi \Psi$ as a new member of Indiana Alpha—Bro. Grant Ross, from Simpson College, Iowa. This makes our active membership twenty-three, and with Brother Cleveland, who will be in next term, we will number an even two dozen.

We wish all a merry Christmas.

CHARLES A. HOUTS.

Greencastle, Indiana, December 13, 1889.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

To THE SHIELD and all sister chapters of the fraternity Indiana Beta sends greeting. The non-appearance of our last letter must have been due to its late arrival. For this an apology is surely due.

Since our last letter we have been greatly favored by a visit from three of

our brothers from Indiana Gamma, Brothers McFadden, McCulloch, and King. The occasion which brought them here was a game of foot-ball between the two institutions. We decline to tell the score.

Two weeks ago we had the pleasure of enjoying the hospitality of Indiana Alpha. The occasion which took us there was the same as the one just mentioned, and ten of our chapter accompanied the team. We also had with us during Thanksgiving Brother Crawford, of Indiana Alpha. We are always glad to visit and to be visited.

The first term of the college year is drawing to a close, and with pleasure we glance back to fourteen weeks of fraternity life well spent. Our number now is "sweet sixteen," but after Christmas we expect to have with us Brothers Truscott, Guthrie, Robinson, and Butterworth, which will raise our number to twenty.

All of our boys expect to eat turkey dinner at home Christmas.

Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity held its National Convention at this place last month. Eighteen out of twenty chapters were represented. A large banquet and reception was tendered the visitors Friday night, November 1st.

Work on our "Black Room" is progressing, and it will soon be ready for another victim.

With best wishes for THE SHIELD, the Cincinnati alumni banquet, and the general fraternity, and may success crown all.

W. F. MORRIS.

Bloomington, Indiana, December 15, 1889.

WABASH COLLEGE.

For the last time in '89 Indiana Gamma sends greeting to all sister chapters and THE SHIELD. To say that the past year has been highly flattering and encouraging to us would not be expressing our feelings. In the last eighteen months we have overcome obstacles that seemed almost insurmountable, and we feel sure that we can claim first place among the fraternities at Wabash. We are glad to state that no chapter could have more brotherly love and affection than ours, and the brothers are thoroughly imbued with the Phi Psi spirit.

At our last meeting we had an election of officers, as follows: Brothers J. S. McFadden, Perrin, Armstrong, Goldsbury, Hutchings, McCulloch, Dole, and Patton. It was the best meeting we have had, and the brothers all showed themselves in earnest and ready to go in hard at work next term.

We were sorry to hear from one of our brothers (Brother Crouse) that he will probably not be with us next term. He has been and always will be an enthusiastic Phi Psi. Ever the thought was uppermost in his mind to make Indiana Gamma what she ought to be. In his departure we lose a good brother and an excellent fellow-worker. Our sympathies and best wishes go with him, and we hope he may soon return.

Brother Fritz (Kansas Alpha) was with us not long ago. He entertained us with a very enthusiastic and interesting talk, and we hope he may often repeat his visit. He will probably occupy the Chair of Elocution in Wabash

next term. He is a thorough Phi Psi, and we sincerely wish him to remain with us.

Not long since quite a stir was created among fraternities by the resignation of Messrs. Shull and Brewer from the Sigma Chi fraternity. They are excellent men and have not as yet joined any fraternity.

Last Saturday the Scientifics and Classicals of the freshman class played a game of foot-ball. It resulted in a score of 10 to 8 in favor of the Classicals. Brothers Hutchings and Farrell represented Phi Psi on the two teams, Brother Farrell being captain of the Scientifics. Both played a fine game.

Most of the brothers will go home to-morrow, and when we come back we expect to go into the work more heartily and more zealously than ever before.

We wish a happy vacation for all, and hope in the future victory may ever perch on the banner of Phi Kappa Psi, as it has done in the past.

JAMES H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, December 16, 1889.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity our new acquisition, Bro. John Walz, '92. With him our initiations for the term cease. While our work in the rushing line was not numerically strong, nevertheless we feel abundantly satisfied with the results, for material is unusually scarce this year, and those initiated come up in every particular to the high standard we strive to maintain.

It is with feelings of regret, however, that we report the withdrawal of Brother Harvey, '93, from school. The illness of his partner in business in the city has forced him to this step. We earnestly hope he may so adjust matters as to join us again next term.

One of the greatest events of the season in social circles was the marriage of Bro. Frank Little, '88, to Miss Mabelle Thatcher, '88, at her home at River Forest on the evening of November 4th. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Fowler. Among the many guests present was a goodly proportion from our active chapter and alumni, as well as from the chapter of $\kappa \alpha \theta$, of which Miss Thatcher is a member.

The Annual Board for 1890 is already organized, and, judging from the frequency of its meetings and enthusiasm of its members, we anticipate a rare treat in the production of next spring. We are represented on the Literary Board by Brother Humphrey, and on the Financial by Brother Springer.

In our last letter we expressed serious doubts as to a cane-rush this year. Happily our prophetic vision was vested in ignorance profound, for the two classes succeeded in coming to an agreement, and in three minutes from the "charge" the cane was a conglomeration of lesser entities through a clever coincidence of foot and hand by Brother Fawcett, '92.

Through the unceasing activities of Brother Grier, as chairman of the Senior Entertainment Committee, Levy and his troupe were engaged for No-

vember 19th, resulting in a financial as well as musical success. The proceeds go to defray graduating expenses.

Brothers Moulding and Fawcett will represent us on the Gage Debate Contest, to be held in April next. And that reminds me—it is with the customary feeling of resignation that we again record a Moulding casualty. The B. G. finds it a matter of much difficulty and withal quite an achievement to pen a letter to *THE SHIELD* with the full assurance that said young man is physically intact. He is now suffering from a strain in the foot received in a foot-ball game between our eleven and the college team of Chicago.

We failed to mention in our last letter the granting of a charter by Φ B K to Northwestern. It is understood that one fourth of the seniors will be selected at commencement, but information on the subject is as yet very meagre.

On November 9th we held our regular term social at the hall, which was also the occasion of a farewell visit with Bro. W. E. McLennan, '87, and wife, who left soon after for a new field of labor in Mexico. The chapter wishes them continued success in the work of life.

We were pleased by a visit from Brother Dempsey recently. He will not return until next year, when he will join '92.

Γ Φ B recently held her convention here, creating a very favorable impression. The local chapter is to be congratulated for the success of the occasion. The session closed with a reception at the Avenue House, at which many of the Φ Ψ boys were present.

The question of browsing the goats in contiguous proximity is again before the fraternities. As Φ K Σ has again revived and made application, she will be admitted. The other chapters in the scheme are B Θ Π , Σ X, and Φ K Ψ . Φ Δ Θ , for reasons best known to herself, continues to adhere to her policy of last year by refusing to unite with us in this another Pan-Hellenic banquet.

Examinations begin Wednesday, lasting a week. We wish all the brothers a most enjoyable vacation.

F. A. ALABASTER.

Evanston, Illinois, December 7, 1889.

MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY.

Bro. C. C. Warren, our regular chapter correspondent for *THE SHIELD*, went to his home in Hinsdale, Ill., to eat turkey with his friends on Thanksgiving-day, and on account of illness has not returned. Not for one moment would we have the readers of *THE SHIELD* draw the conclusion that Michigan Alpha Phi Psis are in the habit of so overestimating their capacity on august or other occasions as to make themselves useless for future reference.

In looking over Michigan Alpha's last *SHIELD* letter I find that Brother Warren used not a few words to tell you of the high standard of the University of Michigan. Let what praise he saw fit to give to the University of Michigan suffice for this month, for in the face of our last two foot-ball games I choose not to applaud.

Right here mention might be made as regards our foot-ball game with Cornell. The two teams met in Buffalo about three weeks ago. The day was

beautiful, and I may say without the slightest reservation that both teams played hard; but, owing to some misunderstanding between the University of Michigan men and the umpire, the laurels, I believe, were given to Cornell. For further particulars see Cornell chapter letter.

Since our last writing we have been favored with visits from two of our alumni brothers, viz.: Brothers Halsted, '87, and Walbridge, '88. The former is now located in Chicago with the Globe Iron Works, while Brother Walbridge is about to take up business in Toledo, having spent the last year in Europe.

Two weeks ago we gave a hop at the chapter-house, the first one of the season with us. Our parlors were graced with twenty Phi Psi girls, who wore the pink and lavender. The evening was spent most pleasantly, and joy was unconfined as we "chased the glowing hours with flying feet."

As I write the news comes to me of the death of Dr. H. S. Frieze, Dean of the university, and Professor of Latin and Literature. Dr. Frieze was born at Boston, Mass., in 1817. At twenty years of age he entered Brown University, and graduated in 1841 as valedictorian of his class. In 1854 he was called to succeed Dr. Haven as Professor of Latin and Literature in our university, and has held that position with great credit to the university and honor to himself during an uninterrupted period of thirty-five years. Time and space will not admit of further sketch of his life here, but it is sufficient to say of Dr. Frieze what he himself once said in announcing the death of the late Professor Watson: "The university is in mourning. She has lost the foremost and brightest of all her sons. This community, this state, all mourn his loss. The university, the scene of his toil and achievement, the home of his dearest friendships, at whose feet he has gladly laid all the trophies of his success, will bend over his grave with deep sorrow and anguish of heart."

To THE SHIELD and all chapters of the fraternity we most heartily wish a prosperous and happy New Year.

JAMES B. SMALLBY.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, December 13, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD we have initiated one more man from the baby class of '93 into our mysterious circle. The name of the offering on the shrine of Phi Kappa Psi is Thomas S. Swope, of Louisville, Ky. Brother Swope might have been a Chi Psi, a Sigma Chi, or a Phi Delta Theta, and it is justly to his credit he is a Phi Psi.

Carl A. Johnson, '91, who has been ours in spirit since his freshman year, was also initiated a short time ago. Brother Johnson has been unable until the present time to gain his parents' consent to his joining.

Bro. F. J. Turner, Assistant Professor of History in the university, was married on Thanksgiving-day to Miss Caroline Mae Sherwood, of Chicago. They have taken up their residence in Madison, and we are all much rejoiced to admit another sister into our numerous circle of brothers. Our list of sisters

is constantly increasing in the city, Brothers Pease, Brandenburg, and Cole having materially assisted in this respect.

We received a visit not long since from Bro. W. C. Wilson, secretary of the fraternity. He remained with us but a day or so, being on his way to Spokane Falls on business.

Prof. W. F. Allen, our Professor of History, died very suddenly this morning of pneumonia. Professor Allen had been in the university since 1867, and was universally beloved by those with whom he came in contact. By his death the university loses one of its brightest minds, and a void is made which it will be impossible to fill.

Brother Turner will probably take Professor Allen's place for the present, if not permanently.

CHARLES. H. STODDARD.

Madison, Wisconsin, December 9, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

We want to begin by saying "Amen" to the suggestions of our brothers from Washington and Jefferson. Let THE SHIELD continue a monthly. The $\Delta T \Delta$ *Rainbow* in its last issue spoke disparagingly of our paper as being of very little general interest. We do not want a publication of general interest; we want one that will interest $\Phi \Psi$ s. Of course one's view of this matter depends very much on his idea of a fraternity organ. If we want a magazine with elaborately prepared articles covering six pages that nobody reads, then doubtless THE SHIELD is not what it ought to be. But if we want a paper in which we can read what our brothers are doing, what the fraternity is doing, what the Greek world is doing, and if we want to know these things before they have become ancient history, then we submit we have that paper in THE SHIELD. And we do not lack for articles of a literary character, and for helpful discussions of matters of general Phi Kappa Psi interest.

The *Scroll* has now become a bi-monthly, leaving us the only monthly fraternity magazine. [This is not quite true.—ED.] Long may it be so! We have a bond that binds our chapters together as nothing else can, and it is safe to say that there is not a $\Phi \Psi$ in the fraternity who does not look with eager expectation for his monthly copy of THE SHIELD.

Our chapter has been continuing the even tenor of its way for the last month. On Monday evening, December 2d, we had a very pleasant informal gathering at our house. Some thirty-six ladies and gentlemen managed to amuse themselves in one way and another, and most of us thought we had a good time.

The oratorical contests have begun at the university. In the first preliminary contest, resulting in the choice of ten, the $\Phi \Psi$ s take four places—Brothers Floyd Triggs, Purdy, Lommen, and Timberlake. We hope to keep up our record in this direction. Bro. Floyd Triggs is the youngest member of the fraternity, but we expect great things of him.

In our October letter we mentioned that the barbs. had formed a combination and elected their leaders to the class offices. They were jubilant. But an old proverb advises us not to halloo till we are out of the bush. One fine morning ten of these gentlemen appeared with the pins of a new fraternity upon their breasts—B Θ Π. They start in with seven seniors and three juniors. The barbs. think it is pretty hard, and it looks like a moral victory for the Greeks. We may say for the benefit of our brothers that the new initiates distinctly assert that B Θ Π is ahead of any fraternity represented at the University of Minnesota.

The Φ Δ Θs no longer exist at the university, but it is definitely understood that the ex-members will receive a charter from Δ Κ Ε. We understand that the matter has caused a split among their alumni.

Since last writing THE SHIELD we had an exceedingly pleasant visit from our secretary, Bro. W. C. Wilson. He gave us some excellent hints.

Let us end as we began: Success and long life to THE SHIELD.

THEODORE G. SOARES.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, December 7, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC.

California Alpha was very sorry that she was not represented in the October number of THE SHIELD. Her letter was written immediately after receiving the September number, as was directed in that issue, but again we plead great distance from the editor and his sanctum.

Since our last issue we have initiated two men, Bros. Henry R. Timm, of Dixon, Solano County, and James Blair Newell, of Santa Clara. Brother Newell is a son of Bro. J. M. Newell, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Santa Clara. We now have nineteen men, six of whom are freshmen; but we are hardly satisfied yet, and expect to have one or two more from '93 before long, of whom you will probably hear later.

At Brother Newell's initiation we had quite a spread, and an after-dinner speech from Brother Newell, Sr., who, by the way, comes from Pennsylvania Alpha, having been initiated in 1862. After our little banquet we adjourned to our chapter-hall, where we have our meetings, and were entertained by Bros. V. C. Richards and C. M. Williams, who are good musicians. Brother Richards is an exceedingly good cornetist, and on the evening we speak of rendered some very fine compositions. We threw open our chapter-hall windows, and gave the "barbs" and others an opportunity to hear. Brother Williams, who possesses a fine voice, then entertained us with several songs, accompanying himself on the guitar.

On Thanksgiving Phi Kappa Psi again made herself famous for her hospitality. All of our boys who live at the university and in the chapter-house had a grand turkey dinner, and enough girls to go around—around the turkey, I mean. Our Chinese cook, who calls himself Jim Phi Psi, was in his element,

and everything went off in the way that it usually does when Jim and Brother von Glahn get together on any refreshment affair. Of course we had the nicest girls in the institution, and of course if any of them were not Phi Psis before they came they were afterwards.

We have recently been building a porch on the south end of our chapter-house, and although it is not as great as it might be, it is rather ornamental, and useful in ways that it is not necessary to specify here.

We have recently made the acquaintance of Bro. Clarence J. Uhl, of Ohio Beta. Brother Uhl came to College Park and San Jose a couple of days ago from Vacaville, and as we have personally entertained him, we find him a brother in whom all may feel well pleased. Brother Uhl has obtained employment in one of the largest stores in San Jose, and while so occupied will probably live with the boys at the chapter-house.

Our annual contest between the Phizomian and the Archanian societies will come off on December 20th, and although there are two $\Phi \Psi$ s on the programme from each society, by a singular coincidence they do not oppose each other. Brothers Beasly and Rich represent Archania in the debate, and Brothers Blake and von Glahn represent Phizomia with orations.

We fear that our epistle is getting lengthy, and so we must draw to a close. The writer's term as B. G. and SHIELD correspondent closes with the year 1889. The experience in writing for THE SHIELD and to the brothers in our official capacity has been a pleasant one, and we resign this part of our work hoping that it may fall into better hands, as it very easily can. Long live THE SHIELD and Phi Kappa Psi!

EDWIN A. WILCOX.

College Park, California, November 28, 1889.



Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA A.

Rev. J. D. Moorhead, of Beaver Falls, is recovering from his recent attack of pneumonia.

Brother Johnston, '82, has hung out his shingle at Seattle, Washington, and would be pleased to meet all Phi Psis in the vicinity.

PENNSYLVANIA B.

C. D. Chalfont is a leading physician of Streator, Ill.

R. C. Bole, '86, is practicing law with his uncle, Mayor Bole, of Corry, Pa.

C. L. Miller, '90, is located at 2631 Dickson street, St. Louis, Mo. He has charge of the music in his father's church in that city.

F. A. Cattern, '89, departed on Thanksgiving-day to accept the principalship of the Grammar School at Scituate, Mass.

F. H. Morgan, '81, of LeRoy, N. Y., spent several days in the city recently. He is at present editor of the *LeRoy Times*.

Joseph Shippen, '57, recently delivered a lecture on "Mozart" before the pupils of the Meadville Conservatory of Music, which was very highly complimented by those who were present.

W. F. Hill, '89, of Westford, Pa., made us a flying visit a few days ago. We discovered after he had departed that the reason for his visit was to obtain the necessary papers to take unto himself a wife.

PENNSYLVANIA C.

'66. Prof. Freeman Loomis, Ph. D., represented Bucknell University at the annual convention of the College Association of the Middle States and Maryland, which was held at the University of Pennsylvania on November 29th and 30th.

'71. Rev. J. J. Nicholas, former pastor at Phoenixville, Pa., has removed to Oakland, California.

'90. T. J. Purdy, formerly of '90, has gone to Aztec, New Mexico, for the improvement of his health.

The Elmira, New York, *Daily Gazette* of October 15, 1889, had quite a long sketch of the life and career of Bro. W. C. Gretzinger, business manager of the university.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

Bro. J. A. Brown, '81, who commenced business as a druggist in the most fashionable part of Lancaster but a year ago, has increased and remodeled his store so that it is now one of the finest in the city.

Mr. Charles K. Yeager and bride, *nee* Miss Nancy Clippenger, of New Oxford, Pa., have returned from their wedding trip and will reside in the East End. The groom is a lawyer of this city, and the bride, who is well known here, is a niece of Mr. William M. Hersh.—*Pittsburgh Bulletin*.

PENNSYLVANIA H.

Bro. Russell N. Koplín, '86, is preaching at Stroudsburg, Pa.

Bro. A. L. G. Hay, '88, has entered into business with his brother at Meyersdale, Pa. He will continue his law studies.

A Phi Psi law partnership has been formed between A. H. Rothermell, '87, and D. F. Mauger, '86. They will put forth their shingle in Reading, Pa.

Bro. Frank E. Shroder, '86, has been delegated to represent Pennsylvania Eta at the coming Cincinnati alumni banquet. He will be gone the entire winter on a trip for his health.

Bro. E. E. Porterfield, '83, is one-half his former self. He is married. Brother Porterfield is a successful lawyer of Kansas City, and was lately married to the daughter of a prominent banker. He stopped to exchange fraternal greetings while on his wedding trip.

Many brothers will learn with sadness the death of Bro. J. E. Biesecker in Florida December 11, 1889. We clip the following estimate of his character from the Somerset *Herald*:

Dr. Biesecker's mind was one of exceptional brilliancy, and but for the fatal malady which gradually impaired his constitution and finally took his life—he died of consumption—he would certainly have had a successful and honorable career in his chosen profession. His was a nature of simple genuineness. An invalid almost from the cradle, never a word of complaint passed his lips. The kindly tones of his voice, the sweet and yet sad smile that ever brightened his face, and the be-

nignant expression of his great, honest eyes drew men irresistibly to him, and no one was prouder of his friendship than the writer. When one of our every-day companions is taken away, say what you will, speculate as to the great possibilities and honors the future would have bestowed upon him, the one chord that thrills in the breasts of those who remain is that of the regard he has won in their hearts. Honest as the daylight, never fearing to say and do what he believed to be right, his friends—and who was not?—were bound to him with hooks of steel.

PITTSBURGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Samuel Watson, Pa. A, '54, is the oldest initiate member of the association.

Every chapter in Pennsylvania is represented in our association, sixteen chapters represented in all.

The four names in the indexed list of members of Pittsburgh Bar Association under the letter "Y" are all Phi Psis.

The *Bulletin*, Pittsburgh's leading society journal gave our association quite a notice on the occasion of our first banquet and reception.

The Pittsburgh Association can boast of having a member from the baby chapter, Pennsylvania Kappa at Swarthmore, in the person of Bro. Grant Dibert, of Torrens Station, Pa. R. R.

Hon. George A. Jenks, Pa. A, '57, ex-Member of Congress and ex-Solicitor General of the United States, is also one of the early initiates of the fraternity who was with us at our first banquet.

William Yost, '74, seems to have been quite Bohemian in his tastes, having been a member of three different chapters, Illinois Gamma, Ohio Alpha and Michigan Alpha. Brother Yost was the founder of Michigan Alpha.

NEW YORK E.

W. A. Billings, '92, is singing in Auburn, N. Y.

Brothers Braman and Osgood are both members of the Salmagundi Board.

A. B. Potter, '91, is a member of the Arion Glee Club. This is our only college organization of the kind.

Rev. J. D. Rumsey, '84, of River Falls, Wis., is one of the Executive Committee of the Minnesota Alumni Association.

MARYLAND A.

Frederick J. Turner, Associate Professor of American History in the University of Wisconsin, was married on November 27th to Miss Mae Sherwood, of Chicago.

SOUTH CAROLINA A.

Brothers Barker, Butler and Sims, spent fair week in Columbia.

Bro. H. M. Clarkson, '87, was in the city with his bride during fair week.

Brother Lowndes has been elected president of the Junior Class Athletic Club.

Brother Legere, '91, is Declaimer, and Brother Love, '90, Marshal from the Clariosophic Society for the coming December contest.

MISSISSIPPI A.

Bro. C. C. Swinney, '89, is teaching school at Kosciusko, Miss.

Bro. W. P. Mills, '89, is clerking in his father's store at Kosciusko.

Bro. W. F. Ashley, '89, is at Lexington overseeing his mother's plantation.

Bro. C. Z. Stevens, '92, is clerking for his father at Augusta, Perry County.

Bro. W. M. Dun, '91, is teaching school near Hazlehurst, Copenh County.

OHIO A.

B. M. Allison is now in Boston. His business is that of Inspector for the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, at 71 Kilby street.

Bro. C. F. Hoover is spending his third year in Harvard Medical College, and is "chumming" with Brother Allison at 55 Clarendon street, Boston.

INDIANA B.

Brother Buskirk is at Hot Springs, Ark., for his health.

Brother Reed is in Montana, engaged in real estate.

Bro. George Baker is in a large railroad office at Chicago.

Brother Crawford, of Indiana Alpha, visited our chapter Thanksgiving.

Bro. Will Robinson, through junior with '88, is practicing law in Chicago.

Brothers King, McFadden and McCulloch, of Indiana Gamma, made us a visit last week.

ILLINOIS A.

M. C. Springer, '64, Chicago, formerly of the U. S. Internal Revenue Department, is the author of a Genealogical Table and History of the Springer family in Europe and North America for eight centuries, from the earliest German Princes. Brother Springer is a direct descendant of this ancient and noble family.

ILLINOIS B.

We had the pleasure of meeting an old Illinois Beta man on the 20th ult., Bro. Clement Geiger, class of '85. Brother Geiger is at present starting the South with Frederick Warde, and played to a packed house in Columbia. Stray $\Phi \Psi$'s are such rare visitors in this part of the country, that it gives us genuine pleasure to meet one, especially such a sterling $\Phi \Psi$ as Brother Geiger, who manages to keep up a lively interest in fraternity topics amid all the distractions of his profession. We shall hope to see more of him on his next visit to Columbia, and give him as rousing a reception as Michigan Alpha did on his last appearance at Ann Arbor. —University of South Carolina Correspondence.

MICHIGAN A.

F. G. Plain, '88, is with the Buda Iron Works, Buda, Ill.
H. T. Bannon, '89, is studying law in Portsmouth, Ohio.
G. W. Denney, '91, is in the newspaper business in Aurora, Ill.
C. G. Campbell, '88, is attending the New York College of Physicians and Surgeons.

W. S. Holden, '89, has been appointed receiver for the Merchants' Detective Association, Chicago, Ill.

KANSAS A.

The Phi Psis gave a reception and banquet last Saturday evening in honor of Prof. F. W. Blackmar. The first part of the evening was taken up by an initiation; the fortunate victim being Mr. Bryce Crawford, of Salina. The fraternity then repaired to Wiedeman's, where a spread was served, Prof. Blackmar presiding. After justice had been done to the good things, an interesting talk on college and fraternity life was given by Prof. Blackmar, who was followed by Prof. Dunlap, of Kansas State University, and Prof. Wood, of Baker University, a Phi Psi of Pennsylvania Beta chapter. Dr. Esterley, Mr. Frank Webster and Regent Spangler also responded to the call for speeches, and Phi Psi enthusiasm was thoroughly aroused. The supper over and the toasts finished the company

dispersed. Such fraternity reunions stir up the feeling of fellowship and the spirit of fraternity enthusiasm. Prof. Blackmar, in whose honor the spread was given, has deeply impressed the boys of Kansas Alpha by his splendid character and high attainments. He is a man of whom his fraternity may well be proud, and is a valuable addition to the faculty of Kansas University.—*University News.*

CALIFORNIA A.

Bro. J. G. Wheeler, '84, is on a stock ranch in Nevada.

Brother Ayer, '87, has left Nevada and is living near San Jose.

Bro. J. A. Fairchild, '84, has left San Diego and is practicing law at San Jose.

Bro. B. F. Hall, '84, graduated from the College of Pharmacy of San Francisco last November.

Bro. C. W. Breyfogle is traveling with his family in the East, and in the spring will go to Europe for a lengthy tour.

Brothers Dennett and Needham, '86, have entered into a partnership and will practice law at Modesto, San Joaquin Co. They are the only Republicans in the place.

Bro. Percy Burnett, of the class of '84, is in the city. He has just returned from South America where he has resided the past two years.

We clip the following from the Modesto *Herald* in regard to two loyal $\Phi \Psi$'s:

A new law firm has just been established in Modesto. L. L. Dennett, of Los Angeles, and J. C. Needham, of San Joaquin county, have formed a partnership and opened an office in the Treggea Building. They are young men of ability and pluck and propose to elbow their way right into a successful practice. Mr. Dennett is a son of Rev. William Dennett, pastor of the Methodist church of Modesto. For the past year he has been practicing law in Los Angeles. Both of the young men are graduates of the University of the Pacific, and of the Law Department of the Michigan State University. Mr. Needham was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Michigan, in 1887. Modesto has a goodly number of lawyers, but there is always room for one more, especially when the one in question is like the members of the new firm—straightforward young men of education and ability, bent on reaching the highest round in their profession. Such men are always in demand and we predict success to the new firm.

College and Fraternity Notes.

ΣX has entered the University of Southern California.

The Epsilon Alumni Chapter of Sigma Chi has been organized at Washington, D. C.— $\Phi \Delta \theta$ *Scroll*.

A Pan-hellenic club has been organized by the fraternity men resident in Birmingham, Alabama.— $\Phi \Delta \theta$ *Scroll*.

$\Phi \Delta \theta$, at its recent convention, redistricted its chapters and refused charters to petitioners from Washburn College and Purdue University.

The *Arrow*, of $\Pi B \Phi$, shows a sweet sisterly spirit by publishing in its latest issue an article written by an ΣX entitled, "Musings of a Sigma Chi."

Phi Kappa Psi has flourishing alumni associations at Cincinnati and Springfield, O.— $\Phi \Delta \theta$ *Scroll*.

Ditto Chicago, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh.

Delta Phi has absorbed IKA at Trinity. Strong protests are being heard from the alumni of the latter society, which has long held a commanding position among New England societies.

There are now 87 professors in different colleges who were students under Dr. McCosh. Seven of these he taught when in Ireland, and 80 are graduates of Princeton.—*Boston Herald*.

Mrs. Caroline Donavin but a few weeks ago handed the trustees of Johns Hopkins a check for \$100,000, making over \$400,000 that institution has received in the last six months.

At the recent convention of KKI , one of the eastern chapters of the society endeavored to secure the adoption of a constitutional amendment looking toward ΔYs "non-secret" plan, but the proposition was strongly negatived and the dear girls will go on keeping (?) their secrets just like the men.

At the University of Berlin a course of public lectures on musical subjects will be given during the coming winter. Prof. Bellerman will

treat of the music of the ancient Greeks, and Prof. Spitta will consider the state of concert and chamber music since the death of Beethoven.

A prize of \$15 will be given to the writers of the two best Williams College songs, which must be handed to the business manager of the *Weekly* before December 17. The songs may be adapted to any music that the writer prefers.

Cornell expects to build a boathouse on the Groton side of the Thames river just below Gale's Ferry. They propose to arrange annual contests on the Thames, and are talking of erecting permanent quarters for the crew. The site selected is about half way between the Yale and Harvard quarters.

Presentation of badges and other fraternity insignia is becoming popular if one may judge from the fact that at the Bloomington Convention of $\Phi \Delta \theta$, three pins were presented to as many different brethren, and later two gold-headed canes were given to the leading spirits in the local committee of arrangements.

The Brunonian of Brown University has offered the following prizes: Ten dollars for the best original story contributed on or before January 6, 1890; \$10 for the greatest number of original verse contributions published between this date and April 1, 1890. All students, except the Brunonian Board, are entitled to contribute.

Through the liberality of Charles O. Beard, of Philadelphia, the following prizes, representing the income of \$6,000, will be given to those who excel in the oratorical exercises of the senior class at Princeton: The Baird prize of \$100 to the best speaker of those who have ranked among the first six writers in any two of the departments of English literature, rhetoric and oratory; a prize for oratory of \$50 to the best speaker exclusive of the Baird prize men; a prize for delivery of \$30 to the next best speaker; also a prize of \$50 for the best poem, and two prizes of \$40 and \$30, respectively, for the best and second best written disputations.—*Boston Herald.*

Dr. Ely, professor of political economy at Johns Hopkins, has given notice that the American Economic Association, of which he is secretary, has received \$500 to be awarded as prizes for the best essays on the subject of women wage earners. The first prize will be \$300 and the second \$200. The essays must not exceed 25,000 words each, and must be in the hands of the association previous to November 1, 1890. Any person is eligible to the competition. This series of prizes will probably be permanent. The next subject will be taxation, with a still larger premium. The first

competition was on the subject of immigration to the United States, and the prize was won by Richard Lang, of Baltimore. Prof. Ely is holding the \$100 contributed by Mrs. Amelia Rives-Chandler for the best essay on the subject of "Child Labor." This contest will close soon.

We have secured our share of the college honors; possessing one of the chief positions on the college journal, and also holding prominent offices in the classes and literary societies. We have three rival fraternities here: Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Phi Kappa Psi. They are all strongly represented.—*Simpson Cor. Rainbow of Δ T Δ.*

The above reference to our late Iowa Δ will be in the nature of news to Brother Clayton, if not to the members of the fraternity.

There is a secret society among the young men, Phi Kappa Psi, which is in a flourishing condition, and the one lately formed by the young ladies, Pi Beta Phi, commences upon a high standard, under very favorable auspices, and bids fair to be an organization of high character.—*Prof. Fristoe of Columbian University.*

How now, brothers of D. C. A.! Where are your chapter letters describing your doings to your brothers of other colleges?

Phi Delta Theta is to have a new ritual, but not until a thorough test of its practicability has been made. The new instrument was presented first to last year's convention, and after discussion was referred back to the committee for revision. It was this year presented to the Bloomington Convention, and by that body its adoption was again deferred, though adopted on trial, chapters being permitted to use it during the coming year, a sort of Methodist probation being given it. "If it attains for us all that is now anticipated from it, the Atlanta Convention will make it unqualifiedly a part of the organic work of the fraternity," says the December *Scroll*.

The other fraternities, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi and Delta Tau Delta, have formed a combine to try and "run things," exemplifying the fable of the old man and the bundle of sticks. But for all their united strength, we continue to prosper more than ever. Their first exhibition of "sourgrapes" was when they put a set of resolutions in the morning paper, denouncing our pledging "preps" and declaring their policy directly against it, although but two years ago Phi Kappa Psi was loudly proclaiming itself to be the only college fraternity in Allegheny by not initiating "preps," but she had to lower her high standard to secure men. But this move has militated directly against them in the eyes of the college.—*Allegheny Cor. Φ Δ Θ Scroll.*

Probably no general fraternity in existence is so little known outside of its own colleges as Phi Kappa Sigma, although founded in 1850 at the University of Pennsylvania. It would be hard for any outsider to name its list of chapters and know that he had it complete. It has chapters at Pennsylvania, Washington and Jefferson, Franklin and Marshall, Virginia, North Carolina, Randolph-Macon and Richmond. This list may omit some that are active on its roll. It has relatively more inactive chapters than any other general fraternity. It has never published a paper and hence is little known. The parent chapter is the most influential one on its roll and has sent out some prominent men in its career.—*Φ Δ Θ Scroll.*

As to what disposition was made of the *Scroll*, this number to a great extent explains. The constitution no longer prescribes how often it is to be published, but that is left to the decision of National Conventions. The Bloomington Convention decided that it should issue as a bi-monthly from October to June inclusive, making five numbers to a volume. The editor is given a salary and an accessory income, dependent upon the success of certain departments of the magazine. The editorial and business management devolves upon one person alone, the editor. He is responsible to the General Council for its entire management. The Board of Publication has been abolished, and instead, the General Council acts as Advisory Board. This is as it should be. The closest relationship and an identical policy should exist between the *Scroll* and General Council.—*Φ Δ Θ Scroll.*

Now, while we are speaking of addresses and the directory, there is a point to which we call the attention of all our chapters, with the sincere hope that the suggestion or rather request now made, may meet with the universal approval and consequent action. This is—that every chapter have a permanent postoffice box or address, so that no matter how or when reporters change, mail addressed to the chapter will reach it safely. The inadequacy of the present plan forces itself most unpleasantly upon all at the opening of each college year. Likely the great majority of the reporters each year are members of the senior class at their respective colleges. Commencement comes and the reporters go; when the fall session begins, mail addressed in care of them is forwarded to some address left at the office, likely never to be returned to the chapter, or remains unclaimed in the office.

This could all be remedied by a permanent address for the chapter. In cities where local delivery is made, it will be no hard task for the chapter to get a house number at which chapter mail being delivered, will be easily accessible to the chapter. In other cities or towns, let a P. O. box be rented in the chapter's name and not in that of the reporter, though that member may be entitled to special use of the box.—*Φ Δ Θ Scroll.*

Miscellany.

CHARLES HARGROVE HARVEY.

Virginia Beta has been visited by death. We are saddened to announce this month the death of our last year brother, Charles Hargrove Harvey, which occurred at Richmond, Va., Sunday, December 8, 1889. Brother Harvey was one of our best-beloved members, and we had hoped that he might return to Washington and Lee and to our fraternal greeting yet this session. Death interposed, and now our hopes are blotted out forever.

Brother Harvey was but seventeen. He came to Washington and Lee for the '88-'89 session not long after recovery from a severe spell of sickness. We numbered him among the members of our happy flock soon after his arrival in Lexington, and from that moment our love for and interest in him never ceased. Though apparently healthful, he was by nature of frail constitution. Until Christmas of '88 he was in more than usual physical strength. After that time he was compelled to abandon some branches of his course of study on account of failing health, and ere the pleasures of June's commencement came, he was taken to his Richmond home and to the sick-bed.

We had hoped that he might soon recover. Indications for the better strengthened our hopes at periods. When July came his solicitous, loving parents, by the advice of the attendant physician, took him to Atlantic City, N. J., hoping for some virtue in the sea coast as a health-giving retreat. A slow fever lingered with him until the return to Richmond, in September, and he had much declined since leaving. December 8th came the close.

In personal appearance our deceased brother was at least handsome and attractive. About six feet in stature, well proportioned body, his shapely form was surmounted by a large, well-developed head. His entire presence was pleasing. Our Creator had endowed him with superior talents. Though yet so young, he was widely versed in English, French, and American literature. With history, art, and science he had a remarkable acquaintance for one so young. He possessed the imaginative powers of a poet, and his mind was stored with beautiful thoughts and quotations from Shakespeare, Burns, Milton, Hugo, Longfellow, and Poe. His pen had produced many beautiful passages, and not a few pieces of excellent literary merit. His tongue was eloquent. His merits as a speaker were recognized and praised by many schoolmates. And there was one calling that nature had endowed him abundantly for had all others failed. He was by nature an actor. His dramatic force is seldom surpassed by many who rehearse Othello, or Hamlet, or King Lear as a profession.

In addition to those talents with which God had graciously endowed him for worldly achievements, and above them all, was a charitable heart. In charity he was constant, fixed. There was one among our number to whom the humblest student in college could go and be sure of receiving a kind word, a helpful thought in return. But those charitable lips are closed forever! Our brother, friend, companion is no more! "Pulseless is that splendid form. At rest the turbulent emotions. Stilled the mighty heart." If God ever gave one of his children a pure heart, a dauntless spirit, a soul afire with hopeful enthusiasm, surely here it was. If God ever reared one flushed with talents, hopes, and aspirations, whose prospects glittered like the crystal surface of the sea, and then cut that one down that He might show forth His power, surely this was he. If God ever permits his creatures to bloom, blush, and die away, only that a few may be quickly profited and not the whole world, surely this was such a design.

Can we do better than quote those most encouraging lines of the poet:

There is no death! The stars go down
To rise upon some fairer shore;
And bright in heaven's jewelled crown
They shine forevermore.

There is no death! The leaves may fall,
And flowers may fade and pass away;
They only wait through wintry hours
The coming of the May.

And ever near us, though unseen,
The dead, immortal spirits tread;
For all the boundless universe
Is life — there are no dead.

The following resolution was reported and adopted by Virginia Beta in honor of our deceased brother:

CHARLES HARGROVE HARVEY.

It has been the dispensation of Providence to again enter the fold of Phi Kappa Psi, and remove from us our friend and younger brother, Charles H. Harvey.

While recognizing God's inscrutable dealings in thus removing from our midst one whom we so loved, and rendering submission to His will, we desire, as a testimonial of our deep regret at the loss of one whose memory is sacredly cherished by us, and whose sincerity always won for him the esteem and friendship of those with whom he associated, to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family and friends of our departed brother.

Possessing, as he did, a fine mind, talented by nature and cultivated by study, he gave promise of rising to prominence and usefulness. To those who knew him the news of his death will be a true sorrow, and in behalf of Virginia Beta we extend to his friends and immediate family our deepest sympathy. But we mourn him not as those who have no hope, but as one who has crossed the river before us. Our thoughts of him shall ever be fragrant with sweet memories of the happy days spent together at college.

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“HOW TO MAKE THE ANNUAL CIRCULAR LETTER INTERESTING TO THE ALUMNI.”

In order to aid in sustaining the relationship between alumni and under-graduate members of $\Phi K \Psi$, the annual circular letter was born of necessity, cradled in the arms of the Indianapolis Grand Arch Council, afterwards drew its sustenance from the Chapters and was placed upon “a foundation of adamantine rock” by the hearty reception given it by those who “sporting” the “Shield” and wore the “pink and lavender” with as much loyalty as we now do.

The relationship between the alumni and the chapters may seem to be enshrouded in darkness, but if one brushes away the “cobwebs” of doubt, he can discern a true cause for its existence. This relationship may also seem somewhat vague and indefinite, but it is no more difficult to establish than the recognized position of a merchant in the commercial world. The heavy cares of routine business and political life tend to draw the mind and thoughts of the alumnus away from the charming magnetism of the Greek world. Here let an old and honored alumnus of $\Phi K \Psi$ speak: “We should always remember that the alumni generally are on scenes remote from college life. Many an alumnus has a very tender spot in his heart for old $\Phi K \Psi$, but the cares and responsibilities of business are now his. New duties, new friends, and new habits have come to him since he left college, and, therefore, do not expect too much from him. I sometimes forget to acknowledge receipt of your circular. If one of your active members were to come into my office when I happen to be engaged in business, I might not greet him as heartily as I would have done twenty years ago; but still, one of the happiest memories of my college days—yea, I might say of my whole life—is the recollection of $\Phi K \Psi$, from 1866 to 1869.”

Brothers, your alumnus may at times lose entire track of his chapter, but there certainly are times when his mind naturally reverts to his college career—'tis only then that a Greek can feel as he feels, when before him appears the faces of old friends, brothers who lived with him under the gentle, guiding influence of fraternity life: whose every heart-throb beat in unison and harmony with his. We, too, can easily picture what an electric thrill is sent through his whole being when the word "fraternity" looms up before him, and under it are written the Greek letters of his fraternity, across an emblazoned sky.

If, then, there is a season when our alumni are wont to forget their fraternity, the question that naturally would be at issue is how to remedy the matter. If we, as $\Phi \Psi s$, want our alumni to be brought into closer communion and communication with active chapter life, we must rigidly enforce that section 5 (Art. IV) of our new constitution, relative to the writing and mailing of an annual circular letter to the alumni by the ΣT .

In order that the ΣT s may best perform their duties I herewith present a collection of points with reference to the writing, printing, and mailing of a circular letter, the preparation of which has been given much thought and attention, since the issuing of the letter was required. Of course, we must realize that it will be impossible to interest all alumni in the chapter, and particularly interest them in the annual letter. We can, however, interest those who have a genuine desire for the success of the chapter whose membership has afforded them so many pleasant, helpful associations.

My first point, then, is, crowd the letter with information. Let it be a *resumé* of the chapter's work for the year. Do not fill it full of braggadocio. Above all, do not "puff" your chapter up to the skies. State facts—plain, cold, and telling facts. These are what the every-day business man delights to read. What can delight an alumnus of a college fraternity more than to know that his chapter is strong in the manliness of men—both as scholars, athletes, and members of society? Let there, too, be news of every action in the chapter and its members, in which the alumnus would desire to participate and enjoy, were he still with $\Phi K \Psi$, in active relation. The alumnus should be made to feel that he knows the "boys," and that he can be proud of them from knowledge of their relations in college.

In communicating with your alumni, deal with them lovingly, and bear with them patiently. Remember that our brethren are busy men; they are not indifferent, but simply preoccupied. Let there also be a strong and tender invitation to the annual symposium, if your chapter

gives such a banquet. There should be maintained throughout the circular letter the recognized fact that the alumnus is interested in his *Alma Mater* and his chapter. Briefly show that the past interest of the chapter is maintained, and improvement of a good chapter home is kept up. Let the plans, changes, *personnel*, and policy of the future be made known, and no harm will be done if the alumnus is shown where he can aid in the good work projected. Now, by this is not meant a continual "ding-donging" and drumming for financial aid in the improvement of the chapter hall or the building of a chapter house. Above all, refrain from soliciting pecuniary support in your circular letter. If you must do it, then let it be done by personal solicitation. If there is anything that will cause a man to grow indifferent toward his chapter, it is the constant receiving of "help us, oh, do help us to build a chapter house" letter.

Let there also be shown in the letter the relative strength of the fraternities in college, the numbers of pins in the chapter.

There should also be a strong appeal to aid the SHIELD. I think the man who reads the SHIELD won't need to be interested by the chapter's annual letter, for surely the monthly communications of his chapter ought to keep his interest alive and his eyes eager to catch every word from his chapter, and to him the most information concerning the chapter in all possible relations, and from all points of view is most pleasing in the annual circular letter.

This brings me now to its typographical contents. Do not set up an elaborate concern, more for the sake of show than for practical value. True, typographical appearance tends considerable towards attracting the eye to the subject at hand. Plain, neat printing will go farther than highly colored matter. Let the printing, however, be attractive, not gaudy. Attractive printing is much more effective and of greater value than mere common-place work. While I am on the point of typography, I desire to call the attention of all $\Phi \Psi$ s, and $\Sigma \Gamma$ s especially, to the fact that any communication prepared so as to present the appearance of a letter, will be much more eagerly read than one set up in the solid form of cold, black type. When Pa. Γ came to issue her second annual letter, some fertile brain conceived of the idea of having it set up in type-written form. The suggestion was immediately taken up and the contract awarded to a local printer. Unfortunately the facilities of the office were meagre, possessing only one seven dollar font of type-writer type. Much to our chagrin, we were compelled to fall back to brevier, in which form our chapter letter appears. Script type of the latest pattern, in its way, I think, is preferable to either brevier or long primer.

Pa. E and Pa. H deserves especial mention for the neatness and dis-

patch of their respective circular letters. But of those that I have seen from the First District, Bro. Cattern's Pa. *B* comes nearest the idea the committee had in mind when the constitution was reframed at Indianapolis.

Another matter that presents itself is what form may the letter take. First and above all it should take the form of a letter communication, set up, if possible, in type-written form. Another very convenient and attractive form is that of the *Grip*, issued annually by Ohio *A*. In this little sheet are reviewed all the important $\Phi \Psi$ events for the year, especial note being made of changes of address, profession, and death of alumni. In case of death a brief eulogy is given.

In addition to the circular letter I am of the opinion that it would pay every chapter of $\Phi K \Psi$ to issue annually a small catalogue, containing the names, business, addresses, deaths, marriages, etc., of alumni of the chapter issuing the catalogue. Pa. *F* has a committee at work on such a catalogue, which will be sent out with her third annual circular letter next fall.

The proper time for sending out this circular letter would be, I think, just before the expiration of the ΣI 's term of office. The retiring official can then look over the records of the year just past, he, of course, having noted all the important events in the chapter's annual history, and will be enabled to give an accurate recapitulation of the year's work.

W. C. GRETZINGER.



The Areopagus.

THE COMING GRAND ARCH COUNCIL.

The committees having in charge the arrangements for the coming Grand Arch Council, to be held at Chicago April 2, 3, and 4, 1890, are hard at work on their preparations. The committees are as follows:

REDUCED RAILROAD RATES.—George Baker, Ind. Alpha; Frank Burton, Ind. Beta; and Wm. A. Paulsen, Wis. Beta.

FINANCE.—Robins S. Mott and Thomas R. Weddell, Ill. Beta; George A. Bass, Ill. Alpha; G. Fred Rust, Mich. Alpha; and Louis W. Crow, Wis. Gamma.

ARRANGEMENTS.—Jacob R. Custer, Pa. Eta; Lincoln M. Coy, Ill. Beta; Joseph Halsted, Mich. Alpha; J. L. Alabaster, Ill. Alpha; and Will Robinson, N. Y. Alpha.

BANQUET.—Festus Cole and Walter S. Holden, Mich. Alpha; and Clarence E. Piper, Ill. Alpha.

TICKETS.—George Dixon, Stewart Maltman, and George Springer, Ill. Alpha.

All the committees are instructed to report at the annual meeting of the Chicago Alumni Association, which is to be held upon the evening of February 7.

No pains will be spared on the part of the committees to make the gathering a successful one, and to make it an enjoyable event to all who can be present.

It is highly important for those having in charge the arrangements for the council that each chapter choose its delegates at as early a date as possible, and to send early notification of number of members it can have present, and also to notify the secretary of the Chicago Alumni Association of the names and addresses of all alumni of the fraternity resident in Illinois or adjoining states, to whom it is desired that invitations and other notices of the Grand Arch Council should be sent.

Great aid will be rendered if secretaries of chapters will act promptly upon all correspondence.

It is to be hoped that the fraternity will be furnished very full information concerning the Grand Arch Council in the next number of THE SHIELD.

LINCOLN M. COY.

CHICAGO, January 11, 1890.

OUR METHOD OF GRANTING CHARTERS.

Brother Wilson's timely and thoughtful article in the October SHIELD has forced on the writer a realization of the fact that our fraternity is at present somewhat handicapped by its *modus operandi* in the matter of extension. To me the article was suggestive of the existence of the disease rather than of the remedy to be applied.

Our present system is an excellent one; I think it is the best ever proposed. It needs, however, some improving. Under our new government, and our new conservative stand, $\Phi K \Psi$ has made a great forward stride in the past few years. Let the pessimistically inclined brother or discouraged one look back at our record and rejoice. In 1885 (when the writer was initiated), we had thirty-six chapters; we now have thirty-four. We have gained three good chapters at Madison, Minn., State Union, and Swarthmore, and have gotten rid of Monmouth, Carleton, and Simpson. To be sure, we lost our chapter at Chicago, but it was through no fault of ours. We have also lost our chapter at Pa. State Univ., but only temporarily. Is not this a grand showing—a strong endorsement of our government and policy?

In the light of these facts, we trust the unit system may forever be preserved. It is our foundation rock. The plan to allow the executive council "full control in the granting of charters" is, in the writer's humble opinion, dangerous and pernicious in the extreme. It is against the time-honored principles of our order to intrust such great power to a committee composed of seven men, residing at great distances from one another, and meeting but once a year. We fear it would result in a one-man power. No man is so all-wise, so infallible, that he is to be given the power of stretching at will our family circle. One of the lesser evils of such a system would be the complaints and general dissatisfaction at every move of the executive council. Some one would object at the granting of each new charter. The grumbling would increase, and might ultimately threaten our very existence. Let the chapters serve themselves in this matter. Then, if a mistake is made, they have but themselves to blame. I agree with Bro. Wilson, however, to this extent: The executive council should be given the negative power of rejecting petitions. This would result in a saving of time and expense, and would

allow the executive council and Archons to devote themselves to more favorable localities.

The plan of granting charters by a two-thirds vote of the chapters is even worse than the other. To the writer's mind, it would mean just one thing, *i. e.*, that nearly every petition would be granted, and in two years we would be a fraternity of fifty chapters.

The difficulty of our present method is summed up in these words: "We can not agree where to extend. Some cry, 'Strike for New England;' others will vote against any move in that direction. Some say, 'The South is our field;' others fear to try experiments there."

Does not our real difficulty lie in attempting to agree upon any GENERAL policy of extension? A general and specific plan of campaign need not be agreed upon as suggested by Bro. Wilson. I think if we have several *specific* lines of action, a *general* line of action must naturally result. It need not be agreed upon—it need not be debated—it will take care of itself.

We have now probed to the bottom of the difficulty. The question is, how shall the chapters all have one and the same plan instead of different plans and cross-purposes? Does not our fault lie in the lack of intercourse, lack of discussion, lack of consultation among the chapters and officers? Is it not this that brings about the confusion? Is it not a greivous fault (but happily not an irremediable one) that while the executive council and the Archons are laboring for a whole year to establish a chapter at a certain institution, the chapters never learn of it until a petition is thrust into their hands with the request to send in their vote within two weeks? Should not each member of every chapter know exactly upon what institutions the four archons are at present at work? Might they not offer valuable suggestions to aid the archons in their work?

We waste our breath and ink when we urge *Eastern, Southern, or Western* extension. Those words ought never to be used. We can never come to an agreement. But it seems to me it will be easy by the following proposed method to unify opinion as to the advisability of entering or not entering—say, Dartmouth and Willams, Tulane and Vanderbilt, California and Nebraska State Universities, etc.

Many of us, if asked the bold, broad question, "Are you in favor of fraternity extension?" reply, "On general principles, no." Why? "Because, we believe a small fraternity is more easily managed, and is more unified." The leading fraternities in the country are small. Three out of four of the large fraternities are poor. As soon as a fraternity begins to grant a number of new charters, it is spoken of as deteriorating.

It is absolutely essential that a fraternity be conservative. Our ideal fraternity is one with chapters at only the leading colleges of the country. To wear the badge of such a fraternity would be a mark of distinguished honor. We believe that brotherly love and devotion to the order would here reach the very highest point.

If asked, however, whether we favor the establishment of a chapter at blank college, we respond decidedly in the affirmative. Are we inconsistent? No. We venture to say that one-half of the chapters are on general principles opposed to extension, and yet there was unanimity when the petitions of Madison, Minn. State, and Swarthmore were presented. The question at issue should never be, "Are you for extension?" It should always be, "Shall we enter blank institution?"

Now for the remedy. Shall we discuss these matters in our chapter letters to *THE SHIELD*? Is it becoming to the dignity of our journal or the fraternity to discuss our family affairs before the eyes of the Greek world? No, it is undignified and exceedingly impolitic from a partisan standpoint. It isn't wise to have our opponents (or, to speak more properly, our rivals) know of our contemplated moves.

Let there be published, then, say once in every two months, by the executive council or the editor of *THE SHIELD*, a strictly private pamphlet of four pages, for the use of the officers and the chapters—one copy for each chapter will be enough; probably fifty copies in all would suffice. The expense of printing, sending, etc., would be covered, we think, by a tax of from five to seven dollars a year per chapter. Let this pamphlet contain letters from the brothers in regard to the different colleges in the country, and the openings for new chapters; extracts from letters of petitioners, views of officers, etc.,—in short, every list of information that will enable the chapters to vote intelligently on petitions. If this plan is followed, a petition can never again be a surprise to a chapter, as it now is.

The coming Grand Arch Council cannot devote its time to better advantage than by considering this proposition. In the meantime, let there be discussion in the chapter letters. No great harm can be done by such a discussion for a few months. The good will overbalance the harm.

WALTER S. HOLDEN.

CINCINNATI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

The first anniversary of the Cincinnati Alumni Association was celebrated the last of December. It was an occasion long to be remembered by all.

Saturday evening, December 28, a number of gentlemen and ladies

met at the home of Brother E. A. Daumont, on Walnut Hills, and passed the evening in a very pleasant manner. The Phi Kappa Psi waltzes, played by Miss Burnham, were one of the especially delightful features of the evening. These waltzes, dedicated to the fraternity of the United States by the Cincinnati Alumni Association, were again produced Sunday afternoon by the Cincinnati Orchestra. This was their first public presentation, and they were received with hearty approval by the audience.

Sunday evening, December 29, at the Walnut Hills Congregational Church, Brother J. W. Simpson, D. D., pastor, was held a unique and most interesting service in the interests of the Greek world. The exercises were interspersed with choice music by the choir of the church. Brother C. E. Hills read the Scriptures and made the opening prayer. Brother Simpson gave a brief statement of the object and purposes of the meeting, and extending a hearty welcome to all. He paid a pleasing tribute to the good influences of college fraternity life, and especially that of his own chapter, Ohio *I*.

Brother J. M. DeCamp made a most scholarly and eloquent address upon "The Influence of Christian Culture Upon Individual Character." Brother DeCamp proved himself a worthy representative of the Christian layman.

Rev. D. H. Moore, D. D., editor of *The Western Christian Advocate*, and a prominent alumnus of Beta Theta Pi, spoke as the representative of kindred Greek societies represented in this city. His subject, "What Christianity Has Done for Culture," was handled as only the ready speaker and accomplished scholar can do.

Owing to the absence of the next speaker of the evening, the subject, "What Culture Has Done for Christianity," was presented by Brother Simpson, who is recognized as one of the brightest of Cincinnati divines. His address of this evening was especially pleasing and instructive. Upon the platform with the speakers was Judge C. P. T. Moore, of West Virginia, one of the founders of our fraternity.

Monday noon a reception was given to Judge Moore and his wife, and other visitors, at the parlors of The John Church Company.

The event of events, however, was the annual banquet at the Hotel Emery on Monday evening, December 30. Owing to the prevailing sickness, the attendance was not so large as expected, and not equal to the acceptances received; but, a goodly company of brothers and their ladies were present. At 8:30 the line of march for the dining-room was formed. After a fraternity song, Brother E. E. Baker delivered the invocation.

Simlax, flowers, etc., ornamented the tables, which were arranged in a hollow square. The banquet was served with the thoroughness and skill for which mine host Shears is famous. During the evening a choice musical programme was rendered by the Orpheus Double Quartet, assisted by Mrs. A. J. Boex and Mr. G. W. Schuler as soloists, Prof. A. J. Boex presiding at the piano. This was indeed one of the delights of the evening. The "feast of reason and the flow of soul" followed in its usual and appropriate order, Brother E. A. Daumont presiding.

Brother J. M. DeCamp made the address of welcome, which was pronounced by all to be one of the best of his fine efforts. His apostrophe to his old fraternity badge was especially fine and touching.

At the request of Brothers Simpson, Buchwalter, and Bettinger, whose names appeared on the programme, and owing to the hour, the programme was changed and carried out as follows: Rev. Robert Lowry, D. D., president of the fraternity. Brother Lowry was especially happy in his address, and had the rapt attention of all. He closed by presenting to Judge Moore, in the name of the Alumni Association, a handsome fraternity badge set in diamonds. Judge Moore was much overcome, but responded in terms which touched the hearts of all.

After Judge Moore's response, Bishop J. M. Walden, D. D., was called upon, and responded in fitting words; he spoke most pleasantly of Brother Thompson, of Buenos Ayres, whom he had met on his late trip to South America. It was a great pleasure to greet Brother Walden and welcome him after that trip.

Brother T. H. B. Patterson, of Pittsburg, and representing the Pittsburg Alumni Association, brought us the greetings of the brothers there. His response demonstrated that if he be a representative, the Pittsburg Association will be a worthy rival indeed of any and all the other associations. We must look to our laurels, brothers.

Among those present were Brothers Rev. Robert Lowry, D. D., Plainfield, N. J.; Judge C. P. T. Moore, Elwell, W. Va.; T. H. B. Patterson, Pittsburg; R. H. Bishop, Covington; Judge M. L. Buchwalter, Bishop J. M. Walden, D. D., J. M. DeCamp, L. C. Black, Rev. J. W. Simpson, D. D., Albert Bettinger, of Cincinnati; Rev. E. E. Baker, Dayton, O.; Rev. C. E. Hills, Troy, O.; Dr. E. W. Mitchell, Avondale, O.; Wm. G. Frizzell, Dayton, O.; Albert Davis, Liberty, Ind.; Prescott Smith, Edward Gurney, Prof. W. N. Mumper, Prof. J. H. Laycock, Dr. L. S. Colter, Dr. W. L. Mussey, of Cincinnati; Fred. G. Gotwald, Springfield, O.; F. W. Roudebush, Batavia, O.; Prof. E. M. Van Cleve, South Charleston, O.; Prof. C. L. Van Cleve, Troy, O.; G. E. Randall, Waynesville, O.; W. S. Small, Chattanooga, Tenn.;

J. B. Foraker, Jr., L. F. Kiesewetter, Gus. T. Peters, of Columbus, O.; Will G. Neff, Greencastle, Ind.; Dr. G. F. Whitney, E. A. Daumont, W. H. Axtell, Wade MacMillan, Frank Morris, Chas. E. Everett, of Cincinnati. Mrs. C. P. T. Moore, Mrs. M. L. Buchwalter, Mrs. J. M. Walden, Mrs. J. M. DeCamp, Mrs. J. W. Simpson, Mrs. Albert Bettinger, Mrs. E. A. Daumont, Mrs. H. Daumont, Indianapolis; Mrs. E. W. Mitchell, Mrs. G. F. Whitney, Mrs. L. D. Colter, Miss Bell Burnham, Miss Clara Sullivan, Miss Mamie Fisher, Greencastle, Ind.; Miss Alice Winwood, Springfield, O.; Miss Martha Van Cleve, Miss Alice M. Kiefer.

The thanks of the association are especially due to Dr. D. H. Moore, Brother J. W. Simpson, and the trustees and choir of the Walnut Hills Congregational Church for the success of the Sunday evening service.

Brother Daumont is known far and near for his energy and push. He has been most loyally and ably assisted upon this occasion by Vice-President J. M. DeCamp, and the special committee, Brothers Bettinger, Bishop, and Mitchell, whose labors and hearty co-operation rendered the programme possible.

It was a cause of regret to all that Governor J. B. Foraker was detained by official duties.

Many brothers were prevented from attending on account of sickness or ill health. Among these were Waller Overton, G. W. Burns, and Thomas L. Lee.

Brothers C. W. Cole, Park Kemper, Willis Kendig, and D. T. McDougal, Greencastle, Ind., were unable to attend all the exercises, but were out at one or more of the meetings.

The regular quarterly reception will be held the last of March.

Judge Moore had with him his old monogram pin, used before the shield was adopted, and consisting of the letters $\Phi \Psi$ in gold. It was a novelty to many.

Mrs. Daumont prepared the handsome celluloid souvenirs.

Rev. Francis E. Schroeder, of Lancaster, Pa., called upon a number of the brothers. He was not able to be at the banquet.

CHAS. E. EVERETT.

Editorial.

Some chapters correspondents find it difficult to recall the date when we must receive their letters. It is the 15th of each month.

The communications of the editor to the chapters seem to have fallen like snow flakes into the bosom of the sea, judging from the responses or rather the lack of them.

We were inexpressibly shocked at the news that Bro. George D. Gotwald had died January 12, 1890, in Kansas City, of pneumonia, at the age of 27. $\phi K \psi$ has lost in him one who devoted more time, means and ability to her service than any other of her loyal sons of equal age, and to-day we can mourn as a fraternity in deep affliction his untimely death.

It seems to us that Brother Gotwald represented in his genial make-up the ideal $\phi \psi$, and in his consistent, Christian life, he embodied all the lofty principles which our loved order teaches.

Our dear friend is gone, and we mourn, but we fondly believe:

“The fragrance of a pure and noble life,
 The sweetness of a firm and faithful heart,
 The whiteness of a strong and loving soul,
 Untouched by death, survive the weary strife,
 And leave our friend unchanged in any part—
 Ours now, and ours while ceaseless ages roll.”

The hurrying weeks as they roll by leave us but a brief interval until the meeting of the G. A. C. The Chicago boys are preparing for a great gathering, and we ought to further their efforts in every way. Every appeal they make for assistance ought to be heeded and responded to at once. It is possible to make the coming meeting memorable as the largest gathering ϕ κ ψ has ever had. Chicago is accessible from every quarter, and is nearly if not quite in the center of a large ϕ ψ population. It is possible for every chapter to be represented by at least one delegate, and quite a number of chapters can easily send from six to ten men each. We know of one chapter, situated three hundred miles away, which has already arranged for six of its members to be in attendance.

Why can not the chapters work up an attendance among the old boys? There are many of the alumni, who, if the matter was brought clearly to their attention, would so arrange their business as to attend. We can have an attendance of two hundred and fifty with but little exertion on our part.

It is strange that despite the constant discussion of topics in the pages of *THE SHIELD*, and occasional editorial exhortations, that at each recurring G. A. C. there come delegates who are wofully ignorant of the constitution which governs them, and we might not be far amiss if we were to extend the criticism to entire chapters.

Ample time remains between now and April to become thoroughly conversant with all matters of ϕ κ ψ policy, and discussions in chapter meetings might be profitably carried on for several weeks preparatory to the Council in order that when a delegate arises in session to declare himself, he may know of a certainty that he voices the

sentiment of his chapter, and that that same sentiment is founded in reason, seasoned by frequent home discussions.

There are several questions which might profitably engage the attention of the chapters and which it is not now proper for the editor to discuss. If our readers could run over the pages of our contemporaries they would be inclined to believe that $\phi \kappa \psi$ was all torn up over whether THE SHIELD should continue as a monthly, or whether it was a fraternity magazine at all, or not.

But without consulting the journals of our fellow-Greeks, we presume members of the various chapters can find entertainment and profit in topics of their own choosing.

Notice is officially given that J. H. Perim has been honorably dismissed from Indiana Gamma Chapter, and brothers everywhere are cautioned to hold no further communication with him on fraternity matters.



Chapter Letters.

ALLEGHANY.

The winter term began January 2, at Alleghany, and, as usual, the number of new students is small. The $\Phi \Psi$ s are all back, with the exception of a few, and these intend to start in later in the term.

At a special meeting of the board of trustees, held lately, Dr. D. H. Wheeler was elected president. He has been acting as president since Dr. Williams resigned, and his election meets with the hearty approval of all interested in the welfare of the college. He has been connected with the college for the last nine years, and during the most of the time he has been acting as president, so that he knows by experience how to govern the institution.

Brother Walter Bates will not be in college this term. He is preparing for the examination for admittance to West Point.

The article entitled "Recollections by an Old Boy," was very interesting, and I voice the sentiments of our chapter when I say they were thoroughly enjoyed. The devotion of Thomas Campbell to our fraternity was one of the deepest kind, and is well worth emulating. We are sorry the article was not longer, and any more of the same kind will be quite welcome reading.

It is with deep feelings of regret and sadness that we chronicle the misfortune of one of our brothers. Since our last letter it has been the misfortune of one of our brothers to lose his mother. In his bereavement Brother Daniels has our heartfelt sympathy, which he surely needs after the loss of such a dear friend.

It seems that misfortune never comes singly, for it has been but little over a month since another $\Phi \Psi$ has gone to that resting place where many have gone before. Brother Edward T. Bates died at his home in Meadville October 20. He graduated at Alleghany in 1880, and since that time has been connected with a music store here in Meadville. He enjoyed the confidence and respect of all who knew him. Living here in town, almost the next door to our chapter house, he has shown us the help that a home alumnus can be to a chapter. It will be a long while before time will have effaced him from the memory of Pennsylvania Beta.

J. F. CATTERN.

Meadville, Pa., January 13, 1890.

SWARTHMORE.

As a New Year's greeting to her sisters, Kappa is proud to present the name of her latest acquisition, Ellis Pusey Passmore, '93, of Rising Sun, Maryland, and we shall be prouder still to show his manly face when opportunity offers. Let it suffice to say on his behalf, that although a freshman, he is one of the most valuable members of a good chapter.

With the initiation of Brother Passmore our number is increased to a round dozen, and although the roll might easily, and perhaps profitably, be increased by half as many more, it is not probable that such will be the case. The position of the chapter in college and the general respect in which it is held by the college community, encourages us to be extremely careful as to prejudicing our standard in the least by any member whose character or desirability might possibly be questioned. This careful, but by no means ultra-conservatism, has given our chapter a very enviable place among Swarthmore's best institutions, and it will be maintained as long as the present situation remains.

Our first anniversary, to which we have so long been looking forward, has come and gone, and the chapter has begun her second year in a condition and with prospects that her founders scarcely dared hope for. Our banquet and reunion on the evening of the 11th inst., in honor of receipt of our charter was a red-letter day in the history of the chapter. It was the first time that Pennsylvania Kappa had called back her sons to renew the old bonds of fraternity spirit, and as such it was eminently successful, although we can justly say that our alumni do not need any brushing up on fraternity matters. The reunion took place in the banquet hall of the Hotel Bellevue, the very best place of the kind in the city of Philadelphia, and the affair was conducted in the style characteristic of that hostelrie. The menu was as follows:

BLUE POINTS.
 PRINTANIERE À LA ROYALE.
 COQUILLES À LA TURQUE.
 COTELETTES DE VOLAILLE À LA CREME.
 FILET DE BŒUF PIQUÉ, AUX CHAMPIGNONS.
 HARICOT VERTS. POMMES À LA BRABANT.
 SORBET DE MENTHE
 CAILLES FARCIES AUX MARRONS.
 SALADE DE LAITUE.
 GLACES VARIÉES.
 GATEAUX ASSORTIS.
 FRUITS. \ CAFÉ.

After this most interesting matter had been pretty well settled, the toasts and speech-making were taken up, Bro. M. L. Clothier, '90, acted as symposiarch, and the following toasts were responded to:

"The Fraternity".....Bro. H. A. Dubbs, Pa. H.
 "Kappa's New Year".....Bro. H. M. Watts, Pa. Theta.
 "The Founding of Kappa"....Bro. Grant Dibert, Pittsburgh Alumni Association.
 "Phi Psis on the Athletic Field".....Bro. William E. Sweet, '90.
 "Phi Psis in Active Life".....Bro. Fred. B. Pyle, '89.
 "Kappa's Progress".....Bro. A. M. Palmer, '91.
 "The Court House Bell".....Bro. W. C. Sproul, '91.
 "Goodenough's".....Bro. Charles B. Ketcham, '92.
 "Our Lambs".....Bro. E. P. Passmore, '93.

The speech-making was well interspersed with college songs and all hands seemed to enjoy the occasion. We had expected our honored president, Dr. Lowry, but he wrote that he would be compelled to cancel his engagement on account of "la grippe." This was of course a disappointment, but our Archon, Brother Dubbs, represented the "powers that be" so well that we forgot our disappointment. Brother Dubbs seemed well impressed with what he saw and heard, as we certainly were with him.

Brother H. M. Watts, Lafayette, '86, who is an occasional welcome visitor at the college, has earned the everlasting gratitude of the chapter by presenting a handsomely framed picture of the Cambridge-Scotland foot-ball game for the hall.

Reports from Pennsylvania Iota continue to be encouraging. Several new men have been pledged and a committee is in search of desirable rooms. There is now no reasonable doubt but that this chapter, with its splendid alumni and strong influence, will be restored to the fraternity. We congratulate all Phi Psi-
dom on this excellent prospect.

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

Swarthmore College, Pa., January 14, 1890.

HOBART COLLEGE.

The term of office of the present SHIELD correspondent is about to expire, and he feels that he should once more write a chapter letter. It has been impossible to attend to this duty sooner on account of examinations, but now the suspense is over and the holiday vacation has begun.

Since the date of my last letter, Brother Stevens, formerly of New York Beta, has been added to the chapter by transfer. He enters Hobart as a Scientific junior. Steve has already become popular among the fellows, and will be of great service to the chapter next year, inasmuch as he will be our only senior.

The *Hobart Herald* Constitution has again been amended, and now five literary and three business editors are elected by the student body in college meeting. Formerly the literary editors were elected by the factions in college, one representative by each faction. At the first election under the amended Constitution, Brothers German and White were elected to the Literary Board, and Brother German has since been elected chairman of the board.

By the time this letter reaches its destination, the editor will probably have received '91's *Echo*. I think he will agree with me that it is a credit to the class and the college. Brother Perkins, who is chairman of the Business Board and a member also of the Literary Board, deserves special praise. He has worked zealously and it is he who has made this *Echo* a success.

Last year the students raised, by a course of lectures, money enough to pay for baths in the college. These have lately been fitted up in the gymnasium. They will be of great advantage to us, and particularly to the athletes. Prof. Clark, of Trinity College, Toronto, who delivered one of the lectures last year, gave last week before the students a course of five lectures on Modern History.

At a debate of the senior class in Political Economy on Protection and Free Trade, Brothers Gatley and Kirtland were awarded prizes.

The brothers have recently received very pleasant calls from Brothers Fisher, of Ohio Alpha, and Schnauber, of New York Beta, class of '89.

A merry Christmas and happy New Year to the editor and all brothers in Phi Kappa Psi.

JOHN E. KIRTLAND, JR.

Geneva, New York, December 20, 1889.

MADISON UNIVERSITY.

The new year and the new term are begun. The boys are all back, and, except those sick with la grippe, are steadying down to work. The fact that next week is the middle week of the college year, reminds us all that time flies. Especially those who are nearing the goal so long wished for, yet now so dreaded, begin to realize that the cold, cold world is eagerly waiting to teach them its bitter lessons.

The new year has brought disaster and sorrow to Madison. After a few days' illness, on January 5, our president, Dr. Ebenezer Dodge, passed away. Monday, January 6, college opened, and as the boys came straggling back during the day, the effect of the blow could be marked on every face. It seemed hardly possible that our president, whom we had left but a short time since apparently in his usual health, had been snatched from us. Every one who knew him felt that he had lost a friend. Men have died mourned by greater numbers, but no one has ever been mourned more sincerely.

It is a hard blow to the university. Dr. Dodge was in every sense its head. It represents his life work. He died actively engaged in the duties of his office. All the advance the university has made in the last twenty-five years is in a great degree due to his efforts. As he grew older he often wished to lay down his burdens, but his friends persuaded him that it would not be best. Cheerfully, quietly, faithfully, he labored on until he was called to brighter fields and pleasanter tasks,

In his relations to the students of the college he was never severe. Very seldom did he lay down fixed rules. He trusted to the manhood of the students, and he was seldom disappointed. Advice fell from his lips with all weight of law. No one can ever take his place; but we trust and believe that another will be found who will continue the work so rudely stopped, and who will reap the rich harvest which our dead president has sown.

Dr. Andrews, dean of the faculty, has been appointed temporary president. Probably no choice of a permanent one will be made until June. Several good men are mentioned for the place, among them Dr. Edward Judson, of New York. No choice could be made that would be more pleasing to the students.

I want to add my word of appreciation and approbation to what has been already said in regard to *THE SHIELD*. The strongest proof of my appreciation I can offer is that I read *THE SHIELD* *through* as soon as I get it. And I will say to any who do not read it that they never will enjoy it and appreciate it

until they read it. Read it, imbibe its spirit, and it will do you good. It is the life-blood of the fraternity. On its healthy circulation depends the fraternity's vigor. Keep the life-blood pure and rich.

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, N. Y., January 14, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Virginia Alpha owes many apologies to the fraternity at large for having been silent so long, and now begs leave to be heard, promising not to be so negligent again.

The university opened on the 18th of October with the largest number of students she has had in the last twenty years. When the Phi Psis came together there was found only Brothers Greenway, Boyle, Woods, Jones, Blair and myself to fight against the sixteen other fraternities at this institution. Our first addition was Brother Osbourne, a transfer from Virginia Gamma. Our goats are W. E. Peters, University of Virginia, son of the Professor of Latin; W. M. Fletcher, Sperryville, Virginia; R. G. Reese, Staunton, Virginia; E. F. Hill, Chicago; John Wilson, Pittsburgh, Pa., M. A., Princeton.

Bro. Richard Heath Dabney has been appointed adjunct professor of Historical Science, and Bro. Collins Denny chaplain of the university.

Brothers Burrough, Mitchell, Carey and Lanier paid us a short visit when the Johns Hopkins foot ball team played here.

Brother Dashiell was here with the Lehigh University team. Lieutenant G. T. Smith, M. D., and Dr. Charles M. Blackford have both paid us short visits.

Best wishes to THE SHIELD and all Phi Psis.

J. R. STEVENS, JR.

University of Virginia, December 23, 1890.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

We promised a letter to THE SHIELD every month, and, though we have very little in reality to communicate at this time, "all heaven and (y)earth" couldn't keep us from sending that little—to borrow the words of Edward Eggleston in the "Hoosier Schoolmaster." "Merrily we roll along." Intermediate examinations are just over, and as our boys all did well there is the utmost happiness and satisfaction at entering upon the second half session and the new year at the same time.

Our Bro. C. R. Watson, in the academic department, came near leaving us at intermediate. He had expected to quietly drift into mercantile life in the capacity of a traveling salesman, but when he came to pack his trunk, extend the farewell grip to the Phi Psi boys, and say good-bye to the Lexington young ladies, it was too severe and lonesome a task. He got the sympathy of everybody, had all of his friends weeping, and then, late in the day, compromised by having his "pictures tooked," and settling down to hard work on the senior chemistry ticket.

Of course our new brother, E. T. Coman, of Illinois, is still a source of pleasure to us. He is up to our highest hopes and expectations. The Graham-Lee debaters' contest, in which he is to take part, comes off next Monday night, January 19. Of course contests are contests. They are often rightly and satisfactorily decided, but more often not. Though our brother may not carry off the spoils in this engagement, there is one thing we all know, that is, that he has an excellent speech to deliver on that occasion. There need be but little fear of either or any of his three opponents having a more logical or rhetorical literary production to render then. They may be successful in creating a favor that will give them the decision at that moment. In all, we have the utmost confidence in our representative though.

Our other new brother, J. W. Davis, Clarksburg, W. Va., is soaring along smoothly. He has an abundance of the material in him that will create the laugh, and gives much sunshine to our household. He is studious, *sober*, and quite reliable in all things except as to what he gets for dinner.

The Phi Psi's, though never guilty of seeking to elevate their brothers to office, deserving or not deserving, continue to receive honors, mostly at the desire of outsiders. Our Brother Turpin was unanimously elected president of the Graham-Lee Literary Society—a body of nearly seventy members—and he appears to be a highly satisfactory officer. Brother Miller, his room-mate, was at the same time, and in like manner, elected treasurer of the same society. Brother Anspach was chosen one of the editors of the *Collegian*, the university monthly magazine.

College politics at the Washington and Lee have always been warm, but this year, for the first time, our "bug" has been accused of combining with other fraternities to put fraternity men alone into positions of honor. Of course we can truthfully deny and easily refute this charge as to ourselves; but as there has been such an anti-fraternity sentiment stirred up it is hard to make them believe. It is as the poet Moore has said—

" * * * The lovers may
Distrust that look which steals his soul away;
The babe may cease to think that it can play
With heaven's rainbow; alchemists may doubt
The shining gold their crucible gives out;
But Faith, fanatic Faith, once wedded fast
To some dear falsehood, hugs it to the last."

Our hands are clean we have the satisfaction to know, and our purpose is to keep them so. Our frat. as a frat. shall never suffer by unwarranted combinations or cliques if we can avoid it. So there is nothing for us to regret.

The religious work at Washington and Lee has been carried on with much success through the college Y. M. C. A., in which our Brother Miller is a constant worker.

Brothers Hale, Houston, and W. Herbert Vimfree are still working that strange combination of study and calico to a high degree of perfection. They have, what is more strange, a high grade in both. R. L. HARPER.

Lexington, Va., January 14, 1890.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD nothing of peculiar interest has occurred. All the members of Virginia Gamma, after having engaged in the festivities and frivolities of a beautiful Christmas, once more gathered in the chapter hall to enjoy themselves and to sing songs to the praise of old $\Phi \Psi$, as its sweet music inspired them.

We are glad to note that we will lose no member this term, but all the boys are back and are ready to start to work and do credit to themselves and the fraternity. At present Va. Gamma is progressing as well as it generally does, although at the first of the term we had but a small force, yet by hard work we have brought the number up to a goodly one.

Brother Scott Watson is now local editor of the Lynchburg *Advance*, which is considered the best paper at that place.

Brother Robert Watson, of Petersburg, was seen Christmas by one of our members, who said that he was in high spirits, and doing very well.

Sorry that our letter is so short and non-communicative, but at this time of the year especially, fraternity news is very scarce. J. S. McILVAINE.

Hampden-Sidney, Va., January 10, 1890.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY.

Since our last communication was forwarded we have made a change in our quarters. The chapter house on Franklin St. was found to be entirely too large for our use, and as the rent was as large, in proportion, as the dimensions of the house, it was decided to move back to our former rooms on Linden Ave., where we are now installed.

During the holidays we enjoyed a pleasant call from Brother Stires, of Alexandria, Va., and had also a good, long visit from Brother Dashiell, of Lehigh University.

It is the earnest intention of Maryland Alpha to run a regular chapter house next year, where the members can room together and be more constantly associated with each other than has hitherto been possible. The membership is certainly large enough, and from estimates thus far made, we feel confident that the idea can and will be brought to a successful outcome.

The men seem to be getting more and more of the fraternity spirit then heretofore, and one of the greatest causes of this lies in the fact that not a single man is on the roll who is not on the best of good terms with the other men. We have a larger representation on the college and class teams and organizations than any other fraternity, and our men are among the best known and most popular men of the university. Under these circumstances there appears to be no reason why Maryland Alpha should not soon take rank with the largest and best chapters of our whole fraternity, and we intend that it shall do so, if hard work will accomplish anything.

We will, if possible, have a delegate on the floor at the coming convention in Chicago, but the university work is so pressing here that it will be difficult to

select a man who can spare the time, for no cuts are allowed here, as is the custom elsewhere, and time lost is not to be regained.

Levering Hall, the handsome building donated to the Johns Hopkins University branch of the Y. M. C. A., is finished and will be formally opened on January 16th. The building is of fine pressed brick and brown stone, and is situated centrally with reference to the other university buildings. It is a model of comfort and good taste. The main hall has a seating capacity of four hundred and fifty.

The 'Varsity Lacrosse and Base Ball teams are at work practicing and training for the coming season, and good work is expected from each. There is a strong probability that the Lacrosse team will join the Inter-Collegiate League this spring, and if such be the case, the championship is liable to settle at Johns Hopkins University, for seven of our players are members of the famous Druids, who hold the Oelrich's cup.

Φ K Ψ will be strongly represented on both the Lacrosse and Base Ball teams.

C. R. MCKAY.

Baltimore, Maryland, January 11, 1890.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the winter term on the 8th, found Ohio Δ's members all at their old posts, ready to battle for old Φ Ψ. We have with us this term Bro. P. N Jones, of Ohio A, who has entered the electrical engineering department, class of '92.

At our first meeting, on the 11th inst., we initiated Bro. Frank C. Cope, '93, the son of Secretary Cope, of the Board of Trustees of our university. Brother Cope was thoroughly imbued with the spirit of Φ K Ψ by our meeting of the 13th.

The 13th inst. was inauguration-day, and we had the great pleasure of entertaining during the day and evening Bros. H. Runkle, F. R. Foraker, H. H. McKeegan, J. B. Foraker, Jr., Cloyd Brotherton, F. E. Ross, F. C. Weaver, W. H. Webster, R. F. Rust, and C. W. Reynolds, of Ohio A, and Bro. R. C. Price, of New York A, as jolly and good a crowd of Φ Ψs as one would wish to see. Our new hall, with its seven windows looking down on High street, gave us a good position from which to review the parade of Democracy. The day will long be remembered by Ohio Δ, and we assure Ohio A and all other Φ Ψs that such visits are much appreciated by us, and you will always receive a hearty greeting if you only make yourselves known.

Saturday evening, 4th inst., we had the pleasure of meeting Brother Smart for the first time since he moved to Cleveland. Brothers Foraker and Brotherton, of Ohio A, were also present.

We moved into our new hall on the 24th of December, and a large part of the vacation was taken up in getting things arranged. We are much pleased with our new home, and think we have the finest fraternity hall in town.

Another of Ohio Δ's sons has joined the grand army of Benedicts. On Christmas occurred the wedding of Bro. J. A. Wilgus, '88, and Miss Flavia Mc-

Gurer, formerly of the class of '92. Our best wishes go with Brother Wilgus and his bride.

Bro. Mort. S. Browne, ex-'91, at present employed in New York City, has been spending his vacation at his home in Columbus.

Bros. Kiesewetter and Peters represented Ohio Δ at the banquet of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, and report a splendid time.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, January 14, 1890.

WABASH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD we have suffered the loss of one of our members, Jas. H. Perrin, by resignation. This may not seem a good beginning for a new year, but we do not feel that it will materially affect us, and hope soon to make up his loss, although a resignation is generally a detriment to any chapter. Still, we have good reason to congratulate ourselves.

Brothers Crouse and Farrell, who we thought could not return, are again able to be with us. We feel that we will have need for their enthusiastic work.

When we came back this term we were sorry to find that our hall had been somewhat disfigured by a fire. It only, however, affected the ante-room, and the hall proper is still in a good condition. We hope soon to have it fully repaired.

A still sadder event happened during the holidays—that of the death of Brother J. Burns. He committed suicide at Terre Haute, Ind. He was one of our alumni members, and we cannot but express the deepest regret at his death.

The bad weather has not permitted any out-door sports this term, but the boys are looking forward to the time when we can again enjoy our athletic exercises.

Brother Fritz (Kansas Alpha) is still with us, and last week organized a class in Elocution. He seems to be well drilled in his work, and we wish him success.

All the new brothers who were taken in last term (among them your scribe) will shortly be given the second degree, if there exists such a thing. No doubt, we hope, will be left on the matter after the performance is over, when we will breathe more freely. We look forward to the time when we can "give" instead of "receive."

News seems to be scarce, so with best wishes for all, we close.

JAS. H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Ind., January 13, 1890.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha sends greetings to her sister chapters and wishes them, one and all, a prosperous and happy New Year. Although we were not able to present our good wishes on New Year's Day, when such greetings are the order of events, yet the greater part of the year is before us, for additional conquests over our friends, the enemy; and for the growth of that fraternal love and brotherly interest in one another that makes our fraternity what she is to us.

Affairs at Northwestern University are swimming along smoothly. The active rushing season is over, and the fraternities have settled down to a quiet enjoyment of their accomplishments, getting acquainted with their own members instead of with the freshmen. We expect shortly to unite in a Pan-Hellenic banquet, at which the principal fraternities will participate. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and $\Delta \Upsilon$ will be left out in the cold. The date of the event has not been determined, but we expect to hold it early in February.

The new catalogue for 1889-'90 has just been issued. The summary of students in all departments of the university shows a total attendance of 1,692—an increase of more than 200 over last year.

The election of associate editors for *The Northwestern* recently took place. Out of four men to be elected, Brothers Moulding, Terry and Grier were chosen. Brother Grier, however, owing to an extra amount of outside work, thought it necessary to resign.

The committee from our chapter to confer with the Chicago Alumni Association in regard to the arrangements for the Grand Arch Council, make whoop-y-up reports of plans that are being made for the entertainment of delegates and visitors. Our chapter is looking forward with eager interest for the event, and is anticipating a grand time.

In the chapter meetings, this term, we are going to take up, each evening, the discussion of some topic relative to the general fraternity. A programme has been arranged and a topic announced for each meeting. We think it a good plan, if it is taken hold of in the right way, and especially advantageous in bringing up our new men.

One or two of the Michigan Alpha boys and several of our fellows, happening to spend the Christmas vacation in Chicago, fraternized in a most brotherly way and managed to spend a very enjoyable time, out of what, otherwise, might have been a dull vacation.

In closing, if there were time and space, I would repeat the sentence with which I began.

STEWART A. MALTMAN.

Evanston, Illinois, January 11, 1890.

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY.

"The periodic task
Of written talk is hard to many hearts."

The above quotation from Miss Smedley applies aptly to *Mr. Sm(al)ley*. Alas! what a deplorable state of affairs. Did we not swear by all that is righteous, when we joined this fraternity, never, under any circumstances whatsoever, to communicate the secrets of the fraternity? Yet what have we done? In the last four or five weeks not a few of our members have given the "Grippe" to non-fraternity men. While hoping that the above disease will spread no farther, let me turn for a moment to our *alma mater*.

What are we doing? In the first place we are growing, growing, especially in a sense of numbers. We are now crowding close on to twenty-two hundred while Harvard has yet to see twenty-one hundred. What we can say of

the university in general we can also say of our Chemical Laboratory. But we can say still more. Additions have been made to the above laboratory, making it the largest degeneration establishment in the world, excepting, I believe, Westminster Abbey and our National Cemetery. But we have yet to learn whether we have reason to rejoice of the above fact; for the obnoxious odors emitted by this "unknown" world may now be expected to permeate to a greater extent the midnight as well as the noonday air.

It is with most profound regret that I am compelled to announce to the readers of THE SHIELD the death of one of our brothers, W. C. Malley. Michigan Alpha adopts the following resolution: "*Whereas*, It has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our beloved brother, William Charles Malley, to play in the position of captain on the University of Michigan Rugby team, we do hereby tender him our heartfelt sympathy in his new life."

Our annual junior hop, given by the nine principal fraternities in Ann Arbor, is to be held this year on February 14th.

The sophomores give a German dance this evening. No wooden shoes are allowed upon the floor, although favors will be given in the shape of little bags of sauer-kraut. Motto: "*Gott mit uns.*"

JAMES B. SMALLEY.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, January 15, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Minnesota Beta to her sister chapters, greeting! A happy New Year! For ourselves, we begin the year with bright prospects, *La Grippe* to the contrary *non obstante*. Of our nineteen active members, all have returned after the Christmas vacation except Brother Lommen, who is suffering from a bronchial attack. We trust, however, soon to have him with us again. He is one of the hard workers, and we feel for him in his enforced idleness.

As hinted in our last letter, Δ K E has lifted the chapter of Φ Δ Θ, and the latter fraternity is without representation at the university for the present. There seems to be a sudden desire on the part of the "favorite societies" to get a footing in our rising institution, and we hear rumors in the air that chapters of Ψ Υ and Δ Υ will soon be established. "The more the merrier." Let them come on. Much change has taken place in the fraternity world of the university during 1889, and we now have, in the order of their establishment, X Ψ, Θ Φ (local), Δ T Δ, Φ K Ψ, Σ X, B Θ Π, Δ K E, and sororities K K Γ, Δ Γ, K A Θ.

On Tuesday, December 10th, we spent a very pleasant evening at the house of Brother Bushnell. It was an entirely masculine affair, but none the less enjoyable, perhaps, on that account. Brother Dickinson favored us with some remarkably fine dramatic pieces during the evening, and the occasion was much enjoyed by all present. Sad to relate, however, as we went home and made a dash for the street-car, which the perverse conductor refused to stop, Bro. O. L. Triggs lost an overshoe. So between Brothers Dickinson and Triggs we had "a feast of reason and a flow of sole."

We had the pleasure shortly before vacation of receiving a visit from Brother Spangler, of Kansas A. Not until after he left did we find out that he was acting president of Kansas University. We had entertained an angel un-awares.

The university main building has just been saved from destruction. On Friday, January 3rd, it caught fire, and it was some time before the flames could be extinguished. Fortunately it occurred during vacation. If we had all been assembled in the chapel, on the third floor, doubtless there would have been some accidents.

Talking of the fire brings to mind the great *Tribune* fire in this city. Brother Sikes was engaged at work in the seventh story when the fire broke out, and was in very great danger. Fortunately he was rescued with no more serious injury than a sprained leg, which he hurt in breaking down a door.

And now the time has come for me to say farewell and resign the pen of the B. G. to other hands. Our chapter has had a year of great prosperity, and it has been a real pleasure to send to *THE SHIELD* a monthly account of our doings. I feel constrained to take this opportunity to express what I believe is not only my own feeling, but that of every member of the chapter, a hearty appreciation of Brother Van Cleve's management of the fraternity organ. Adieu.

THEO. G. SOARES.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, January 8, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC.

For fear that the only chapter of Phi Kappa Psi on the Pacific Coast may not be represented in the January number of *THE SHIELD*, we take this opportunity, during our vacation, to chronicle the late events in regard to California Alpha. First we present to the fraternity at large, Bro. Pember S. Castleman, of Riverside, California, and Bro. Leslie M. Burwell, of Sacramento, California. Brother Burwell represented the Archanian Society as orator at our late contest, on the last evening of last term. Brother Castleman was literally lifted out of the midst of the barbs., with whom he had been rooming all term. The three whom he had been rooming with were not at all congratulatory in their remarks when they beheld the $\Phi \chi \Psi$ badge and the pink and lavender.

Our oratorical contest was an intensely interesting event, and all the $\Phi \Psi$ s who were on the programme did exceedingly well. The other participants also did themselves credit.

A short time before the end of the term the California Alpha boys with Vice-President Martin, sat for a real $\Phi \Psi$ picture, and with one or two exceptions, the group picture presents excellent likenesses of our boys. There were twenty-one of us counting Dr. Martin, our oldest, and yet in geniality, our youngest brother. Since then we have initiated Brother Burwell, making our active membership twenty-one, although I fear that we may be reduced again to twenty, as Brother Macfarlane may not return next term on account of his eyes;

we may, however, make up for our loss by further initiations; so far we have initiated seven good men during the fall term.

We have recently sent out our semi-annual circular letter, and are beginning to receive our responses. "It is a poor rule that don't work both ways," and so we ask our alumni to respond, and the letters received are always good ones too, and benefit the hearers in more ways than one. We were recently in San Francisco, and from what we have heard, we judge that we may be warranted in saying that before a great while San Francisco will have an alumni association. It would boom $\Phi \Psi$ on this coast of booms. All booms do not subside like some we have heard of,

We have been reading with great interest the "Recollections of Phi Kappa Psi." They give us knowledge in regard to the fraternity that we could not have learned in any other way, and right here we might say that every active Phi Psi on this coast wants THE SHIELD continued as a monthly. No bi-monthly in ours, please.

We were glad to read in Cornell's letter that New York Alpha intended to build a chapter house. California Alpha believes most firmly in a chapter home. If California Alpha, after six years of life with alumni, probably to the number of fifty, could buy a lot and erect a neat chapter house, what could not some of our older chapters with their scores of alumni do. Of course it took lots of talk and scheming, but to what good results. Get the active brothers to give their notes for such amounts as they can afford, payable termly, and then call upon the alumni to give their notes for such amounts as they can give, also payable in installments, and then buy shares in some "Building and Loan Association," from which you receive the ready cash to build your dwelling. The notes, together with a very small room-rent, enable us to make our monthly payments and then we live more cheaply and upon better fare than if we boarded elsewhere than in our "chapter home." Our boys as they leave the active duties of chapter life, and as they are able, give their notes for the chapter house fund, so that although many of the old notes are paid off, new ones are continually coming in.

We are sorry that we are so far from the place of the Grand Arch Council. We wish we could attend in a body, but will probably have to be satisfied with a delegate or so.

Brother Tompkins has been married. The notice is under California Alpha's personals.

May the new decade upon which we have entered see a marked progression and a large increase to the chapter roll of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity!

EDWIN A. WILCOX.

San Jose, California, January 7, 1890.

Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA A.

Below is an extract from a sketch of the life of David Acheson McKnight, '60, in Washington and Jefferson Alumni Annual for 1885:

It was only a vigorous resistance in the field hospital of the enemy, where he was taken after he was wounded, that the intervention of the Surgeon in Chief was called. When this official was bending over him, Dave recognized the college secret society badge, of which he was a member, in the rebel's scarf. This he told to the officer, and his arm and doubtless life were saved by the personal kindness and care which he received from him for four days in the surgeon's own headquarters. He was then sent to Richmond, shortly afterwards arrived at home, and was, on account of his wounds, honorably discharged from the army.

Since 1878, when he was admitted to the bar at Washington, D. C., he has been and still is an attorney and legal adviser in the United States Patent Office.

Here is a clipping from the same source regarding William Aiken Starret, '60:

He was born at Fayette, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. He entered Jefferson College and divided the second honor of his class with Mordecai B. Massey, a member of the same fraternity. He afterwards spent three years at Princeton Theological Seminary, where he graduated in April, 1862, entering the ministry in the Presbyterian Church he became pastor of the Union, now First Presbyterian Church, of Lawrence, Kansas, and served six years. A change having taken place in his views, he demitted the ministry of the Presbyterian Church, and resigned his pastorate in 1870. From 1869 till 1871 he was Superintendent of Public Instruction in Douglas County, Kansas. For some time he was editor of the *Kansas Daily Tribune*. He is now practicing law in Chicago, Illinois, having his office at 42 Lakeside Building.

His wife is a lady of more than ordinary intelligence, and is now editing a magazine in Chicago.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

'67. Dr. W. E. Parson's church, after being remodeled and beautified at an expense of about \$8,500, was re-opened Nov. 3d. It also has a fine new organ, the generous gift of Mrs. G. W. Utermehle. Dr. Albert, '67, assisted at the opening services, preaching in the evening.

Dr. Parson's members have also shown their interest in the new mission in charge of Rev. W. H. Gotwald, '66, presenting it a large and costly circular window.

'71. Dr. J. McP. Scott, one of Hagerstown's leading physicians and most public spirited citizens, manifests an unflinching interest in *Alma Mater*. He says: "It is needless for me to assure you of my abiding interest in the college, and my great gratification to know of the brilliant future which appears to be a certainty."

'71. Philip N. Graff has met with a sad bereavement in the death of his devoted wife on Nov. 20th. We extend to him our sincere sympathy in his trying affliction. He and his brothers, E. D., J. Frank, '79, and Peter, formerly of '72, all heartily approved of their father's decision to found a professorship in our college as a memorial to Dr. Charles H. Indeed, several of them were willing to give half the amount necessary, but their father concluded to give the whole of it out of his son's estate which came into his possession. We take special pleasure in recording this evidence of their interest as well as their father's in Pennsylvania College. Dr. Stahley has received from Philip M. a picture of Dr. Charles H., which will be hung, as it should be, in Dr. S.'s recitation room.

'80. Rev. C. A. Eyler has taken charge of the Lutheran mission in Leavenworth, Kansas. In announcing his change of address, he concludes with, "Hurrah for Pennsylvania College! How I would like to spend my college days over under the inspiration of her present progressive spirit."

'81. Rev. J. W. Byers has accepted a call to Meyersdale, Pa., to take charge of the new pastorate formed from part of the charge of Rev. M. L. Young, '75.

Dr. Stahley is the author of the leading article in *The Doctor* for November, on "Physical Training—Its Use and Abuse." We notice in the same issue that his name is in the list of regular contributors. As *The Doctor* has a large circulation and goes to nearly all the gymnasiums, our institutions will receive additional public notice through Dr. S.'s contributions.—*Pennsylvania College Monthly*.

PENNSYLVANIA θ.

Dr. J. W. Bright, '77, holds the position of Associate in English at Johns Hopkins.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

Dr. M. D. Learned, '80, of Johns Hopkins, has just published the first part of an exhaustive discussion of the Pennsylvania German dialect.

PENNSYLVANIA K.

'89. In connection with his studies at the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, New York City, Bro. Alexander G. Cummins, Jr., is acting as assistant at Christ's Church, Greenwich, Conn.

'89. Bro. Frederic B. Pyle has decided to take up the study of architecture in Philadelphia.

'89. In connection with his studies at the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania, Bro. E. M. Harvey is acting as private secretary to Dr. Edward Martin, Swarthmore, '78, one of the most distinguished practitioners in Philadelphia.

'91. The new staff for the publication of the *Halcyon*, the Swarthmore junior annual, has chosen Bro. William C. Sproul, editor-in-chief, and Bros. Chester P. Martindale and L. P. Clark, business managers.

'91. Bro. A. M. Palmer has been elected to the *Phoenix* staff. Of the six men on the staff, Phi Psi has two, Brother Sproul being associate editor.

Bro. Grant Dibert, a member of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association and one of Kappa's charter members, made the anniversary banquet the occasion for a general trip east, and spent a week at the college and in Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore.

Ex-'92. Bro. Ralph Lewis has been offered the vacant captaincy of Company H, Sixth Regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania, a rare distinction for so young a man. Brother Lewis is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Military Academy at Chester.

NEW YORK B.

Bros. Frank S. Husted, '91, and Earl D. Shepard, '92, of this chapter, together with Bros. F. H. Morgan, of Pennsylvania Beta, and Charles H. Boll, '92, of New York Alpha, formerly a member of New York Beta, spent a very pleasant and enjoyable evening during the Christmas vacation with Bro. Robert J. Burdette. The following article is an account of

the occasion, and was taken from the *LeRoy Times*, of January 1, 1890, which paper is ably edited by Brother Morgan at LeRoy, N. Y. :

AN EVENING WITH BURDETTE.

On Monday evening last Mr. Robert J. Burdette delivered his lecture, "The Rise and Fall of the Mustache," before one of the finest and largest audiences gathered at the Caledonia Opera House for a long time. For over two hours this prince of American humorists kept that audience in peals of laughter.

Among those present was a representation of the college fraternity, the Phi Kappa Psi, of which Mr. Burdette is a most enthusiastic member. The lecturer wore his Phi Psi pin and colors, and his reference to his society in his lecture brought plaudits from the brethren, joined in by some of the audience.

After the lecture Mr. Burdette and the Phi Psi representatives who were from Le Roy went into executive session at the Moss House, where Landlord Keisler had provided a lunch which did credit to his finely conducted hotel. It was after midnight before the discussion of matters gastronomical was concluded, and amidst humorous and pathetic stories, songs and fraternity fun, the hours on the Tuesday side of midnight were consumed.

Mr. Burdette is being constantly entertained by the various chapters of this fraternity and probably few of its members keep the entire run of its interests as does he.

THE SHIELD is in receipt of the following invitation which will interest Φ Ψ s everywhere who know our loyal brother who has doubled his joys so recently :

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Beasley
request your presence at the marriage of their daughter
Emma Godfrey
to Mr. Frederic Newell Burritt,
Wednesday evening, January twenty-second,
at half-past eight o'clock,
582 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn.
1890.

NEW YORK A.

R. Huber Murphy, Jr., '91, is located at 501 Frederick avenue, Baltimore, Md.

NEW YORK E.

Bro. E. B. Shallow, '88, spent a part of the vacation in Hamilton. Brother Shallow is teaching at Rahway, N. J.

Bro. D. B. William, '89, of Peddie Institute, Hightstown, N. J., spent his vacation in Hamilton.

Brothers Sholar, '89, and Devine, '91, spent the vacation in evangelistic work at Afton, New York.

Bro. A. B. Potter, '91, spent the vacation with Bro. F. H. Bennett, '89, at Danbury, Connecticut. Brother Bennett is a professor in the Connecticut Literary Institution, Suffield, Connecticut.

Bro. W. A. Billings, '92, is now at Ilion, New York.

VIRGINIA A.

At the recent meeting of the American Historical Association, Prof. William P. Trent, of the University of the South, read a paper on Historical Studies in the South. Other Phi Psis present were R. H. Dabney, Professor of History in the University of Virginia; C. H. Haskins, Instructor in History at Johns Hopkins; F. H. Hodder, Instructor in Political Economy at Cornell, and W. W. Willoughby, of Johns Hopkins. The fraternity is further represented in the association by Dr. F. W. Blackmar, of the University of Kansas; Dr. E. R. L. Gould, of the Department of Labor; Dr. E. J. James, of the University of Pennsylvania; Prof. F. J. Turner, of the University of Wisconsin, and Dr. Woodrow Wilson, of Wesleyan.

OHIO A.

WINTER—ALLEN—On New Year's day at the residence of the bride's parents, Prof. W. Phillips Winter, '87, of Ft. Wayne College, was married to Miss Elsie Allen, of Fayette, Ohio.

Prof. C. W. Bennett, '67, of Piqua, who was one of the judges of the recent oratorical contest reports the impressions of his *Alma Mater* in the last *Western Advocate*. He mentions the large mounted seals donated last term to the museum by W. V. Cox, '74, of Washington, D. C.

ILLINOIS A.

Bro. William H. Jordan, '81, is now presiding elder of the Sioux Falls District, Dakota Conference, M. E. Church.

Bro. Gerhardt C. Mars, '85, has been acting President of the University of South Dakota since the death of President Olson.

Bro. W. A. Hall, '88, has been made Secretary of the Hanford Linseed Oil Co., of Chicago.

Bro. W. H. Crawford, '84, left recently for Atlanta, Georgia, where he has accepted a professorship in the Gammon Theological Seminary.

Bro. C. E. Piper, '82, was a prominent candidate for drainage trustee for the new sanitary district recently organized in and around Chicago.

These trustees are to have charge of the construction of a canal connecting Chicago and the Mississippi River, and will have between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000 pass through their hands.

Bro. Sam Weir, '89, was married on December 25, 1889, at Oswego, Illinois, and in company with his wife has returned to Winfield, Kansas, where he is professor of Latin and Greek in Southwest Kansas College.

Brothers Graves, '89, Booth, '88, and Brother Robinson, of New York Alpha, are all holding down desks in the same law office—Hoyne, Follansbee & O'Connor, of Chicago.

ILLINOIS B.

J. V. Streed is studying law.

Frank Levering is practicing law in Denver, Colorado.

Samuel A. Perrine is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Ora P. Seward, '81, has given up the practice of law in Omaha, Nebraska, and has come to Chicago.

Samuel Randell, '81, has gone upon a ranch near Passadena, California, in the hope of regaining his health.

Elbridge R. Anderson is a partner in the law firm of Bartlett, Gage & Anderson, 244 Washington St., Boston, Mass.

Owen B. Short is traveling for the publishing house of R. S. King Publishing Company of this city.

CHICAGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

A. E. Mabie is attending the evening law school.

Charles P. Abbey is reading law with the firm of Millard & Smith.

Perkins B. Bass, is teaching an evening school and pursuing his studies in law.

Rev. T. R. Swartwout has resigned as pastor of the Bethany Church of this city.

John Crawford, Illinois Beta, is manager of a hardware store on Cottage Grove Ave. and 43d St.

Louis W. Crow, Wisconsin Gamma, is manager of the coal yard and dock of W. F. Scott & Co. He has acquired some renown of late as pitcher of an in-door base ball nine.

Frank H. Foster, Wis. A., has left his position as foreman of the Cloak Manufacturing Department at Marshall, Field & Co., and has accepted a better position in their wholesale house.

Craig Thoms, Illinois Beta, is preaching at the Mission of the First Baptist Church of this city in connection with his studies at the Theological College.

T. R. Weddell, Illinois Beta, has just returned from a trip to California, where he went as special correspondent on the initial trip of the fast mail train.

Charles W. Henson, Illinois Beta, has given up his mechanical engineering, and has started in the printing business with his brother under the firm name of Henson Bros., at 307 Dearborn St.

The executive committee of the alumni association, together with the executive council man and a special committee from Illinois Alpha Chapter, is hard at work upon the coming Grand Arch Council and will do everything in its power to make the meeting a success.

MINNESOTA B.

'89. Bro. O. L. Triggs, Fellow of the University of Minnesota, is giving instructions in the English Department.

'91. Brother Purdy went home to White Hall, Illinois, for Christmas.

'91. Brother Snedikor visited the late Minnesota Alpha at Northfield.

CALIFORNIA A.

There was a happy wedding at the residence of the Hon. Cyrus Jones, at 399 North Third street, on Thursday last, when Miss Nellie Jones was wedded to Samuel G. Tompkins. The ceremony took place at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. The two spacious parlors of the residence was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The front parlor, in which the ceremony took place, was hung with white gauze, festooned from the center of the ceiling to the corners and the sides of the room. These were inwoven with wreaths of smilax, forming a fairy cobweb of grace and fragrance over the whole apartment. The other parlor was adorned in the same way, except that the draperies were of pink instead of white. Great vases of calla lilies stood about the fireplaces and in the corners of the bay-windows, and there was a multitude of roses everywhere. Just in front of the deep alcove formed by a bay-window in the main parlor, there hung from the ceiling a beautiful bell formed of orchids, tuberose and other dainty blossoms whose perfume is a melody fit for golden wedding bells. Beneath this stood the bride and groom, unattended by either maid or groomsman. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. C. Minton in a manner of impressive simplicity. The only persons present at the ceremony were the relatives of the bride and groom and a few intimate friends of the family. The bride wore a dress of pearl white faille francaise, cut V-shaped back and front, with elbow sleeves. The front was draped with an overskirt of white silk gauze with satin stripes. Long white gloves covered her arms to the elbow. The bridal veil was surmounted with a wreath of natural orange blossoms, and the exquisite flowers were the only ornaments that the bride wore to adorn her beauty.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served, and in the afternoon from 1 to 4 there was a grand reception to the many friends of both the families. The wedding presents were numerous, beautiful and appropriate. Among them is a masterpiece of the etcher's art, presented by the class of '86 of the University of the Pacific to the bride and groom, both of whom were graduated in that class. Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins left at 4:20 for San Francisco to spend the first days of their honeymoon. They started off in a shower of rice that fell as thick as snowflakes all around them.—*San Jose, California, Mercury.*

College and Fraternity Notes.

Mrs. Elisha Jones has given \$10,000 to establish at Michigan University a classical fellowship for girls.

The University of Nebraska, at Lincoln, has registered this year 130 students, a gain of twenty over last year.

The general endowment fund of Wesleyan University has been increased recently by gifts amounting to \$310,000.

Hon. Seth Low will be inaugurated as president of Columbia College on February 4th.

The trustees of Johns Hopkins University have adopted a resolution discouraging the attempt on the part of the under-graduates to publish a paper.

Phi Kappa Psi is working to re-establish the chapter at the University of Pennsylvania on its old footing of influence.—*Shield of $\theta \Delta X$* .

'Tis done.—ED.

Judging from our purpose and character as a fraternity, I do not think it wise that Kappa Kappa Gamma should be introduced in other than co-educational colleges.—*Miss Nelson in The Key*.

The building of the University of Chicago, which for over a year has been used as a tenement house, has been entirely cleared of tenants, with the expectation of starting any day in the work of its demolition.

The Tri Delta fraternity founded at Boston University about a year ago has placed its third chapter at Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois. The fraternity claims a membership of nearly two hundred.

“President Harrison belongs to no secret society.”—*New York Press*. This is rather hard on our Phi Delta Theta friends who have been booming General Harrison so freely during the past year.— *ΔY Quar.*

The Beta Theta Pi chapter, which was started *sub rosa* last spring at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., has at last blossomed out. The membership is about fifteen, and there are left less than twenty neutrals in the whole college.

Miss Mila F. Tupper, Psi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, who was graduated last year from Cornell University, was recently ordained to the Unitarian ministry. Miss Tupper has already entered upon her duties as pastor of the First Unitarian Church at La Porte, Indiana.—*The Key*.

The annual convention of Psi Upsilon will be held at Providence, R. I., May 1 and 2, 1890. Chauncey M. Depew, Senator Hawley, and Dr. John Hall have been asked to serve as orator, but no one has yet consented. The literary exercises will be held in the evening of the first day, followed by the usual ball. The dinner will take place the following evening, at the Narragansett Hotel.

Kappa Alpha Theta at last has a fraternity flower. We have long felt a want of this, and are glad that we now have such a beautiful one. Every loyal Theta girl will be sure to have a bed of black and gold pansies. Let us always wear them, and may our "thoughts" at all times be such that will make us true-hearted women.—*Kappa Alpha Theta*.

The flagrant boast of Delta Kappa Epsilon that they never lose a proposition, is now being tenderly nursed. A short time ago they gave a banquet to four men (something hitherto unknown in Deke history at De Pauw), whom they were spiking. The banquet proved a complete "Jonah," and they lost all four of the men, and two more on the strength of it.—*De Pauw Corr. Σ X Quar.*

The University of California was favored last spring and summer with a fraternity war on paper. The college weekly was inspired by a public oration on "The Function of College Greek-letter Fraternities," to publish editorials denouncing fraternities right and left, and charging gross immorality against the Dekes, Zeta Psis and Chi Phis, some of which the Beta Theta Pi correspondent says was well founded.

A fraternity directory, containing the names of all residents of the largest cities, would be of incalculable advantage to any one who might wish to find a brother when traveling. The labor of compiling such a directory is very great. We have New York City about ready to print. It will be first printed in the next number of the *Shield*, to be followed by other cities, and, as soon as completed and corrected, will be published in book form at a nominal cost.—*Shield of θ Δ X*.

The new plan of bearing the expenses of our convention is an admirable one. All chapters are obliged to send at least one delegate, and the traveling expenses and those of the convention are to be shared equally by the chapters. This does away with the absence of delegates on account of being so far away that they do not feel as though they could afford to send a delegate so far.—*Kappa Alpha Theta*.

The subject of fraternity relations is somewhat trite; concerning it we can only say that everything is in *statu quo*. We are friendly enough with other fraternities, vote with them, and are not yet on the *Palladium* Board, though we think the time is not very distant when we will be admitted. A singular impression seems to prevail among some of the fraternity now here that at a recent convention Delta Upsilon changed her constitution and became a secret society.—*Univ. Mich. Corr. Δ Υ Quar.*

Our college, being on a boom, now claims about one hundred and sixty students, alias "Fish." The fish of this season are much better characterized by their urbanity than those of last. Notwithstanding this improvement there has not been a great deal of buzz in our microcosmic circle of Greeks. Of the whole number of students there are only thirty-two fraternity men, distributed as follows: *B Θ Π*, 10; *Φ Δ Θ*, 7; *Φ Κ Σ*, 2; *Κ Σ*, 4; *Κ Α*, 4; *Φ Θ Ψ*, 1; *Σ Χ*, 4.—*Randolph-Macon Corr. Σ Χ Quar.*

"Delta Tau Delta, we believe (by the establishment of her Boston University and Tufts chapters on May 9th), enjoys the distinction of being the first fraternity to give birth to twins."—*May Delta Upsilon Quarterly*. Phi Gamma Delta has a prior claim to that honor, as on April 12, 1888, our Cornell and Pennsylvania State college chapters were ushered into existence. Can any one antedate us?—*Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Our most enthusiastic and bitter barb. opponents have just failed to receive a charter from *Φ Δ Θ*. The faculty granted them permission to be fraternity men; but alas, even *Φ Δ Θ* could not afford them that supreme satisfaction of being Greeks. Now that they have been so completely squelched we anticipate a more vigorous opposition than ever, but their enmity only makes Sigma Chi stronger, for on every possible occasion our fraternity is brought into prominence by their attempt to prevent *Σ Χ* from "running the college."—*Purdue Corr. Σ Χ Quar.*

The Junior Society of Corpse and Coffin, founded at Wesleyan, established a chapter here in the winter, to be known as the Chapter of the Dagger. The membership is limited to thirteen, and of the charter

members five, our entire '90 delegation, were $\Delta K E$ s. A new freshman society also made its appearance about the same time as a successor of the old $K \Gamma$, and called $B \Delta B$. It has since founded a chapter at Madison University.—*Syracuse Corr. \Delta K E Quar.*

We can not help thinking that there has been a great mistake made in the way the amended constitution is to reach the chapters, each chapter copying it for themselves and sending it to the next in order of establishment. In this way it will be many months before all the chapters will have the constitution. This is surely wrong, for every chapter needs her constitution to use, that she may make no blunders by following the old one. It would be well if the chapter who now has it would make copies of it and send them to the remaining chapters.—*Kappa Alpha Theta.*

It is not interesting for us to publish the journal for unappreciative readers. It takes much time and a large amount of very hard work, and this year has cost the writer a cash outlay of over \$300, which he has contributed for the good of the fraternity. No better fraternity journal is published. There certainly ought to be no delay on your part to contribute the small sum asked for. If all who receive the *Shield* subscribe for it, the success of the journal is assured beyond question for as many years as you will keep up your subscription. If you fail to respond it will cease to exist after the next year.—*Shield of \theta \Delta X.*

The correspondent of the *Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record* from Mt. Union College, at Alliance, O., gives some startling information: "Other fraternities seem to be turning their attention to Mt. Union college. This week has seen a chapter of the $K K \Gamma$ organized here, and the $A \Delta \Phi$ is likely to follow within a few weeks. The fraternities here are strong. The $\Sigma A E$ has fourteen active members; the $A T \Omega$ has twenty-two. We can not say how many Delta Gamma has, but the chapter is prospering. The $K K \Gamma$ has five members, and the $A \Delta \Phi$ will probably enter with seven."

Heaven save the mark!

Every one of our twenty-five active chapters and four of the alumni associations were represented by delegates at the convention held in October with Syracuse. The convention, as a whole, was quite successful, the chapter reports were encouraging, the attendance large, the literary exercises and banquet good, and the interest well sustained. While the social side was profitable and very pleasant, the business value of the convention was somewhat disappointing. The customary number of dele-

gates unfamiliar with the fraternity constitution were present, and as a result some business was transacted not in accordance with the provisions of the constitution. Next year the convention goes to Northwestern, and in the year following to Harvard.—*Shield of θ Δ X.*

Rev. Dr. Robert S. McArthur writes in the *Christian Inquirer* under date of October 10th, as follows:

“There are six chapter houses at Cornell, representing the various college societies. One of them attracted our special interest. We believe these societies are capable of doing very much toward holding the students together, and inspiring them for better work while in college, and in attracting some of them back for a post-graduate course. College presidents and professors are wise in utilizing these societies for the best interests of the young men, and the good of the college as a whole. In this respect President Adams follows the example of Dr. M. B. Anderson. It is folly, pure and simple, to oppose these societies. It is not inappropriate in this connection, in view of the fears some have expressed, to remark that the writer never saw so large an attendance at the religious services, or the religious interest so marked as on this occasion. The religious atmosphere is much warmer and much more evangelical than in former years. This fact gives sincere joy to earnest Christians everywhere.”

Formality is one of the worst foes of the successful chapter meeting. Nine-tenths of the ills attributed to “dull subject” or “lack of interest” could be remedied by a different arrangement of the chairs or the discarding of set “papers.” Indeed, it may be stated almost as an axiom that for a chapter meeting speeches are always better than essays, and discussion is better than either. We have only to recall certain evenings when lounging before a blazing fireplace, or huddled among the rocks at the sea’s edge, we have forgotten time’s flight in talking of things nearest the heart, to realize how inspiring such discussions among friends may be. True, a part of the charm was due to place and circumstance, to the crackle of logs, the scent and sound of the sea, the sunset glow along the wet beaches; but the chief worth of those talks, the spontaneity, the suggestiveness, the self-revelation, all these are possible in the chapter room; provided always that we will relinquish the cut-and-dried essays which we seem so unwilling to give up.—*The Key.*

The college secret society has become a great and powerful factor in American colleges. To the uninitiated it may seem simply the result of a certain boyishness and a desire for companionship which will afford enlarged opportunities to decrease the size of the father’s bank account. But even to those outside the mystic circles, who give even passing notice to current events, it must be apparent that there is some good cause for

their existence; for, in spite of much adverse criticism, they have lived and flourished for 113 years, and numbered among their members are the most noted public men of our country. Baird, in his history of college fraternities, and Porter, in his latest article on the same subject, date the birth of these organizations back to 1776 at William and Mary College, Virginia. Then and there the Phi Beta Kappa, still alive and full of vigor, began its career. It was not, however, a college society in the modern sense of the word. The old societies, founded on a literary basis, could not live nowadays, and yet we of the younger generations think we have proof that the modern college society, with its main object the establishment of social intercourse and a closer personal friendship between students, does far more good in ways perhaps least credited or expected by an outsider than could possibly be done by an organization of a literary character. The writer has seen old men who at the most had but a few years to live, come back to their annual society reunions, and with tears in their eyes and voices trembling, tell that they owed their success in life to the influence and training of their college society life, and that the truest friends were those first met within the charmed circle of the college club. They were men whose mark in life had been made; whose word was truth itself. It must have been a great power that would drag them back, year after year, to testify to the worth of college secret societies.—*New York Press.*



Miscellany.

EDWARD THAYER BATES.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Great Ruler to call from us our brother in Phi Kappa Psi, Edward Thayer Bates, and

WHEREAS, We mourn his loss as a true and loyal brother, ever solicitous for the good of our beloved chapter and fraternity,

Resolved, That we express the deep sorrow which we feel in our loss, and that we also extend our sympathy to his sorrowing family.

Resolved, That the shield in our chapter hall be appropriately draped for a period of thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late brother; a copy be spread upon our fraternity minutes, and that copies be published in THE SHIELD of Phi Kappa Psi, the *College Campus*, and the *Daily Tribune-Republican*.

E. A. HERSPERGER,
J. L. PORTER,
H. M. BARRETT,

Committee.

REV. GEORGE D. GOTWALD.

WHEREAS, It has been the dispensation of an Omniscient Providence to summon our beloved and honored brother, the Rev. George D. Gotwald, and

WHEREAS, The fraternity at large, and Pennsylvania Epsilon especially, has suffered a great loss in the demise of our esteemed brother; and

WHEREAS, We desire to manifest our sense of loss in some befitting way, therefore, be it

Resolved, That while we, the members of the Pennsylvania Epsilon Chapter, of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, bow in humble submission to the Divine will, we deeply deplore the death of our beloved brother; and be it

Resolved, That in him we have lost one who was greatly instrumental in building up our chapter, and whose memory will ever be cherished; and be it

Resolved, That in reviewing his record, as a persevering and zealous worker for the welfare of our fraternity, we all the more realize the irreparable loss we have sustained by his untimely death; and be it

Resolved, That in him we have lost one whose place can never be filled; and be it

Resolved, That his example will ever be an inspiration to our chapter, and whose life exemplified the enduring principles of the fraternity; and be it

Resolved, That the badge of mourning be worn for thirty days, and that the chapter hall be draped in mourning for the remainder of the collegiate year; and be it

Resolved, That we extend our sincere sorrow and sympathy to the bereaved family in this sad hour of their affliction; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our lamented brother; that they be published in *THE SHIELD* and the *Pennsylvania College Monthly*; and be it further

Resolved, That we, his brothers, imitate his example, emulate him in fidelity to duty and in Christian character.

E. W. HENNAN,
M. L. BARSHINGER,
R. R. MILER,

Miller Hall, Gettysburg, Pa., Jan. 16, 1890.

Committee.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *ΔΥ Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with *THE SHIELD* for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

The same terms as above are hereby offered for *SHIELD* and *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. *THE SHIELD*'s files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

Nos. 2 of Vol. I.

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Nos. 6 and 7 of Vol. III. April, '87; Nov., '86.

William Raimond Baird, author of *American College Fraternities*, wishes the following copies of *THE SHIELD*: April and May, 1885. Can any one supply him with them?

We have on hand a large supply of broken volumes of *THE SHIELD*, the separate numbers of which may be of service in completing files. We shall be glad to respond to letters of inquiry on this subject, and shall take pleasure in filling orders for back numbers as far as possible.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following:

E. R. Meeks, Black's Station, Cal.
J. B. Lewis, Walworth, N. Y.
Sam. M. Clarkson, Huntsville, S. Car.
Fred. V. Loos, Holden, Mo.
L. V. Buskirk, Hot Springs, Ark.
George Gray, E. Springfield, N. Y.

D. E. Stuart, Corning, Iowa.
J. C. Needham, Ann Arbor, Mich.
L. E. Yeumans, Chicago, Ill.
W. H. Brown, Leavenworth, Kas.
Frank Exline, Ashland, Kas.

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REPORT OF THE PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 15, 1889.

To the Brothers of Phi Kappa Psi:

The past year has been marked by substantial signs of prosperity and progress in our beloved fraternity. Some chapters have, of course, met with greater success than others, and difficulties have been encountered, but, upon the whole, it is safe to say that Phi Kappa Psi has never been more prosperous than it is to-day. This prosperity is not of the fleeting kind, but gives promise that in future years the good results of the efforts of 1889, especially among the alumni, will be seen in the greater strengthening and extending of the fraternity. The number of chapters is the same as at the close of last year, 34.

The members of Iowa Delta, at Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa, surrendered their charter on October 21st. They had for some time been laboring under very discouraging circumstances. There was very little fraternity spirit in the college, and the boys became convinced that a prosperous chapter could not be sustained. Their action was in accordance with the desire of the Executive Council, and is in harmony with the determination of the Council not to tolerate chapters that are not a credit to the fraternity. As long as the present policy is continued, a chapter must either keep itself up to the standard of Phi Kappa Psi or surrender its charter. We are determined to have no chapters in a state of noxious desuetude.

While one chapter has been lost during the year, we have made an important addition in the establishment of Pennsylvania Kappa. This chapter has a fraternal spirit that is most heartily to be commended, and its members so impressed the Archon of the first district that, after a recent

visit, he wrote, "I met the Swarthmore boys, and can safely say that I never saw a finer chapter."

FRATERNITY LIFE IN CITIES.—In recent years, the principal source of anxiety has been several of our chapters in large cities. During the year just ended, there has been a decided improvement in this direction, but the fact remains that the question how to adjust fraternity life under the complex conditions found in a large city is one of the most serious problems that confronts the Greek world. The old idea was that the most suitable place for the location of an institution of learning was in the country. Our forefathers thought that the only place in which the young should attend college was in "God's first temples, the groves." Hence it was that many of the old institutions were founded in the wilderness. It is not necessary to question the wisdom of these noble men who were the first to found great institutions of learning on American soil, but we must awaken to a realization of present conditions. That the old idea is to some extent being abandoned, is clearly demonstrated. Two of the most recent examples of universities founded in large cities are the Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore, and the new Baptist University soon to be planted at Chicago. In one of these Phi Kappa Psi has successfully established a chapter, although it passed through several trying years when its life was almost despaired of. In the other, we confidently expect to re-establish Illinois Beta as soon as the college doors are opened.

It is certain that some of the leading universities of the future will be located in cities, and we can not close our eyes, and say that we will never put another chapter in a large city. Among our chapters are the splendid ones at Syracuse, Springfield, Columbus, Madison, Minneapolis and Lawrence, all large and growing cities, while nearly all of our chapters feel to some extent the influence of city life. The rapid growth of cities in the United States has furnished some of the most serious questions that have arisen since the founding of the republic, and they are questions that can not be dodged, but must be met. Some of the ablest and most patriotic men in this country are to-day giving their attention to these great questions, which relate not merely to theories of municipal government, but also to grave social problems which demand thoughtful consideration. Our cities will be saved by the deepest thought, the profoundest sympathy for mankind, and the noblest courage that Americans can command. We can not, dare not, say that the highest types of character can not exist in cities. Admit the hopeless depravity of cities, and you admit the perpetual degradation of the American people. Shall we, then, admit that our fires of fraternal love can not burn in cities, and shall we abandon our city chapters, and build our altars in the woods, where only the birds and

the trees and the flowers reign, and impure things dare not lift their heads? Never. Let us go where we find life, where immorality and virtue are battling, and let us bravely and thoughtfully face the difficulties of complex society, and success will crown our efforts. Let those who are acquainted with the difficulties attending the maintenance of a chapter in a great city describe them in our district meetings, in our grand arch councils, in our chapters, and wherever Phi Psis meet, and let us counsel together in deciding upon practical plans for establishing our city chapters upon foundations of adamant love.

FINANCES.—Brother Dun reports that, considering the extra tax for the catalogue which has been levied this year, he has little reason to complain of the manner in which the chapters have met their obligations. The management of the finances of our fraternity since the new constitution was adopted and Brother Dun elected treasurer has been a striking illustration of Phi Kappa Psi's progress. The next step, which it is hoped will be taken at an early date, is the introduction of a uniform system of book-keeping for the use of all the chapters.

THE SHIELD.—During the past year **THE SHIELD** has come to us as a regular and most welcome monthly visitor. It has been bright and newsy and many of the discussions have been inspiring. The value of **THE SHIELD** as a means of communication between the chapters and in keeping up the interest of alumni in the fraternity is very great, and the chapter or individual who neglects to assist in the support of **THE SHIELD** pursues a course into which no brother, who has the welfare of his fraternity at heart, should permit himself to fall. There has occasionally been agitation in favor of following in the footsteps of our rivals by making **THE SHIELD** a bi-monthly or quarterly, and some proposition in favor of a change in the way of less frequent publications of our journal will no doubt be made to the coming G. A. C. Brothers may honestly differ upon this matter, and advocates of all propositions should be heard, but the undersigned will be found among those who will earnestly oppose any plan the adoption of which would result in the chapters and alumni hearing from each other less frequently than we now do.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS.—The increased activity of our alumni during 1889 has been such as the fraternity never before enjoyed. It has filled the entire fraternity organization with enthusiasm. Alumni associations have been organized at Springfield, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, and Minneapolis, and these, with the older association at Chicago, have become important branches of the fraternity. It is confidently expected that a number of additional alumni associations will be organized during 1890. I desire to suggest the advisability of selecting some date, such as that of

the founding of Phi Kappa Psi, when all the alumni associations shall meet at their respective headquarters, and, in such manner as each shall decide, hold exercises which will result in increasing fraternity enthusiasm, and in bringing the alumni into closer relations with the undergraduates.

DISTRICT COUNCILS.—The District Councils held last April were very successful. Many important questions were considered, and, in addition to the cultivation of fraternal feeling, the acquisition of knowledge on fraternity topics, gained by the free interchange of opinion, can not fail to result in inestimable good to the fraternity. In providing for these councils, the wisdom of the framers of our new constitution is again demonstrated.

EXTENSION.—Under our present constitution, it is almost impossible to establish a new chapter. The establishment in recent years of several excellent chapters has not been due to failure of the old chapters to oppose the granting of petitions, but has been accomplished through the untiring efforts of Brother Wilson in persuading chapters to change their votes after they had voted in the negative. We do want to establish an autocratic form of government, but we should remember that a democracy does not require that every citizen shall be agreed before any action can be taken. Power is delegated to representatives, and it is not necessary that all the representatives shall be of one opinion, even when the greatest questions that can be considered by a legislative body are to be decided. We have recently witnessed the admission into the Union of four states by a majority vote of Congress. If the framers of the Constitution of the United States had provided that, in order to admit a new state into the Union, all the states must consent, it is extremely doubtful whether the Union could have existed. The opposition of one section to the admission of states in another section would have been just as bitter as it was in ante-bellum days, but, instead of the decision being entrusted to the wisdom of the representatives of the whole people, a single sovereign state could have said to Ohio or Louisiana, to Kansas or Texas, "Thou shalt not enter." So it is with our fraternity. The vote of a single chapter may defeat the will of all the rest.

The unanimity which is absolutely essential in the admission of a student to fraternal membership in a chapter is not, it seems to me, necessary in admitting a new chapter into the fraternity. In voting upon the admission of a student to a chapter, a brother must be governed largely by subjective reasons. The principal questions which confront him are, Can this man and I be *brothers*? Can his heart and mine beat in unison? Will it be agreeable for me to stand toward him in the closest and most sacred relations in which one person can stand toward another outside of the home? In voting upon the admission of a new chapter, entirely dif-

ferent questions are presented. There are certain facts upon which a chapter must decide, and the question to be voted upon is, In view of these facts, is it wise for the fraternity to establish a chapter in a certain college? While the relations between chapters should be cordial and in keeping with the fraternal spirit, it can not be expected that the relation of one artificial organization, formed by man, to another artificial organization can be the same as the relation of one brother, having heart, mind and soul to another brother. Let us, therefore, in considering this question of extension, remember that to be democratic does not mean to be unreasonable.

MUSIC AND THE SONG BOOK.—One of the most encouraging features of the year is the progress which has been made in that “most rapturous of all arts, the musical art.” The publication by John Church & Co., Cincinnati, of the Phi Kappa Psi waltzes, composed by Prof. Andrew J. Boex, is a significant event. Owing to the influence of Brother Daumont, the firm was induced to incur a heavy expense and to publish the waltzes without the fraternity advancing a dollar. If it had been necessary for the fraternity to advance the amount which the firm expended, the publication would have been impossible. It is gratifying to know, however, that the waltzes have become so popular that the publishers will not sustain any loss. The demand for the waltzes from prominent orchestras of the country has been such that Church & Co., have provided for the arrangement of the music for orchestral use, and the Phi Kappa Psi waltzes will, at an early date, be played by leading orchestras of New York and other cities. The significance of this publication lies in the hope that it gives that music will soon have a greater influence in our fraternity than it has ever had. The preparation of the song book is in the hands of a competent committee, and the chapters and individual members of the fraternity ought not to fail in assisting the committee to the full extent of their ability. A more definite report in regard to the song book will be presented at the G. A. C.

CATALOGUE.—The members of the fraternity are no doubt weary from much waiting for the catalogue, but they certainly can not be more anxious for its appearance than is the writer. The body of the book has been finished for some time so far as the committee is concerned, but the compilation of the indexes and appendix has been an undertaking which has required not only care and patience but considerable time. The work is progressing satisfactorily, and every effort will be made to have the catalogues ready for distribution by April 1. Corrections and additions may still be forwarded and will be inserted if possible.

THE GRAND ARCH COUNCIL.—On the second day of April, the next G. A. C. will meet at Chicago. It seems hardly necessary to speak of the importance of this council, or to urge the chapters to send their best representatives. Although the delegates ought to keep constantly in mind the wishes of the chapters which they represent, the chapters ought to be willing to allow their representatives to act upon their own judgments, formed after considering the facts and arguments at the Grand Arch Council. In other words, I do not believe that it is wise for a chapter, having only imperfect information upon a subject, to so instruct its delegates that they can not, in the light of better information, obtained by communion with delegates from numerous chapters, act according to what they believe to be the best interests of the fraternity. One of the most important duties which the G. A. C. will have to perform will be the election of a successor to our worthy secretary, Bro. W. C. Wilson, who for nearly four years so ably discharged the duties of the office. Important business engagements called him to Spokane Falls, Washington, early in November, and he writes that he could not again accept the position. I sincerely hope that the delegates will act with deliberation in this election, and choose a brother who has the time, taste and ability to discharge the important duties of the office in an entirely satisfactory manner.

OUR MEMBERSHIP.—Following are the members who were in attendance in the respective chapters during a whole or a part of the year ending December 15, 1889, the initiates for the year being indicated by italics, and the numerals referring to the classes:

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MISS. ALPHA.—Wm. F. Ashley, '89; Wm. M. Durr, '91; *Wm. Bullard*, '90; *E. F. Crawford*, '93; *W. P. Dobbins*, '93; *John A. Hammack*, '90; *W. W. Johns*, '93; Walter P. Mills, '89; Fred. Z. Mills, '91; *Samuel C. Masingale*, '91; Thos. F. Pettus, Jr., '92; Chauncey H. Stevens, '92; Charles Z. Stevens, '92; Chas. C. Swinney, '89; *Jas. Sharman*, '92; Wm. F. Tucker, '92; *Bryan G. Williams*, '92.

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OHIO ALPHA.—C. J. Brotherton, '91; Edmond B. Dillon, '90; *F. R. Foraker*, '93; *J. B. Foraker, Jr.*, '93; P. N. Jones, '90; W. C. Kennedy, '89; Wm. M. McCafferty, '89; F. H. McElroy, '92; *H. H. McKeegan*, '92; *J. W. Myers*, '92; Philip Phillips, Jr., '90; *E. T. Reed*, '93; W. P. Reed, '89; *C. W. Reynolds*, '93;

F. E. Ross, '91; *R. F. Rust*, '93; Ulysses G. Sanger, '90; H. M. Semans, '90; *F. C. Weaver*, '93; R. E. Westfall, '91.

OHIO BETA.—Chas. L. Bauer, '89; *Wm. A. Bauer*, '93; Frank N. Bouck, '89; Frank N. Boroff, '91; *Robert Cochran*, '93; *John M. Criley, Jr.*, '92; Augustus C. Ehrenfeld, '89; Irvine C. Falconer, '91; Fred. G. Gotwald, '88; Geo. B. Hiller, '90; Robt. H. Hiller, '89; Horace Keifer, '91; Harvey S. Lawrence, '92; Elmer S. Luckenbach, '92; *Henry F. McCracken*, '92; Allen S. Seiberling, '92; Francis Seiberling, '92; *Herbert J. Weaver*, '91; Lavergne A. Wiles, '92.

OHIO GAMMA.—*James M. Bailey*, '95; *Walter V. H. Black*, '95; John H. Bartram, '91; J. Graham Chalfant, '93; Irvine C. Falconer, '91; Frank D. Glover, '91; Ed J. Hudson, '92; Fred. L. Hanna, '92; *Chas. L. McIlwaine*, '93; L. Glen McGaw, '90; C. M. Voorhees, '92; Dana O. Weeks, '91.

OHIO DELTA.—Jesse H. Allen, '91; Robert K. Beach, '90; Geo. N. Cole, '91; George Perry Grimsley, '90; Henry Pomeroy Horton, '89; Ralph Newton Hubbard, '91; Edward D. Howard, '92; Edmund Brush Hatcher, '92; *Ernest Thomas Johnson*, '93; William C. Kendig, '92; Percy Martin, '92; *Gus. Trimble Peters*, '93; *Elmer Grant Rice*, '93; Harry Frank Miller, '89; George Herbert Mock, '91; Louis Frank Kieseewetter, '91.

INDIANA ALPHA.—*Harry H. Austin*, '92; Will H. Axtell, '89; Frank M. Beard, '92; *Chas. E. Crawford*, '93; *Zim. E. Dougan*, '93; *Julian B. Downey*, '91; *Walter E. Ervin*, '93; Wilbur A. Fisk, '89; *Fred. H. Fitch*, '92; *Howard A. Fitch*, '91; Francis O. Hester, '89; Chas. W. Hodell, '92; Chas. A. Houts, '91; Chas. P. Knight, '90; Frank L. Littleton, '91; Dan. T. McDougal, '90; Edwin G. McGriff, '92; John W. Miller, '89; Lemuel H. Murlin, '91; Will G. Neff, '91; *Edgar S. Porter*, '93; Chas. W. Roehl, '92; Grant Ross, '92; Fred. T. Rudy, '90; *Ernest L. Ruffner*, '93; Chas. C. Spencer, '89; *Oscar M. Stewart*, '92; *Joseph A. Sumwalt*, '93; Guy M. Walker, '90; Merl N. A. Walker, '91; *Chas. L. Watson*, '93; Nat. C. Wright, '92; Robb. E. Zaring, '91.

INDIANA BETA.—L. Van. Buskirk, '88; Wm. J. Boland, '92; William M. Butterworth, '92; Richard Beeson, '92; Ed. C. Burton, '92; *Richard T. Buchanan*, '93; Joseph B. Eads, '91; Frank Clinton Groninger, '91; Homer A. Guthrie, '93; *Linnaeus Hines*, '93; *Mark P. Helm*, '93; Samuel Frank Jones, '91; Wm. E. Jenkins, '91; Morris G. Moore, '90; *Chas. A. Mosemiller*, '90; J. Roscoe Mutz, '89; John E. Metcalf, '91; *Wm. F. Morris*, '92; Ed. C. O'Donnell, '90; Geo. F. Reed, '92; *Chas. D. Robinson*, '93; Chas. H. Springer, '91; Fred. W. Truscott, '91; *Sanford F. Peter*, '93; E. S. Robinson, '91.

INDIANA GAMMA.—*J. H. Armstrong*, '93; A. P. H. Bloomer, '91; *H. W. Crouse*, '91; W. J. Coleman, '91; A. E. Dole, '92; R. J. Eastman, '91; *H. H. Farrell*, '93; W. W. Goltra, '91; *Warren Goldsberry*, '92; J. R. Hanna, '89; *Win Von. Hutchings*, '93; Will P. Luther, '93; *G. C. Markle*, '90; J. S. McFaddin, '91; *Ed. McCulloch*, '93; Arba T. Perry, '92; *E. A. Patton*, '93; J. H. Perrin, '93.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

ILLINOIS ALPHA.—Chas. P. Abbey, '89; Frank A. Alabaster, '90; John L. Alabaster, '92; Harry Bucks, '92; Geo. W. Dixon, '89; Walter A. Dempsey, '91; Geo. E. Fawcett, '92; Chas. S. Graves, '89; James P. Grier, '90; Stephen J. Herben, '89; Wirt. E. Humphrey, '90; Alfred H. Henry, '91; Edward L.

Harvey, '63; Stewart A. Maltman, '91; Thos. C. Moulding, '91; J. Frank Oater, '93; Geo. W. Springer, '90; Daniel W. Terry, '92; Samuel Weir, '89; Elias W. Ward, '92; John Walz, '92; Joseph S. Yount, '93.

WISCONSIN ALPHA.—*J. H. Alward, Jr.*, '89; J. H. Bowman, '89; *Howard Brown*, '90; Thomas P. Carter, '92; Geo. B. Clementson, '92; Fred. I. Collins, '90; *Chas. H. Doyon*, '93; Jos. H. Dockery, '89; Francis W. Dockery, '91; Wm. E. Dockery, '91; Earl W. DeMoe, '91; Louis B. Flower, '92; Frank H. Jackman, '91; Wm. A. Jackson, '91; *Carl A. Johnson*, '91; Chas. M. Luling, '89; *A. J. Lunt*, '89; Ed. S. Main, '91; John H. Moss, '93; H. L. North, '89; Jos. H. Prior, '89; L. L. Prescott, '92; R. M. Richmond, '89; M. P. Richardson, '89; *R. Skiff Shelden*, '89; E. P. Sherry, '92; John Stephens, Jr., '89; C. H. Stoddard, '91; *Thomas S. Swope*, '93; B. L. Worden, '92; E. P. Worden, '92.

WISCONSIN GAMMA.—*James Binson*, '93; *S. M. Blackman*, '93; Ed. J. Breitzman, '92; *A. B. Carpenter*, '93; *Ingle Carpenter*, '93; E. P. Ellenson, '92; E. L. Rasey, '92; Lewis M. Reckhow, '91; Wilford C. Shipnes, '89; A. P. Smith, '92; S. M. Smith, '90; A. S. Thompson, '92; Burrell B. Treat, '91; Daniel Waite, '90.

IOWA ALPHA.—Robert Bronson, '90; James W. Bollinger, '88; W. W. Bronson, '92; Rewell B. Cook, '90; *Geo. C. Cook*, '92; Ed. E. Dorr, '87; *C. C. Harvey*, '93; Albert G. Hall, '90; Will S. Kenyon, '90; Edward R. Meek, '89; Frank R. Miller, '90; *Carl Myers*, '93; Frank Park, '89; Dillon L. Ross, '90; *Jas. H. Rothrock*, '90; *Carl B. Sweltzer*, '93; Carl A. Stutsman, '91; Carl Stutsman, '90; Wm. H. Stutsman, '87; H. W. Techentine, '90; Wm. Larabee, '93.

MINNESOTA BETA.—Henry P. Bailey, '90; Harley G. Bushnell, '92; *Chas. T. Conger*, '90; Martin B. Davidson, '91; Eugene H. Day, '90; H. D. Dickinson, '90; James Edward Erf, '90; John W. Graves, '92; Joseph Oscar Jorgens, '91; Christian P. Lowman, '91; Bert. Frank Lum, '90; Harry Otis Phillips, '90; Milton D. Purdy, '91; Geo. C. Sikes, '92; M. D. Snedecor, '91; Theo. G. Soares, '91; B. H. Timberlake, '91; *Floyd W. Triggs*, '93; Oscar L. Triggs, '89; Wm. R. Triggs, '90; *H. W. Wilson*, '93; H. M. Woodward, '90.

KANSAS ALPHA.—*Edgar Poe Allen*, Herbert Laurens Armstrong, Schuyler Colfax Brewster, Eugene Wilson Caldwell, *Bryce Crawford*, Howard Forest Deverell, Frank Paley Edson, Daniel Edward Esterley, Herbert Spencer Hadley, *Paul Hudson*, Charles Frederick Hutchings, Philip Howell Knowlton, *John Edward McPherson*, John Andrew Mushrush, *Will Wallace Overton*, Herbert Fuller Roberts, Ernest Frank Robinson, Joseph Mitchell Shellabarger, William Appleton Snow, Earle Lakin Swope, Alvin Lee Wilmoth, Charles Wesley Wright.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA.—A. H. Barnhisel, '92; W. A. Beasley, '92; Daniel H. Blake, '90; Stewart D. Briggs, '92; Fred. G. Burrows, '92; *Leslie M. Burwell*, '93; *Pember S. Castleman*, '93; Fred. G. Canney, '92; Samuel C. Evans, Jr., '89; *Robert L. Gruwell*, '93; W. A. Kennedy, '89; Claude T. Macfarlane, '91, special; *Olin W. Marsh*, '93; *James Blair Newell*, '93; Elsworth L. Rich, '93; V. Chesley Richards, '92; Harry C. Richardson, '89; Judson P. Ross, '90; Ulysses L. Rice, '89; *Henry R. Timm*, '93; *John R. Tregloan*, '92; Chris. H. Von Glahn, '90; *Clark B. Whittier*, '93; Edwin A. Wilcox, '90; Clarence M. Williams, '91, special; C. E. Winning, '89.

TRANSFERS.

NAMES.	Class.	Date of Transfer.	Residences.	Transferred to.	Transferred from.
A. P. Cummins, Jr.	'89	.....1889.	Smyrna, Delaware.....	Pa. Kappa.....	Pa. Iota.
F. B. Pyle	'89	.....1889.	London Grove, Pa.....	Pa. Kappa.....	Pa. Iota.
M. L. Clothier	'90	.....1889.	Wynnewood, Pa.....	Pa. Kappa.....	Pa. Iota.
Charles H. Ball	'92	...October, 1889.	LeRoy, N. Y.....	N. Y. Alpha.....	N. Y. Beta.
Fred. B. Ludlow	'89	...October, 1887.	Springfield, O.....	N. Y. Alpha.....	Ohio Beta.
Alfred B. McNeal	'92	...January, 1889.	Marion, O.....	N. Y. Alpha.....	Ohio Gamma.
James M. Wolfe	'92	...October, 1889.	Lewisburg, Pa.....	N. Y. Alpha.....	Pa. Gamma.
Robert B. Wilcox	'90	...April, 1888.	Chicago, Ill.....	N. Y. Alpha.....	Mich. Alpha.
Frank Lincoln Stevens	'91	December 12, 1889	Syracuse, N. Y.....	N. Y. Delta.....	N. Y. Beta.
K. M. Osborne	'91	...October 1, 1889.	Norfolk, Va.....	Va Alpha.....	Va. Gamma.
T. L. Trawick	'89	December 23, 1889	Alexandria, La.....	Va. Alpha.....	Va. Gamma.
Bernard Wolff	'89	...October 1, 1889.	Richmond, Va.....	Va. Alpha.....	Va. Gamma.
C. R. Watson	.....	.....1888.	Danville, Va.....	Va. Beta.....	Va. Gamma.
William M. Junkins	'87-'88	.....1889.	Christiansburg, Va.....	Va. Gamma.....	Va. Beta.
Charles H. Hoskins	'87	.....1888.	Meadville, Pa.....	Md. Alpha.....	Pa. Beta.
Jesse W. Layear	'89	.....1889.	New York City, N. Y..	Md. Alpha.....	Pa. Alpha.
Pearl N. Jones	'90	...April 23, 1889.	Catawba, O.....	Ohio Alpha.....	Ohio Beta.
Irvin C. Falconer	'91	...January 19, 1889.	Springfield, O.....	Ohio Gamma.....	Ohio Beta.
Grant G. Ross	'92	December 13, 1889	Mt. Ayr, Iowa.....	Ind. Alpha.....	Iowa Delta.
Frank Park	'89	December 3, 1887	Viola, Ill.....	Iowa Alpha.....	Ill. Alpha.

RESIGNED OR EXPELLED.

NAMES.	Date.	Class.	Still in Colleges Yes or No.	Residences.
*Howard L. Greenawald.....	May 13, 1889.....	.....1890.....	.....Yes.....	Steinsville, Pennsylvania.
†Horace Baker Forman.....	1889.....	.....1889.....	.....No.....	New York City, New York.
†William Wassoon Goltra.....	Mar. 9, 1889.....	.....1892.....	.....No.....	Crawfordsville, Indiana.
†Rihus Joseph Eastman.....	June 1, 1889.....	.....1891.....	.....No.....	Indianapolis, Indiana.
*E. L. Rasey.....	.....	.....1892.....	.....No.....	Beloit, Wisconsin.

*Resigned. †Expelled.

DEATHS.

NAMES.	Chapter.	Class.	Residence.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Cause of Death.	Occupation at time of Death.
Edward Thayer Bates...	Pa. Beta.....	.....1880.....	Meadville, Pa.....	Meadville, Pa.	Nov. 17, '89.	Rheumatism	Business.
Chas. H. Graff, M. D.....	Pa. Epsilon.....	.....1876.....	Duluth, Minn.....	Duluth, Minn.	Sept. 29, '89.	Typ. Fever.	Physician.
W. J. Sudler.....	Pa. Zeta.....	.....1871.....	Philadelphia, Pa.	Philadelphia..	Sept. 23, '89.	Consumption	Clerk.
J. Z. Bowman.....	Pa. Eta.....	.....1882.....	Myersdale, Pa.....	Chambersburg	Aug. 13, '89.	Pneumonia.	Physician.
James E. Biesecker.....	Pa. Eta.....	.....	Somerset, Pa.....	Florida.....	Dec. 6, '89.	Consumption	Physician.
Maj. J. B. Davis.....	N. Y. Epsilon.....	.....	Wahoo, Neb.....	Wahoo, Neb..	.....	.....	Editor.
Chas. H. Harvey.....	Va. Beta.....	.....	Richmond, Va.....	Richmond, Va	Dec. 8, '89.	.....	Student.
Richard I. Manning.....	S. C. Alpha.....	.....1868.....	Ft. Motie, S. C.	Ft. Motie, S. C.	.....1889.....	.....	Planter.
R. B. Lloyd.....	Ohio Alpha.....	.....1885.....	Portsmouth, O.....	Portsmouth, O.	April, 1889.	Consumption	Banker.
Chas. W. Roehl.....	Indiana Alpha.....	.....1892.....	Connersville, Ind.	Connersville..	Aug., 1889.	Typ. Fever.	.....
Edward W. Scranton.....	Ind. Gamma.....	.....1890.....	Chicago, Ill.....	Fairfield, Ill..	Feb., 1889.	Consumption	Law.
Clarence S. Galey.....	Ind. Gamma.....	.....1884.....	Chicago, Ill.....	Chicago, Ill..	Jan. 4, '89.	Suicide.....	Journalist.
Carl Schrow.....	Ill. Alpha.....	.....1868.....	Copenhagen, Den.	.....	.....	.....	.....

The statistical information usually published in the annual report, but omitted in this report, will appear in the catalogue. In conclusion, I desire, in behalf of the Executive Council, to thank the brothers of Phi Kappa Psi, and especially the Archons and Corresponding Secretaries, for their prompt and cordial co-operation. We still have a few victims of chronic procrastination, but the great majority of the brothers are prompt and efficient.

GEORGE SMART,
Acting Secretary.

Cleveland, Ohio, February 12, 1890.



The Areopagus.

THE GRAND ARCH COUNCIL.

I have been asked by the chairman of the committee on arrangements of the National Convention to inform the fraternity through the medium of *THE SHIELD*, what arrangements have been so far completed for the accommodation and entertainment of those who may be in attendance at the Grand Arch Council.

On the evening of February 10, pursuant to the call of the executive committee, the Chicago Alumni Association met at the Grand Pacific Hotel for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and hearing the reports of the various committees on the Grand Arch Council.

The committee on railroads reported that it had secured a rate of one and one-third fare from any part of the United States. Full fare to be paid coming, and upon the indorsement of the secretary of the convention, one-third fare to be paid returning.

Those attending the G. A. C. must insist on the ticket agent giving them the regular authorized receipt furnished him for such purpose, and not accept a receipt made out on a blank piece of clip paper unless they can get nothing else. They should mention the fact to the agent selling ticket for going trip that they expect a reduced rate for the return, and want such a certificate as will entitle them to such concession. No reduction will be allowed on certificates which show that the ticket for the going trip has been purchased more than three days before the opening of the meeting, nor will they be honored after three days after the close of the meeting.

The finance committee made an eminently satisfactory and substantial report.

Committee on speakers, invitations, etc., reported good progress, but are not yet prepared to announce any names.

Committee on arrangements has secured rates at the Grand Pacific Hotel, and it is stipulated that the ladies' ordinary, a beautiful and commodious room, shall be in exclusive control of the fraternity for convention purposes during the three days of the council. The hotel rates will

be announced later by a circular letter to each chapter. It is the earnest request of the Chicago Alumni Association that the visiting brothers make the Grand Pacific their stopping place during their stay in Chicago. It is magnificently appointed, and the rates secured will make it but a trifle more expensive than the second-class hotels of the city. It is believed that by making one hotel the headquarters for the entire convention it will insure a more successful convention, and promote an acquaintance among the brothers and a general heartiness and enjoyment of the three days, that might not otherwise be brought about.

The Committee on Entertainment has covered itself with glory. The Chicago Alumni Association will take the convention in charge the first night, by giving a theatre party which it will endeavor to make enjoyable to the utmost. Bro. George Dixon has asked to have charge of the boys for the second night of the convention, at which time he will throw open his palatial home on Michigan avenue for their reception. We beg to assure the fraternity that they will be most royally entertained on that occasion.

On the third and last night of the convention will occur the banquet at the Grand Pacific. A committee has been appointed to secure an original design for the menu cards, and the more substantial part of the banquet is also being tenderly cared for. It is hoped that this banquet will eclipse all previous ones which have been enjoyed by the fraternity.

The Chicago Alumni Association also hopes to secure the boys one afternoon for a tally-ho ride over the city, should the business of the convention allow the time.

In conclusion we beg to ask that the various chapters will notify the secretary of the Chicago Alumni Association how many men they will have in attendance at the convention. By giving this matter attention as *soon as possible* they will greatly aid the local committees and contribute accordingly to their own pleasure and accommodation.

We hope that this convention will be the largest and most enthusiastic ever held. Chicago alone is an attraction which one who breathes the air of progress and delights to behold mammoth achievements in the building of cities, can not afford to say he has not seen.

The local brothers will leave no stone unturned to contribute to your enjoyment, and we verily believe that when in the wee sma' hours of the morning of the 5th of April, the brothers turn their backs upon the metropolis of the west, that they will breathe from their souls the sentiment of the poet

"A sweeter thing, my life, for having known you."

LINCOLN M. COY, *Chairman.*

W. H. ROBINSON, *Secretary.*

Editorial.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt some weeks since of *The Echo*, the beautiful annual of Hobart College.

We present in this issue an innovation. The Executive Council, at its meeting last September, decided to publish the annual report for the year 1888-89 in THE SHIELD. A considerable demand had arisen among readers of THE SHIELD, who were alumni, for the matter contained in these reports, and partly for that reason the change of publication from pamphlet form was made.

The presentation of the report in this form, embodying all the essential features and omitting those matters which have made secrecy necessary heretofore, is in keeping with the progressive spirit of the fraternity, and we hope the experiment which the Council has made may meet with hearty endorsement.

The necessity for more homogeneity made the new constitution possible, and its operation has shown the need of more enlightenment in the matter of how the business of the fraternity is done. A desire to acquaint the fraternity fully with the policy pursued in the governing body, was the chief motive for the publication of the official report in THE SHIELD, where it could have wide circulation.

We hope that the plans of the Executive Council may

be more fully carried out in the future, and that a new era of general enlightenment has dawned upon our loved fraternity.

We shall be much disappointed if the Chicago G. A. C. does not eclipse any similar gathering of Phi Psis ever held. We wish to express the hope that brothers everywhere will make some personal sacrifices to be there. It warms the heart to see the old fellows and the young college boys come together on these rare occasions, and if $\Phi K \Psi$ could develop a few more regular convention-goers, the contagion would soon spread till our gatherings would become notable affairs to the entire Greek world.

It has been our rare good fortune to participate in the councils held at Columbus, Indianapolis, and Washington, at each of which there were probably one hundred and twenty-five in attendance, many of these, of course, not being delegates. We believe that it is not beyond the range of easy probability that there will be two hundred $\Phi \Psi s$ in Chicago in April, and we should not be surprised to see even a greater number.

We have had on hand for some weeks an exceedingly timely article from the pen of Brother Wilson, the practical author, if not the finisher, of our revised constitution, on the much-mooted question—extension.

We have always held that in a position such as ours, it should be the duty of an Editor to reflect the sentiment of the fraternity, and not become the advocate for any special policy of government, unless it should appear that from his vantage ground the Editor was in a position to see more clearly the proper relations of any given subject.

We have long held convictions on this matter of extension, and think our position a sound one, but inasmuch

as we are now upon the eve of a G. A. C., where the Editor as a delegate from his chapter, without instructions, may freely express his opinion, we deem it proper to refrain from such utterance as we think we are justified in making.

We hope that no chapter will send delegates to the G. A. C. with iron-clad instructions to favor this or oppose that. Such a policy is unbecoming an organization of college men, not to say brothers in the same fraternity. In the clear light and broader vision of a national gathering, a delegate may see the relations of the various subjects much more rationally than the chapter at home, which tied his hands with instructions, and yet he feels bound to represent his constituency according to a pre-arranged program.

The only sensible course to pursue is to elect your clearest-headed, most reasonable brother as delegate, freely discuss matters in which you are interested as a chapter, and let him have the chapter's feeling simply as a consensus of opinion, and not as binding orders. In electing delegates each chapter ought to have a decent respect for the opinion formed by other chapters of the character of the men making up the organization by the one or more specimen men sent to represent it.

You can not afford to send a man simply because he is more anxious to go than any one else, or to refrain from sending your best man because he says he is too busy. The world's work is done by the busy men, the men who can find no leisure, yet who nevertheless are able to take up one burden after another and carry the combined load with ease and grace.

Send your best man, and if he is also your busiest man, he no doubt will be all the more useful in G. A. C. for being of that sort.

We are led by the foregoing consideration of the characteristics of undergraduate delegates to speak of alumnus delegates. We fear that since the Indianapolis G. A. C. the chapters have grown careless about electing men who have gone forth from college to such positions, thinking that since the important business of setting the new order of things to going has been accomplished, there is no need for the older heads and the calmer counsels coming from them.

Elect an alumnus delegate and choose one who will agree to go. We hope no chapter in all $\phi K \psi$ will be compelled to acknowledge that they can not find such a one. Will not your failure to send an alumnus delegate argue powerfully in that direction?

Notice is received that because of reasons properly presented by the petitioner, Pa. *H* has honorably dismissed from the fraternity W. D. Happel, and all brothers are cautioned to hold no communication with said person hereafter on fraternity matters.

We are in receipt of several annual letters of which Ind. *A* seems to us to have presented the most excellent. If every old $\phi \psi$ could receive such missives each year as Ohio *A's* Grip or this annual letter of Ind. *A* we can not understand why his interest should not be at once rekindled.

We have often cherished as a fond dream of that impossible future, when our Castles in Spain shall have yielded rich revenue an itinerary of the chapters of $\phi K \psi$. If we ever are so happy as to make an extended tour of this description, we wonder in what shape we would find archives and accounts?

Many years ago we had peeps into the books and other

memoranda of several chapters, and the state of these was too shocking to merit or justify rational criticism.

We have fallen upon better times we know, but we wonder if there are not some officers in some chapters who plead, in extenuation of criminal carelessness or wilful neglect, that infamous deception of the enemy of men's souls: "I haven't time."

We once knew two officers of the Grand Chapter in the merry old times when the fraternity ran itself, without having a head, who found time to spark their girls seven nights in the week and Sunday afternoons meanwhile, and yet could find no time to answer important correspondence six months past due.

For nearly every issue of the past two years we have had more demands upon our space than we could gratify, and we have published one fourth more matter than our contract requires of us, entailing just that ratio of additional expense, because we felt the value of the matter offered and desired to keep up to the standard in each succeeding issue.

We have been compelled to omit one department from the paper regularly, and in this issue drop one temporarily, but we do not purpose to continue these omissions if chapter correspondents will kindly remember injunctions given in recent personal communications from the editor, and study the art of concise statement.

We have had a fine array of chapter letters this year, but many of them could have been condensed by the original writer into half their volume, without sacrificing either grace of style or fullness of incident. The editor can not, if he would, rewrite letters. Correspondents should endeavor to more readily follow his wishes.

Chapter Letters.

ALLEGHENY.

It is with a great deal of satisfaction that the scribe-elect of Pennsylvania Beta begins his work as correspondent to *THE SHIELD*; for throughout his connection with the chapter this office has seemed to him the most desirable in the fraternity; and feeling, as he does, all the pride of a loyal Phi Psi in that best of fraternity journals, it is not strange that he should have looked forward to his election to this position as "a consummation devoutly to be wished." It is to be hoped that during his term of office Pennsylvania Beta will maintain her record of regular correspondence.

The Russian grip seems to have gradually loosened his hold on Allegheny students, and attendance at recitations is beginning to assume its normal proportions. The Phi Psi house did its share toward entertaining the distinguished foreigner, but our hospitality was so shamefully abused that we shall not invite him to visit us again.

Bro. W. S. Twining, who has been at the head of the Civil Engineering Department in the college, left us February 1st for Boston, where he has accepted a position with the Thompson-Houston Electric Co. On Wednesday evening, the 29th, we had a little "gathering of the faithful" to bid him a formal good-bye, at which several of our alumni were present, and considering that the occasion was of such a nature, we had a good old "Phi Psi time." After a very enjoyable banquet, Bro. S. B. Smith, '86, as toastmaster, called for responses to appropriate sentiments, and the happy remarks of the boys closed with a touch of sadness as they referred to the cause of our assembling together. Brother Twining has been one of us ever since we came into the chapter house, and will be greatly missed from our home circle. We are glad to have with us Bro. J. W. Silliman, who takes Brother Twining's place in the Civil Engineering Department, and who will preserve our dignity in the chapter house and represent us among the "powers that be."

The Allegheny Literary Society held her annual declamation contest on Thursday evening, January 30th, and the Phi Psis foreclosed their annual mortgage of three years standing on the prize. It is true that in this particular instance we had three chances out of four, three of the four contestants being Phi Psis, but we took the poorest chance and "got there."

The "senior difficulty" which has come to be a stereotyped phrase among Alleghenians, is now a thing of the past, and will doubtless be regarded by

future generations as one of the phenomena of college politics. Prior to last Friday there were in the class two sets of officers, each of which solemnly maintained that they had been regularly and legally elected. This state of affairs has existed since early in the fall term, and it became more and more evident that unless something was done to settle the matters the class day exercises might not pass off as smoothly as could be desired. The class of '90 at Allegheny has always been equal to emergencies no matter how trying, and this time was no exception. A meeting was held last Friday morning and everything was arranged with characteristic senior dignity. With regard to the result I will merely say that it was eminently satisfactory to the Phi Psis.

The ladies of Mu Chapter, Kappa Alpha Theta, gave a reception to their friends on Friday evening, January 31st, at Huling's Hall, in honor of the twentieth birthday of the fraternity. The ladies entertained their guests in the most elegant manner, and the reception was one of those particularly pleasant occasions of a pleasant college life which one delights to remember.

Bro. B. E. Williamson passed through the city one day last month, and was met at the train by some of the boys. Brother Williamson is a pharmacist in Buffalo.

Bro. Will Hill, ex-'89, was married last term at Westford, Pennsylvania, to Miss Mildred Collins.

At our chapter meeting Saturday night, Bro. John Porter was elected delegate to the G. A. C. Several of the boys are anxious to go, and if matters financial can be arranged, will surely be there to swell the chorus and "whooper-up" for "old Phi Psi."

H. M. BARRETT.

Meadville, Pennsylvania, February 13, 1890.

BUCKNELL

All the members of Pennsylvania Gamma returned promptly after the Christmas recess, and reported having a good time. The term opened with a number of new students in the several departments of the university.

Owing to the unfavorable weather, work has been suspended upon our gymnasium. The contractor, however, hopes to have it completed by June. With this building and our new Laboratory, College Hill will soon be crowned with massive structures. Under the efficient managership of Bro. W. C. Gretzinger the university is making rapid advancement in all its departments. Hon. William Bucknell recently gave the institution \$60,000, making his donations for '89 about \$90,000. With such financial backing Bucknell must forge to the front.

The College Glee Club, with Brother Gretzinger as manager, begins a series of entertainments this week, commencing at Danville. Engagements have been made to appear at Bloomsburg, Williamsport and other cities. $\Phi \Psi$ is represented on the club by Brothers Holmes and Blackwood.

Gamma was recently honored with a visit from Bro. H. L. Calder, Esq., formerly Archon of this district. His interest in fraternity matters remain una-

bated. Brother Calder is one of the rising young lawyers of Harrisburg, and already has an enviable reputation as a pleader at the bar of justice.

On the 29th of January the members of Gamma, at the invitation of Bro. J. Cressinger, our baby brother, visited his elegant home in Sunbury to partake of a banquet in honor of Φ K Ψ . A most delightful evening was spent. After the sumptuous repast, speeches were in order. The following is a clipping from a local paper:

ANOTHER ARCH STREET PARTY.

The following students at Bucknell University, members of Gamma Chapter—Phi Kappa Psi—were banqueted at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Cressinger, on Arch street, in this city, on Wednesday evening: W. C. Gretzinger, '89; J. H. Haslam, '90; Robert Holmes, '91; A. L. Moore, '91; Paul Tustin, '91; Homer Dowlin, '92; Charles Koonce, '92; Howard Sneck, '93; John Blackwood, '93; Bert Hallowell, W. Scotney, F. Macleduff, Rev. F. H. Shermer.

After dinner speeches were made. Dr. Cressinger was called upon to say a few words on the subject, "What influence secret societies have upon young men." The Dr. is so well versed in secret societies that his remarks were splendid and heartily applauded. He was followed by Mr. Tustin, who said that Rome in all her glory knew not the thrilling joy of a game of college foot ball. Mr. Tustin soared high in imagination and was quite eloquent. Rev. F. H. Shermer was called on and spoke pleasingly on "The moral influence of societies." His remarks were heartily received. Mr. Gretzinger in his remarks grew eloquent on the work Bucknell University is doing, and said if he had a son he should be educated at Bucknell University. Mr. Gretzinger is financial manager at Bucknell and knew whereof he spoke. Mr. Haslam in his remarks expressed satisfaction and pleasure at being the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cressinger upon the invitation of their son, John B. Cressinger, who is a member of Phi Kappa Psi.

We returned on the late train to Lewisburg charmed with Dr. and Mrs. Cressinger's hospitality.

Last Saturday, the 8th, the athletic association elected officers for the ensuing year. Your correspondent was elected president, and Brother Cressinger, secretary. Efforts will be made to put a strong base ball team in the field.

Nothing of importance has occurred here in fraternity circles. Φ Ψ maintains her conservative policy and is in a most prosperous condition. Your scribe yields the pen to Brother Cressinger, our newly elected B. G., and Brother Editor you may depend on him for a monthly communication from Gamma.

A. LINCOLN MOORE.

Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, February 12, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

With this letter the duties of the present incumbent as correspondent begin. Owing to some inadvertence a letter from our chapter failed to appear in the last number of THE SHIELD; whether it was through neglect of our former correspondent or the one *ex-officio* is debatable.

All the boys have returned and resumed the wonted routine of college life; and if appearances indicate anything, they returned in high spirits after the festivities of a three weeks holiday vacation. Amusing are the stories the brothers relate of the sieges laid and conquests (?) they accomplished over their rivals; but, indeed, some of the boys present persuasive arguments—in the form of photos—to sustain themselves in their statements. Our "twins" vow

they never had such a "great" time since their existence, and further say, "We would not have missed our vacation for five hundred dollars!" Some of us happen to know why.

Usually the winter term is comparatively dull and full of monotony; but not so this term, Since our return, our diversions have not been a few, and our social proclivities have had full sway. The Misses McKnight and Valentine, daughters respectively of our President and ex-President, have been entertaining the following ladies: The Misses Baum and Miller, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Clark, Trappe, Md.; Miss Motter, Taneytown, Md.; and Miss Green, Washington, D. C. The Phi Psis had a part in contributing towards their entertainment and pleasure. On the 29th ult., we had a Phi Psi jaunting party into the wildness of the wilderness. Our number was fourteen, and our destination was an old hostelry secluded in the mountains, surrounded by many traditions and fanciful allegories. It is the favorite place for such outings; not because of its architectural splendor, for, that indeed, it is not extravagant in this retreat, being more attractive by reason of its romantic situation than inviting condition of the material surroundings—a place well calculated to satisfy the desire for change from conventionalism. Our object was to have a festive meal prepared at this place; and the scenic environments surely afford opportunity, to those so inclined, to feast on things romantic (be careful how you interpret) according to each one's taste or caprice. The music furnished us, tallow dips for light, and the entire ancestral (apparently) paraphernalia were in perfect keeping with "ye ancient" place; indeed the whole place is characterized by novelty. On the evening of the 3d inst., the jaunt was supplemented by a reception tendered in honor of the ladies in our chapter house. Miss McKnight and Miss Baum received, and our thanks are due them for the skillfully arranged order of things. The ladies appeared in evening dress and graced the hall as it never was before. They made every Phi Psi proud of their presence—pretty, vivacious, brilliant in conversation and *repartee*—in short just the girls for a college man. Social intercourse, games, refreshments, private theatricals, coupled with college songs, went towards making it a most enjoyable affair. Souvenirs of cards, inscribed with mystic characters known only to the happy owner, will call up many pleasing memories of the Phi Psi reception. The fates were propitious on both occasions and nothing occurred to mar our felicity, and the ladies pronounced the jaunt and coterie a consummate success—not in so many words, for unto whom of masculine persuasion is it given to do justice to a woman's sense of approbation?—not to say anything of the negative. It is sufficient to say that space would not permit even to venture a part of the bundle of superlatives they showered upon us in their expression of appreciation of the events.

In reviewing the course of our chapter during the past term, we have reason to feel highly gratified at our prosperity and maintainment of our usual high standard of merit. We secured every man we sought; the "lambs" are the proudest men in college, by reason of their fraternity connection, fully appreciating that they gained everything when they accepted the invitation to identify themselves with Phi Kappa Psi.

But, in the midst of the reflection of our success attended with the work of last term and the pleasant reveries of the past vacation, we are most seriously stricken in the death of our beloved brother, George D. Gotwald. Our hearts are filled with an inexpressible sense of loss as we fully realize the meaning of his death to us, and words fail to pay a proper tribute to his memory. The best we can do is to lay a wreath of fraternal love on his grave, and endeavor to exemplify, as he did, the principles of our fraternity, thereby being imitators of his cherished memory. The work he did for our chapter is beyond measure. It was largely through his untiring efforts that we secured our beautiful chapter house—the pride of Pennsylvania Epsilon. He was the embodiment of a model Phi Psi—the reflection of the principles which the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity inculcates. His memory will ever be a stimulus to our chapter. Long live his memory!! Brother Duncan and mother, and Brothers Charles and William have the sympathy of the chapter in their bereavement, occasioned by the death of a brother and son.

There has been much sickness in college this term, influenced by *la grippe*. It resulted in the death of a junior, Mr. Harry A. Ervine, a hard student and accomplished scholar. This is the first death in college for twenty-five years.

The seniors have handed in their essays on "The Lady of the Lake" in competition for the prize.

All our buildings are now heated by steam. We availed ourselves of the opportunity to have it put into our hall while the plant was under construction. Bro. Daniel R. Miller encouraged the step taken by us with a handsome subscription, nearly paying the whole cost.

An athletic association has been formed in college. Unsolicited honors have been heaped upon us in the election of Brother Fager, President, and Brother Whitmer, Sr., Assistant Manager.

Apropos of the extension agitation, personal knowledge of reasonable certainty, will warrant me to venture the intelligence that a petition is forthcoming from a leading university of New England, giving Phi Kappa Psi an opportunity to render a verdict, pro or con, whether she is willing to extend her dominion in that direction.

Bro. George B. Baker, Indiana Alpha, while stopping over to make connection of trains, took advantage of the limited time to make himself known to us. Glad to meet the brother, and should be pleased to have all brothers visiting the battle-field to call upon us. We are always ready to welcome you.

M. L. BARSHINGER.

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1890.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

When the January SHIELD arrived, we looked in vain for the chapter letter which we had written. Upon thinking about it, concluded that it had not arrived on time, and so was consigned to the editor's waste basket. However, there is some consolation in knowing that we are not the only one whose maiden productions have found their way into that omnivorous receptacle.

We have a new brother who has not yet been introduced to the fraternity

at large, Bro. J. Henry Baker, of Pomona, Maryland. Brother Baker is a fine fellow in every respect, and makes the fourth of a quartette of freshmen who seem destined to develop into the strongest and most valuable fraternity men in their class.

Brother Illingworth, '91, is managing the College Glee Club. At present they are giving concerts in the neighboring towns and cities, but at Easter expect to take a two weeks trip to Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and intermediate towns. We are represented on the glee club by Brothers Hynson and Greer. The remainder of us do a little singing at times for our own amusement. I am careful to say for our own amusement, because I never heard of anybody else who was either amused or entertained by our performances.

During the past month three members of Pennsylvania Eta have favored us with a visit. We were glad to have an opportunity of meeting Brothers Herman, Seyfert and Turner, and hope that they, as well as any other $\Phi \Psi$ who happen around this way, will drop down upon us often.

The class of '91 is hard at work upon their annual. We are represented upon the editorial board by Brothers Boyer and Mills.

The letter of California Alpha seemed to stir up our boys as to the advantages of living together in a chapter house. And now the prevailing sentiment seems to be that buy or rent, somehow or other we must be gotten together.

W. PERRY EVELAND.

Carlisle, Pennsylvania, February 12, 1890.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

Pennsylvania Eta is very sorry that she had no letter in the last number of *THE SHIELD*, but owing to the fact that our regular correspondent was contending with *la grippe*, as also were quite a number of the other brothers, the matter was not attended to.

Bro. Francis Schroeder, who left us early in December on an extended trip west, reports that he had a very nice time, especially at Cincinnati. He regrets very much that he was unable to attend the banquet given by the alumni association of that city. He called on a number of the brothers afterwards.

The glee club have made their second trip and it has proved much more successful than their former one, both financially and in the manner in which they were entertained. The boys are enthusiastic in their praise, especially of Hagerstown and Chambersburg, where they exchanged yells with the college girls. They are all well supplied with souvenirs in the way of fans, bric-a-brac and colds.

Brother Reinoehl accompanied the club on its trip, and on its return was elected Assistant Business Manager.

Franklin and Marshall again is laying plans by which she will yet become more popular in the city. The boys contemplate giving a hop early in March, and I dare say it would prove a very successful and enjoyable affair.

The junior class has adopted a new mode of choosing the contestants in their oratorical contest. Heretofore the contestants were elected by the class,

but very often the best speakers would not get on because they were not popular in the class. This year they will be chosen by a committee of three from the faculty, three contestants will be selected from each society.

The glee club has offered a prize to the best debater in the two literary societies, two debaters to be chosen from each society.

Adjutant General Hastings has been chosen by the Gœthean Literary Society to deliver the biennial oration during commencement week.

A number of the brothers, fearing that they would become debilitated from want of exercise, since foot-ball practice is over, have applied themselves diligently to dancing, and to the great satisfaction of their friends in the city they are progressing rapidly.

Brothers Schaffner and McLean have been elected by the senior class to the offices of Salutatorian and Speaker, respectively, for their class day exercises.

Bro. Joseph H. Apple, who has been absent for several weeks on account of the illness of his brother, has again returned to college.

ANSON T. HARROLD.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania, February 10, 1890.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

New York Beta to THE SHIELD and brothers in $\Phi K \Psi$, greeting: Since our last letter to THE SHIELD, $\Phi K \Psi$ in Syracuse University has been pursuing her even path of study and prosperity. It gives me pleasure to present to the fraternity at large Brothers Hartel and Wheatley, our latest initiates to the mysterious movements of the $\Phi \Psi$ goat. Brother Hartel is a classical student in the class of '92. Always a faithful student, he is now a most loyal $\Phi K \Psi$, and already a great favorite among the boys. Brother Wheatley is one of the few of his class who stand close to one hundred per cent. in examinations.

Brother Stephens, who spent a part of last term at Hobart, is with us again, and it is needless to say to those who have met him, that the return of this quiet philosopher was a great joy to all.

Brother Statham, of '90, was recently elected president of his class.

Brother Burritt, who was never second anywhere, is the first $\Phi \Psi$ of the class of '89 to test the sweets of the honeymoon and to experience the satisfaction of running a domestic establishment of his own. He was married January 22d. The day of the solemn event found us all, mentally, in New York congratulating the hero, recounting pleasant stories connected with his brilliant college course, and wishing him a hearty God-speed for the future.

Recently an attempt was made by the Pi chapter of $\Psi \Upsilon$ to rob us of our interest in the *University News*, founded as a bi-weekly two years ago by the $\Psi \Upsilon$ chapter. Soon after the paper was started, as it was going down hill, $\Phi K \Psi$ was made equal partner. The result was a greatly increased circulation and a flourishing weekly paper. The two chapters alternately held the offices, thus giving the chapter in office all control over business. This term $\Psi \Upsilon$ attempted

to seize the paper. We served an injunction on Ψ Υ, after which they sought our attorney, offering to buy our interest in the *News* as well as to pay the cost of the injunction issued by us. As the paper was deeply in debt, a settlement was made by their assuming all debts and giving bonds for security.

Brother Mowry, of Hobart, and Brother Bartholomew, of our own chapter, recently favored us with a fraternal visit.

M. BURLINGAME.

Syracuse, New York, February 13th, 1890.

HOBART.

The responsibilities of an office, even of the most humble character, are never clearly comprehended until one actually enters upon the performance of them. Just here a man is brought face to face with the reality that upon the character of his work depends the success or failure of the enterprise he represents. He suddenly becomes aware that the reputation of others is laid upon his shoulders, that they look to him for a just representation of their work, and for all these responsibilities he must expect to give a just account. Does not the character of a chapter depend upon the faithfulness with which her correspondent, her representative discharges his duties? For the time of his office he is the chapter's delegate at the convention of loyal Φ Ψ chapters held monthly within the pages of *THE SHIELD*. Let him show his credentials and express to the world of Φ Κ Ψ the thoughts and actions of his chapter, her successes and attainments, her reverses and disappointments. Of such a nature must be the feelings of every correspondent, and thanks to the teaching of his chapter, the present representative of New York Delta forms no exception to this feeling of duty. But to a few facts that have occurred since our last appearance in *THE SHIELD*.

With but one exception all the brothers wandered from the pale of Hobart's walls to enjoy the holiday season either at home or with friends in the more immediate neighborhood of the college. The attractions of home and mother, intensified no doubt in some cases by cupid's bewitching power, rendered it quite impossible for some of our freshmen to realize their duties in the class room until a decidedly later period. It would be quite unnecessary to say that all excuses for dereliction of duty savored with the popular words, *la grippe*. The enthusiasm, however, burning within their young breasts for their beloved chapter, and their loyal efforts for her rapid progress toward the position she deserves among the other fraternities at Hobart, are living proofs that the true and eternal principles of Φ Ψ have become very members of their character.

The recent election has wisely laid a part of the offices upon our young brothers. Inasmuch as they will form a large majority in the chapter next year, it becomes the duty of the present seniors to impart to them as much practical instruction in the management of affairs as possible. Thus the steady progress of our chapter suffers no impediment from ignorance or inexperience. The general outline of work looking toward objects, the materialization of which will require no little time and patience, is thus clearly comprehended by our

successors. This plan of work has given New York Delta the degree of success she now enjoys, and the chapter firmly believes it to be the only plan that will build up a young chapter in the very midst of old and strongly established opponents.

The condition of the college in general is much better than it has been for the past two years. A larger freshman class than Hobart has sheltered for many years has given a fresh impetus to the enthusiasm of the student body. But this has been merely a secondary cause of the awakening of college spirit so long asleep. The students have seen the error and feel in some degree, the disastrous consequences of a general state of disinterestedness in college matters. They have seen that college politics is a most essential element in college enthusiasm. Better by far were the rows and hotly contested elections at college meetings, than the disgusting lethargy of a student body that has prevented that body from attending college meetings at all. We are happy to sing the dirge over the corpse of college indifference, and with hopeful hearts trust never to experience again the dark days of '88 and '89.

Sigma Phi has broken ground, not far from the college buildings, for the erection of a very pretty chapter house. A rumor reaches us to the effect that Kappa Alpha has bought a very desirable piece of property within a half block of the proposed Sigma Phi house. A chapter house for New York Delta has long been a cherished scheme among us. While we can not hope for the realization of our plans in this direction at once, yet we are confident that our alumni will help our faithful efforts, so that not many years hence our successors will be comfortably seated around the fireside of a $\Phi \Psi$ home.

EDWARD G. NUGENT.

Geneva, New York, February 11, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

To THE SHIELD and all sister chapters of the fraternity, Virginia Alpha sends greeting. Our silence up to this time has not proceeded from lack of interest or inactivity, but from pressure of work and unavoidable circumstances. We, however, console ourselves with the thought and adage, "Better late than never," offer this explanation by way of apology, and promise to do better in the future.

Although seemingly inactive and wanting in interest on account of our omission to communicate with THE SHIELD. we have not really been idle, as a visit to the chapter would prove. We began this session with six men, since then we have augmented our number to twelve. Brother Osborne has been transplanted from Virginia Gamma to this chapter, and is here continuing his academic studies with his wonted zeal. The names of our new initiates are, W. E. Peters, of University of Virginia; W. M. Fletcher, Springville, Va.; John Wilson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; E. F. Hill, Chicago, Ill.; R. G. Reese, Staunton, Va. They are all good men, and we have been fortunate in securing men both in regard to quality and quantity, and the fact that they were zealously "rushed"

by other fraternities, testifies sufficiently in itself that they are also men of merit and ability.

Brother Woods, who took his M. A. last year, the highest degree conferred here, is now applying for his M. D. and will in all probability get it. Brother Blair will also probably receive his degree of Bachelor of Law.

Brother Greenway, who stands six feet-five in his stockings, and is splendidly proportioned, has distinguished himself upon the foot-ball field, and is now training for the base ball team, upon which beyond a doubt he will get, and it must be added also that our herculean brother's efforts have not all been expended upon athletics, for his studies have received no small share.

Brothers Jones, Boyle and Stevens are busily engaged with their academic studies.

Of the new men, Brothers Fletcher and Wilson are taking law; Brother Reese, medicine, and Brothers Peters and Hill are in the academic department.

Brother Davis visited the chapter before his departure for New Orleans, where he is now engaged in the practice of medicine.

Brothers Ingle and Blackford, who left here two years ago, were also here. The former is now at the Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va.; while the latter is continuing his medical studies in Europe, and his visit here was on the eve of his departure.

Brothers Lanier and Willoughby, of Johns Hopkins, and Dashiell, of Lehigh, were also here in November.

All of our last year's alumni are doing extremely well. Those who have professions are meeting with success. With cordial greetings to the Phi Psis everywhere.

WILLIAM MEADE FLETCHER.

University of Virginia, February 11, 1890.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD, Virginia Gamma has added another conquest to her list, and we introduce with pleasure Bro. David Dunlop, of Petersburg. The boys were present in full force at his initiation, and we were also glad to have with us Prof. Thornton and Bro. H. R. Thornton, who is now located here. The meeting was unusually pleasant and we wish Gamma many pleasant returns after we have left her.

We are sorry to note that Brother Graham has not returned from his home since his visit there Christmas. We hear that he is detained on account of sickness, but hope to have him with us soon.

Thursday evening, January 16th, Brother Saunders gave the chapter a most enjoyable evening at the hospitable residence of Mrs. Baskerville. It is needless to say that owing to former experiences on like occasions, all the boys were there and ravenous long before the supper hour arrived. "Dick" Reynolds being particularly noticeable in the latter respect. But, alas, "Joy comes not alone," for on the next day chancing to walk in that direction we came upon a

newly made grave and over it a tombstone bearing this inscription: "*Here lies Nat Martin and ten pounds of chicken salad. The last oyster of the thirteenth instalment choked him, and Holladay's singing finished him.*" Knowing that it was very improbable that Nat had died a natural death we resurrected him, and he is now as well and ugly as ever.

At the usual time we elected the following officers: Holladay, Rawlings, Stuart, Bresee, McIlwaine, Martin and Graham.

Cabell Flournoy has gone from Farmville to Christiansburg to practice law. We wish him all success.

We are glad to hear that all our boys at other institutions are doing well and hope to hear more of them. With regards to fraternity and SHIELD.

W. S. STUART.

Hampden-Sidney, Virginia, February 10, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Your brothers at the South Carolina University are as happy and contented as ever, and are all busy studying up for the February examinations.

Brother Dudley varied the monotony of things the other night by shouting "fresh." In two minutes the whole campus was astir with naughty, half-dressed boys, who immediately commenced work upon a few rough looking country fellows who had dropped in on us just after Xmas. The most amusing sight, however, was a tussle between Brother Legarè's "fresh," whom Brother McBryde had kept locked up in his presidential parlor for fear he might be "freshed," but who was caught upon leaving there, and a raw countryman from Edisto Island; these two gentlemen were placed in the center of a mob of howling, hissing students, given a blacking brush each, and told to go at it. They scowled; gritted their teeth, looked daggers at each other, closed in, and fell with Brother Legarè's "fresh" on top as victor and blacker of the occasion.

Brother Grimkè distinguished himself as a pleader in moot court the other night, and was highly complimented on his efforts, which, to say the least of it, was highly commendable in every particular.

Brother Lowndes' "Junior Athletic Association" has met with great success, and Brother Lowndes leads the members in each of the different athletic exercises.

Brother Legarè won in the declaimers contest between the two societies on December 18th, and at the last meeting of the Clariosophic Society he was elected Chief Marshal for the coming June exercises.

We are fast approaching the February examinations and news is not as plentiful as we hope it will be before our next letter reaches THE SHIELD, when we trust to have a very interesting *melange* to present.

GEORGE S. LEGARÈ.

Columbia, South Carolina, January 15, 1890.

OHIO WESLEYAN.

On account of the prevailing illness at the first of the term, we were not able to write a letter in time for the last SHIELD, but we hope to be able to let that not occur again. About the same number of students are in this term as were in last, something over 900.

We were very sorry to lose Bro. P. N. Jones this term. He came to us from Ohio Beta last spring term. He was a fine man in every respect, and a member of the senior class. We had hoped to have him graduate here, but instead of that he has gone to Columbus, and is taking a course in Electrical Engineering in the Ohio State University.

We wish to announce to the fraternity our latest, Bro. Will H. Webster, of Dayton, Ohio. Brother Webster is a strong, energetic man, and as he has been in school some time, will need no coaching when the time for action arrives. Brother Jones leaving us and the initiation of Brother Webster, makes the number of brothers in the chapter the same as last term, 16.

We were very much pleased to receive a large group picture of California Alpha. They are as fine looking a set of boys as could be gotten together, and if looks do not deceive, are a credit to the fraternity.

On the 13th of January, Inauguration Day, nine of our chapter were in Columbus, and were very nicely entertained by the Ohio Delta boys. We wish to thank them one and all for their kindness and hospitality shown on that day. Again on the 31st the Columbus chapter gave a party in their elegant new hall. The other fraternities in school were represented by two of their members, thus affording an excellent opportunity for knowing each other better, and making the tie which binds the fraternities together stronger. Four of our chapter enjoyed the festivities of the occasion, and all were of the opinion that no evening could have been better spent.

The 30th day of January was the Day of Prayer for colleges, and since then the revivals have continued with greater success than ever before.

This last week we were visited by Brothers Henderson, '88, Reed and McCafferty, '89, and Dillon, formerly of '90. The visit was one to be long remembered. It always does the chapter a great deal of good to have the alumni come back and show us how they did it when they were in school. Experienced advice is what we need.

At last we can safely say that a *Bijou* will be published this year. The committee is hard at work and promises to make this one the best ever published.

The annual Pan-Hellenic banquet will be held in the old chapel building the 28th of February. This will be the first for the $\Sigma A E$, and of course they will be initiated into the mysteries of Pan-Hellenism. The full details will be in the next letter. Ohio Alpha sends greeting to all loyal Phi Psis.

J. B. FORAKER, JR.

Delaware, Ohio, February 12, 1890.

WITTENBERG COLLEGE.

Nothing of very particular moment has transpired in our circles or at our college since our last communication, but the quiet, steady progress that indicates prosperity has been present with us.

The State Oratorical Contest will occur here on the 20th of this month. Quite a large number of visitors will be present, and we expect to have the honor of entertaining some of our brethren from other points.

On the 21st, the annual reunion of District VI, of Beta Theta Pi, will be held under the auspices of Alpha Gamma Chapter.

Lawn tennis will have a boom at Wittenberg this season. An association is being formed and grounds will be equipped with a view to entering the proposed State Inter-Collegiate Association. The Phi Psi Club and its members, being the most experienced, will be an important factor.

Bro. Charles Bauer is the leader of Springfield's new Grand Orchestra, of which Bro. Will Bauer is 1st violinist and Bro. Robert Cochran is clarionetist.

Ohio Beta mourns with her bereaved Bro. Fred. Gotwald over the death of Bro. George D. Gotwald. No more distinctively Phi Psi family ever existed than that of Dr. L. A. Gotwald. He and his four sons have all been distinguished members of Phi Kappa Psi.

We had the pleasure of meeting Bro. Clinton Hoover, of Wapakoneta, who was here to attend the funeral of his dear friend and college chum.

Bro. Ben. Hiller, '90, was selected as delegate to the State Y. M. C. A. Convention, to be held at Zanesville on the 14th inst.

Ohio Beta expects to send a full delegation to the G. A. C.

HENRY F. MCCrackEN.

Springfield, Ohio, February 12, 1890.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Delta formally opened her new hall in the Monpprny Block, Friday evening, January 31st. A departure from the usual order at the Ohio State University was made by inviting two members from each of the other fraternities represented at the university. It is the first time in the history of the university that other fraternity men have been invited into the halls of any of the chapters; but the success of the venture leads us to hope that it will not be long before the Pan-Hellenic banquet will be one of the yearly events of the college. From eight o'clock until half past nine was spent in welcoming our guests, and after that dancing was the order of the evening.

Ices were served between dances, and about midnight an elaborate supper was served. The entertainment was a success in every particular; all seemed bent on having a good time, and all succeeded. Mrs. George M. Peters, Mrs. Alexis Cope and Mrs. Joseph Garaghty chaperoned the party, and to their kindness was due much of the pleasure of the evening. About sixty guests were present, including many of the resident members of the fraternity, the representatives from the other frats., and Bros. J. B. Foraker, Jr., Brotherton, Weaver and McElroy, of Ohio Alpha.

Commencing with the 23d of January, Dr. Bascom, of Williams College, delivered a course of six lectures on sociological subjects, before the students of the university, that were much appreciated. The plan of the Board of Trustees in providing a course of lectures gives the students an opportunity of hearing some of the best scholars of the country.

The local oratorical contest, which occurred on the 24th of last month, was the best in the history of the university.

Since our last letter we have had visits from Bro. Art. Hartwell, '88, of Pittsburgh; Brother Smart and Bro. Charles Weybrecht, 'ex-90, better known as "fatty."

Bro. Mort. S. Browne, ex-'91, has accepted a position with the "Edison Electric Light Co.," of this place.

With best wishes for the success of THE SHIELD and all Φ Ψ s, I will ring off.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, February 15, 1890.

DE PAUW.

Since our last letter we have initiated another brother into Phi Kappa Psi—Bro. J. A. Sumwalt, '93, whom we take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity at large. Brother Sumwalt is president of the freshman class.

We are almost settled in our chapter house. All the house is now furnished except the parlors and halls, but we are now furnishing these and expect to have the house well fitted by the time of our next letter. We are becoming proud of our home. It just suits our wants. It is centrally located in one of the best locations in the city, being midway between the university buildings and the business portion of the city. It is well finished inside and out, and is built with all the modern improvements, hot and cold water, bath and wash rooms, and everything suited towards making an ideal modern chapter house. This is the first chapter house and at present the only one here. So in the eyes of many here it is an experiment, but we don't so consider it but now look at it as a settled thing.

The fourth annual Pan-Hellenic banquet of the DePauw Association occurs February 14th. Brother McDougal, '90, is president of the association this year. A very fine programme and bill-of-fare have been prepared, and we all expect a splendid time.

The junior class gave its annual oratorical performance on the night of the 7th inst. After the entertainment their class held a class banquet. The speakers in this performance are selected by the faculty. There are only six selected and these are selected according to their manuscripts and class grades. Brother Littleton was one of the six that were chosen.

Bro. F. A. Cleveland has returned to school and will graduate this year, and Brother Austin is not in this term on account of his eyes.

We are going to the G. A. C. with as large a force of us as possible. We are now taking up in our literary programmes the discussion of matters pertaining to the general fraternity. We have read with pleasure the papers in THE

SHIELD pertaining to fraternity extension, and hope for the appearance of more soon, as they are very essential at this time.

Our orchestra is practicing and expects to be ready soon to render another musicale.

It is rumored that we are to have another fraternity here before long.

O. M. STEWART.

Greencastle, Indiana, February 11, 1890.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The term of our last correspondent has expired, and with many misgivings we take up the pen, and beg that the readers of THE SHIELD will bear with us while we try to give the news from Indiana Beta.

The chapter is in a fine condition now, and so far this year, in the matter of "spiking," there has been nothing that our chapter of $\Phi \Psi$ has wanted but what she has received. It is with pleasure that we introduce to the brothers everywhere, Bro. Robert M. Vanatta, of Rensselear, Indiana. In getting this brother, we met in open field four other frats. and maintained a campaign of four months, and consequently we feel proud of our victory. Now and then a man is initiated into some of the other fraternities here, all of which show a disposition to work.

Brothers Truscott, of the junior, and Robinson, of the sophomore class, are back this term. Brother Morris is out of college, probably for good. It is with sorrow that we part with him, but if it must be, it must. Brother Buskirk is with us again after an absence of six weeks. The number of our men is now seventeen, and the number is about large enough.

We have begun to talk of the coming G. A. C. in April, and will endeavor to send a delegation there.

Since our last letter, we have purchased a new piano which is "a beauty and a joy forever." And in consequence of this addition to our hall, the brothers have organized an orchestra, consisting of Brothers Teter, piano; Robinson, cornet; Moore, violin, and Truscott, guitar.

Friday night, the 7th inst., occurred the event of the season in local $\Phi \Psi$ circles. It was a reception given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. Duff Wilson, of Vincennes, Indiana. Mr. Wilson was recently married and being in the city a week, the brothers, in the company of their ladies, assembled in the hall and passed the evening very pleasantly in conversation, dancing, etc. This will probably be followed by another social in the not far distant future.

January 20th, Foundation Day, was observed with appropriate exercises and a discourse, delivered by Dean Banta, of the law school.

The lovers of the great national game, base ball, have organized and are hoping for an early spring so that they may get to practicing. Enthusiasts expect the club, then formed, to excel any college team in this part of the state. Athletics, in general, is receiving quite an impulse here by the furnishing of a gymnasium. The latest improved appliances are being purchased by the managing committee, and it is to be complete in every respect.

We would be pleased to see more chapter letters in *THE SHIELD*, and feel that some of the chapters do not take the interest in the matter that it deserves. We confess to be remiss, crave pardon, and pledge ourselves to greater efforts hereafter. With best wishes to all.

LINNÆUS HINES.

Bloomington, Indiana, February 12, 1890.

WABASH COLLEGE.

It is with great pleasure that Indiana Gamma adds two more names to the still swelling list of Phi Kappa Psi. Since our last letter we have initiated two new men, Brother Eastman, '90, and Brother Grubb, '92. In them we now introduce to the fraternity at large two valuable acquisitions. Brother Eastman is now president of the senior class, the largest which has ever graduated at Wabash. He was business manager of last year's junior annual, *The Miatennon*, and there we see manifestations of his ability. He stands well in his classes, and we regret that he can not be with us longer than this year. Brother Grubb, who took the impress of the "goat" at the same time, is also a man of ability, ranks very high in his classes and is, taken altogether, just our stamp of a man.

This year's junior class will also present an annual to the students and to the public. The work has been commenced, all the officers elected, and no doubt they will succeed in holding up a good picture of Wabash and her student life. We say "no doubt," since our Brother Crouse is business manager, and with his ability and business tact will conduct the enterprise in a manner worthy of a Phi Kappa Psi—a credit to her and to the junior class of Wabash.

We have been adding much to the beauty of our hall—recently we purchased five fine oil paintings. They are all large and excellent productions, and help much to render our walls attractive. We have also had our large fraternity picture (of the chapter) framed. Bro. Prof. Osborne, Wabash, sat with us in the group, and we think a good deal of it. Our hall is gradually assuming the shape and proportions we would have it, and we are proud of it. One would scarcely realize the contrast between what it was a few months since and what it now is.

We are also now giving especial attention to our literary work, and hope to reap good results. A thriving interest in such exercises is bound to make us better and broader students.

In regard to the G. A. C. we have been talking a good deal of late. We expect to send several delegates. It is a great event, and an opportunity of which we should avail ourselves, if it is possible. The meetings and associations which one forms must necessarily be a help to him, and a pleasure for one to look back upon in after life. Then, beyond that, and occupying a more prominent place, it will stir up the fraternity in us, and make us more earnest and enthusiastic workers. We hope for and look forward to a good attendance, especially from the three chapters of Indiana.

There seems to be a good deal of diversity of opinion in regard to our method of granting charters—some favoring a conservative and others a freer

method. Our present manner is of necessity a slow one, and it seems we should find some more expedient way, though a conservative policy would doubtless be the best and most secure in any case. We are anxious to see what the G. A. C. will do with the problem.

Brother Charles Knight was with us last week, but only remained a short time.

Great preparations are going on in college for the 22d. It looks as though there would be war between the freshmen and the sophs. We imagine that we already hear the din of battle. Best wishes for all.

J. H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, February 12, 1890.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter, the annual Pan-Hellenic banquet has taken place, and despite the fact that the correspondent for the *Δ Υ Quarterly* predicted the utter failure of the affair, we had a glorious time. His prediction was too premature, for the banquet was the most successful and enjoyable one that has been held. The fraternities represented were Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Sigma, and Phi Delta Theta.

The boys began to assemble about 8 o'clock, Friday evening, February 7th, in the spacious parlors of the Avenue House. As each Greek entered he was compelled to run the gauntlet of a Pan-Hellenic initiation. About nine o'clock the entire company repaired to the ladies ordinary, with appetites whetted by their violent muscular exertion, and ready to do justice to dainty viands—the best the Avenue House could produce. When the last course of the menu was reached, the following programme was carried out;

Opening Address.....	Wm. D. Fullerton, Β Θ ΙΙ, Toastmaster.
Song.....	The Way We Have at Northwestern.
Toast—Greek Confederation.....	Wirt E. Humphrey, Φ Κ Ψ.
Fraternity Song.....	Φ Δ Θ.
Vocal Solo.....	S. A. Maltman, Φ Κ Ψ.
Toast—Sister States.....	Louis F. Strawn, Φ Κ Σ.
Fraternity Song.....	Σ Χ.
Toast—Hellenic Games.....	Chas. M. Starkweather, Β Θ ΙΙ.
Song.....	Φ Κ Σ.
Toast—Helots.....	Jesse J. Shuman, Σ Χ.
Fraternity Song.....	Β Θ ΙΙ.
Violin Solo.....	Ralph Smith, Φ Κ Σ.
Toast—Oligarchy.....	George O. Barnes, Φ Δ Θ.
Fraternity Song.....	Φ Κ Ψ.
Mandolin Solo.....	Fred. J. Tourtelotte, Σ Χ.

Then the boys let themselves loose on college songs, and later started for the fem. sem. to serenade the young ladies, having decided the affair a success, and voting to have a similar banquet one year hence.

On January 30th, Bro. Robert J. Burdette delivered a lecture on "The Rise

and Fall of the Mustache," at the First Congregational Church, Evanston. Most of the boys improved the opportunity of hearing him and making his acquaintance. He showed his loyalty to the fraternity by wearing his pin in a very conspicuous position, and also by digressing somewhat from the course of his lecture to make an allusion to $\Phi \Psi$. This startling way of putting $\Phi \Psi$ to the front pleased our boys beyond measure, and in a manner disconcerted some of our rivals who were not expecting it. After the lecture we had the pleasure of meeting him in the hall as a chapter. The hour we spent in pleasant social intercourse will long be remembered by each brother present. Brother Burdette completely won our affections and will always find a warm welcome awaiting him from Illinois Alpha.

The college chapel has recently undergone a complete renovation. Owing to the kindness of some unknown friends, it has been fitted up with opera chairs of the latest pattern and new furniture for the rostrum. All that is wanting to make it complete is a new musical instrument to take the place of the old organ that has for years belched forth all manner of sounds, discordant and melodious. We have recently heard that this longed for addition is to be furnished through the generosity of an alumnus of the institution. We now attend devotional exercises in a chapel of which we may well be proud, and which is more in keeping with the dignity of the university.

We received a visit at the hall, recently, from Bro. George B. Deuel, N. Y. Beta, who is now instructor in mathematics in preparatory school. We enjoyed his call immensely and hope he may come to see us often.

The sight of untouched text-books and the fear of flunking in to-morrow's recitations brings this letter to a hasty close.

• STEWART A. MALTMAN.

Evanston, Illinois, February 13, 1889.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since our last letter we have been greatly bereaved, and it is with a hand trembling with emotion that I write these short lines. We had a kitten—a gray, soft-whiskered, alto-voiced kitten. Her sweet and gentle ways made her beloved by all, but, alas, the place that knew her once knows her no more. Where is she gone? Ah, who can tell? It is this terrible uncertainty that is wearing our lives out.

Very little of interest has occurred since our last letter. The terrible influenza has come and gone, leaving us "somewhat disfigured but still in the ring."

Five of our members will shortly make the tour of the Northwest with the "University of Wisconsin Banjo Club." Among other engagements are those at La Crosse, Winona, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Chicago, Ann Arbor and Detroit. The University of Wisconsin Glee Club will accompany the banjo club on the trip. The date is not yet fully settled, but the clubs will probably be in Chicago during the Grand Arch Council.

There will be no inter-fraternity party this year. The jealousy of the non-

fraternity has influenced the President to his decision for which we are duly sorry.

The local chapter of Sigma Chi has just rented a chapter house, a convenience which they have not hitherto possessed. It is not, however, in location, looks, or general appointment a dangerous rival to our own,

Scarcity of news must bring this letter to a speedy close. I hope to shake hands with the fraternity at the convention.

GEORGE B. CLEMENTSON.

Madison, Wisconsin, February 6, 1890.

BELOIT COLLEGE.

Some little time has elapsed since a letter from Wisconsin Gamma has appeared in *THE SHIELD*. Perhaps we have been a little dilatory in the past, but will strive to make amends in the future.

The opening of the present school year found us very pleasantly situated in a handsome chapter house, the first of its kind at Beloit. Our college life in the house has proved much more pleasant than before its advent, and it would almost seem like a species of martyrdom to be obliged to return to the old system. The chapter house has also proven to be quite an annoyance to the other fraternities.

Since our last letter we have held another initiation, and desire to present Bro. James Benson to the members of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. Brother Benson was rushed hard by both the other fraternities but wisely decided to cast his lot with Phi Psi. We now have four members from '93; Beta Theta Pi, two, and Sigma Chi, one.

This probably completes the list of our initiates from the freshman class, and we have good reason to congratulate ourselves and also the fraternity—for the success of the fraternity depends upon the success of its chapters—upon the success that has crowned our efforts.

We already have several senior preps. "on the string" and our prospects for next year are most flattering.

We regret to announce that Bro. L. M. Reckhow, while playing foot-ball, met with a serious accident and has been obliged to resign his position as captain of the college base ball team. Brother Reckhow hopes, however, to recover by spring so as to play on the nine at least.

The college has received an great impetus in the shape of an additional two hundred thousand dollars endowment, a new twenty-five thousand dollar academy is nearly completed, and as soon as spring opens work will be commenced on a new Science Hall that will cost at least one hundred thousand dollars; a chapel will also be erected at the same time. With the addition of these much needed buildings, Beloit has a brilliant future opening before her, and will be, as she ever has been, second to none in the West.

In closing, Wisconsin Gamma wishes to express her hearty appreciation of Brother Van Cleve's able management of the fraternity organ.

A. P. SMITH.

Beloit, Wisconsin, February 8, 1890.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Though the voice of Iowa Alpha has not been heard through the columns of THE SHIELD for some time, yet it gives her new correspondent pleasure to inform the fraternity at large that we are still pursuing our prosperous career with the brightest hopes for the future. Despite the fact that our number of active members is lessened by the absence of Brothers Kenyon and Bonson, we may still lay claim to a large share of fortune and success. Bro. Will Kenyon will read law this term at home, returning next term to graduate. Brother "Susan" will likewise join the ranks of the Blackstoneites, and to this end will read law in the office of Judge Adams, returning next fall to enter the Law Department.

Recognizing the fact that a fraternal spirit is best fostered by close association and social enjoyment, we have inaugurated a series of informal dances at our halls, the sole object being to have "a good time." We find they meet with great success and favor, not entirely confined to ourselves; no,—for the ladies themselves speak very highly of them and, pardon the vanity of the expression, eagerly await their recurrence. It may not be amiss here to anticipate a little by making mention of a farewell party and dance we hope soon to give in honor of Bro. Bert Hull, who graduates from the school of Medicine here in March. We devoutly hope the omens may be propitious and that the event will be crowned with the unmeasured praise of all. But of this more in our next. For the present we must close, with best wishes for Phi Kappa Psi and her unparalleled prosperity.

CARL A. STUTSMAN.

Iowa City, Iowa, February 10, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

With trembling hand we take up the pen laid down by our illustrious predecessor. Both of Minnesota Beta's B. G.'s have gained prominence during their term of office and afterward, hence the delicacy of the position is apparent. A failure so to do proves nothing against the office.

We mourn the loss of Brother Snedcor, '91, one of $\Phi \Psi$'s staunchest friends. We hated to give him up, but Bro. C. B. Brown, '87, Minnesota Alpha, is having such great success with *The Salida Mail*, of which he is editor, that he must have help; so he comes all the way from Salida, Colorado, tells Sned. about it, how much he wants him, etc., so we look in vain for Sned.'s cheery countenance and hope *The Mail* may double in circulation.

By the time this number of THE SHIELD will have reached us we shall be busy with our term examinations. We have all had our struggle with the prevailing malady, but all are on foot again, though Brothers Lommler and Jargens seem to have not wholly recovered. We hope, however, to meet the new term, and the last for four of our members, with a hearty welcome.

We heartily agree with Brother Holden that discussion of fraternity policy should not be indulged in by chapter correspondents to THE SHIELD. It seems to be the source of much aggravation to the editors of some fraternity magazines that THE SHIELD is not gotten up with a view to better please people who are

not Phi Psis. Certainly nothing would please these same editors better than to find an elaborate discussion of the policy we are pursuing in our chapter letters, unless, perchance, it should be the same information in the editorial columns. But general principles, at any rate, may properly be discussed in both editorials and chapter letters.

In regard to our method of granting charters we should not hesitate to admit what is already known, namely, that we are conservative. Any method that might grant charters where a strong, healthy, aggressive chapter could not be permanently maintained, should not receive consideration. Let us do nothing to endanger our high standing among national fraternities or our own internal tranquility. It is doubtful if a better system than our present one could be found. Let us frame it, improve it and retain it.

As to extension we would say, conservatism is not inaction. Where? wherever the rank of the institution is high and good material available. Should some peculiar circumstance of certain high rank colleges prevent us from entering them? Do other conservative fraternities keep away from these colleges because of these peculiar circumstances, or withdraw because of weak chapters there? "Shall we enter blank institutions?" seems to me the proper way to put the question. To dismiss a petition by saying we are conservative and opposed to extension, means to fall into a lethargy from which we will arouse only to see ourselves standing still while our rivals are advancing. The thought that we are conservative should ever be with us when considering a petition, but the statement that we are opposed to extension is of itself no argument.

It is with due observance of the caution given by Brother Gretzinger, regarding alumni letters, that we mention our success in the second preliminary oratorical contest. A large number of students filled the court room of the law building, January 20th, to hear twenty-three speakers who were to be judged on delivery. Five of the twenty-three were $\Phi \Psi$ s, and when Brother Linn, who presided, read off the names of the successful ten, after the decision of the judges had been handed in, it was found that the first three were $\Phi \Psi$ s, Brother Soares being first, and Brother Purdy third. Of the twenty-seven who will be allowed to compete in the third preliminary, which occurs February 20th, seven are $\Phi \Psi$'s. Of those whose chances for getting on the first contest are best, the first two are $\Phi \Psi$'s, Brother Purdy being second. Brother Soares will doubtless take so high a rank in the third preliminary that he, too, will be of the final ten.

A great stir has been made in fraternity circles about the establishment of Phi Epsilon Chapter of the $\Delta \kappa \epsilon$ Fraternity at the University of Minnesota. Much abuse has been heaped upon President Northrop and Professors Judson and MacLean, who are the $\Phi \kappa \epsilon$ members of the faculty. It chanced to fall to the writer's lot to prepare the first article that was printed about the breaking up of the $\Phi \Delta \theta$ chapter here, and later to make a pretty thorough investigation of the facts concerning the establishment of a Delta chapter, including long interviews with Prof. Conway McMillan, president of this Phi Delta Theta Province; members of the local chapter, and the three members of the faculty referred to above. And while refraining from any comment upon the appearance of members of one fraternity going over to another, it certainly is only

just to President Northrop and the two professors to say that there seems to be no evidence to establish any such charges as have been made against them. Moreover, President Northrop's public denial of any connection with the affair ought to be respected. It looks like there was a certain jealousy of Δ K E's good name, back of a good many articles published in fraternity magazines and daily papers.

With a hope that none of our brothers are annoyed with as much falling plastering, hammering, and all the confusion attending the repair of a damaged building, as the students in the University of Minnesota are at present, we close, not, however, before extending our best wishes to all Phi Psis.

B. H. TIMBERLAKE,

Minneapolis, Minnesota, February 10, 1890.

KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY.

Kansas Alpha still holds the even tenor of her way with little of any exciting nature to record. The year has been one of the usual successes in capturing new men, as we have secured every man asked. It is with pleasure that I introduce to the fraternity at large, Bros. E. P. Allen, J. E. McPherson, W. W. Overton, Bryce Crawford and Paul Hudson. The most of these men were eagerly sought after by the other fraternities, but they preferred the "pink and lavender" of Φ K Ψ. They have all become imbued with the true Phi Psi spirit and make good loyal members.

We have also pledged Mr. James Owens, and expect soon to initiate C. A. Peabody, one of our pledged members, who has just entered school, having been kept out by sickness during the fall term. It was with much regret that we learned that Bro. Frank Edson could not return after the holidays. He is in business with his father in Topeka, Kansas. We hope to see Frank back again next year.

The Phi Psis, with their usual energy, organized a University Lecture Course early in the fall, and everything points to a successful outcome of the venture. The excellence of the course is attested by the following attractions which it comprises, named in the order of their dates: Robert McIntire, George W. Cable, Howard Quartette Concert Co., Nye and Riley, and George Kennan. The Howard Quartette Concert Co. appear here to-night and a full house is assured.

Bro. Robert J. Burdette stopped over in Lawrence to-day on his way to Baldwin, where he lectures to-night in the Baker University Lecture Course. He is the same jovial, good-hearted Phi Psi that he was when here five years ago. We regretted very much that he could not stop with us longer.

The local oratorical contest which occurs next Friday evening, the 24th, is the topic of interest at present. Of the six contestants, Kansas Alpha is represented by the undersigned. The contest promises to be a close one, as the majority of the speakers are experienced orators. The state contest will be held here on the 14th of February.

The "Phi Kappa Psi waltzes," of which we have received some numbers, are very much liked. All honor is due the Cincinnati Alumni Association in getting them out.

THE SHIELD is to be congratulated on maintaining its usual high standard. We add our voices to those of the brothers who desire it to continue as a monthly.

JNO. A. MUSHRUSH,

Lawrence, Kansas, January 17, 1890.

Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA B.

Dr. James P. Hassler, M. D., '58, has had quite a busy time this term caring for the boys who have been afflicted with la grippe.

Joseph Shippen, '59, has delivered several valuable lectures in Meadville lately.

Rev. James R. Mills, D. D., is Presiding Elder of the Barnesville District, East Ohio Conference of the M. E. Church.

Rev. Noble G. Miller, D. D., is Presiding Elder of the McKeesport District, Pittsburgh Conference of the M. E. Church.

Dr. W. H. McKelvy is not only a leading physician of Pittsburgh, but is also very prominently connected with its educational interests, being President of the Central Board of Education.

Rev. A. C. Johnson, D. D., Presiding Elder of the Blairsville District of the M. E. Church, has been sadly afflicted lately. A few days before Christmas he was suddenly taken insane after a short illness, and serious doubts are entertained as to his recovery. At present he is at Bedford Springs, Pa., and Pa. Beta, as well as the whole fraternity, hopes for his ultimate recovery.

Pa. Beta is well represented in the ministry in and around Pittsburgh, as the following will show: Rev. B. F. Beazell, Oakland Church; Rev. Corwin V. Wilson, Emory Church; Rev. N. G. Miller, Wilkensburg; Rev. H. B. Mansell, McKeesport; Rev. G. W. Johnson, Northeast and Evangelical; Rev. G. H. Huffman, Saltsburg; Rev. A. C. Johnson, Blairsville.

PENNSYLVANIA I.

'63, Brother David Spencer, D. D., preached his farewell sermon as pastor of Pennsylvania Ave. Baptist Church, Scranton, on Sunday, Dec. 15th. He goes from Scranton to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Racine, Wis. For nearly ten years Dr. Spencer has been the baptist power of Northeastern Pa..

'66. Bro. Prof. Freeman Loomis, Ph. D., represented Bucknell University at the annual convention of the college association of the Middle States and Maryland, which was held at the University of Pennsylvania.

'71. Bro. Rev. G. M. Phillips is meeting with great success in his management of the State Normal School at West Chester, Pa. 640 students have been enrolled during the year; nearly 500 have registered this term, about 150 more than in any other similar institution in the State. In buildings, faculty and grand results this school deserves to be classed among the leading normals of the U. S.

'74. At the semi-annual meeting of the Philadelphia Conference of Baptist Ministers held Dec. 5th, Rev. B. MacMakin, of Bryn Mawr, was unanimously elected president.

'87. Bro. Howard L. Calder, Esq.; formerly Archon of this district, recently visited us. Howard still has the interest of $\Phi \Psi$ at heart, and especially Pennsylvania Gamma's. He is one of the rising young lawyers of Harrisburg.

'88. Prof. Harry Kelly, of Central Pennsylvania College, recently visited his home in Lewisburg.

'89. Bro. J. M. Wolfe spent the holidays at his home in Lewisburg.

'89. Bro. C. A. Walker, since he has entered Crozer Theological Seminary has occasionally preached at Baltimore Avenue Mission.

'90. Bro. T. J. Purdy, formerly of '90, has gone to Aztec, New Mexico, for the improvement of his health.

'90. Bro. J. Harry Haslam, recently supplied the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church of Sunbury, Pa.

'91. A. Lincoln Moore, supplied the pulpit of the Broad Street Baptist Church, Philadelphia, on January 26th.

Bro. W. C. Gretzinger, by virtue of his position as business manager of the University, has been selected as the editor of the catalogue of Bucknell University for 1890.

Brother Gretzinger has also established a prize in the Bucknell Academy for the best essay on a scientific subject, open to all students in the fourth form.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

Bro. E. O. Shakespeare, M. D., '67, accompanied by his wife, attended the reception given by the Alumni Association of Philadelphia, to President Reed, at the Hotel Bellevue, Jan. 10,

Bro. S. E. Snively, M. D., '69, is the popular chaplain of one of the leading educational institutions of Philadelphia.

Bro. W. L. McDowell, '63, is pastor of St. James M. E. Church at Olney, one of the flourishing suburbs of Philadelphia.

Bro. Lorenzo D. Bulette, is esteemed one of the rising members of the Philadelphia Bar.

Bro. J. H. Shakespeare, '67, is practicing law in Philadelphia.

Bro. J. Emory Price, '74, has accepted a call to the pastorate of St. James, one of the largest and most flourishing M. E. Churches of New York City.

Bro. J. Y. Dobbins, D. D., cares for the spiritual wants of the membership of State Street Church, the wealthiest M. E. Church in Trenton, N. J.

Bro. F. T. Gross, '77, is one of the younger legal lights of the City of Brotherly Love.

Bro. Jas. M. Green, '77, as an educator is meeting with marked success as principal of the State Model School at Trenton, N. J.

Bro. W. W. Wharton, '89, is about to engage in the banking business in Philadelphia.

Bro. C. W. Ashley, '88, is secretary of the Pittsburg Alumni Association.

Brothers Meloy and Eckles spent part of their Christmas holidays with their friends in Carlisle.

NEW YORK 4.

Brother Gatley, after a long and severe illness is again with us. Brother Gatley's standing in the senior class previous to his illness was of such a creditable grade that he will not encounter any difficulty in going on with his class. The return of "Gat's" smiling face has gladdened us all.

Misfortune never comes single-handed. La grippe has left Brother McPherson with a very serious throat difficulty. The damp and uneven temperature around the lake has increased the trouble so much that Brother McPherson has been obliged to return to his home in Aquasco, Md., until Easter. The chapter will miss "little Mc" very much; and we are all hoping to see him with us again at the close of the Easter recess.

Brother Perkins, in a close and exciting election, succeeded in gaining a place on the board of base ball directors, which board has elected him

manager for the coming season. Brother Perkins' ability as business editor of the "Echo" for '91 gives the college grounds for believing that base ball under his management will be a success financially to say the least.

Brother Stevens, lately transferred to us from New York Beta, has again taken his place among the brothers of the latter chapter, in consequence of his resuming his course at Syracuse University.

Brothers Price and Stevens gave us all the $\Phi \Psi$ grip on the occasion of a flying visit paid us on Saturday, the eighth inst.

VIRGINIA A.

'80. Dr. Woodrow Wilson, of Wesleyan, has just been elected to the Chair of Jurisprudence at Princeton, succeeding the late Alexander Johnston.

VIRGINIA B.

George Fawcett, one of Virginia Alpha's staunch alumni of about a decade ago, is with Salvini this year, and has been winning praises everywhere for his sterling qualities as an actor. Better than that, Mr. Fawcett, amid all the distractions of his profession, remains a loyal and enthusiastic Phi Psi, and one whom it is always a pleasure to meet.

OHIO A.

Rev. James Murray, '65, is now preaching at Hillsboro, Ohio.

Rev. James P. Porter, '64, is stationed at Urbana.

Prof. E. T. Nelson, '66, has just returned from a dredging trip on the west coast of Florida, in the interest of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

C. E. Merritt, '68, is practicing law at Mt. Holly, New Jersey.

Rev. W. A. Robinson, '68, has been transferred from Cleveland to Covington, Ky.

Rev. S. A. Keen, '68, has been transferred from Indianapolis to Walnut Hills M. E. Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Rev. D. D. Jones, '67, is preaching in the Methodist Church at Zanesville, Ohio.

Dr. J. W. McMillan is now Superintendent of the Central Ohio Insane Asylum at Columbus.

J. A. Travis, ex-'88, and E. M. Semans, '86, will graduate from the Miami Medical College, at Cincinnati, this spring.

W. G. Frizell, '87, has opened up a law office at Dayton, Ohio.

W. P. Henderson, '88, has begun practicing law in partnership with Judge Strong at Kenton, Ohio.

Mr. George Dial, a well known young lawyer of this city, and Miss Louise Baldwin were married this afternoon. A large number of invitations had been issued, and Christ Church was crowded. Miss Baldwin has been a marked favorite in Springfield society, and is noted for her beauty and accomplishments.—*Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, Feb. 12.*

The many friends of J. N. Garver will be delighted to know that he is now the proud father of a son and heir two weeks old.

OHIO I.

Bro. Fred. L. Hannah has bought out a book store in Los Angeles, California.

Bro. J. T. Neilson is in McKeesport, Pa., with Diamond Lumber Company.

Brother Kendig is attending Medical College in Cincinnati.

Bro. John H. Bartram is a disciple of Blackstone in his native town of Marion, Ohio.

Brother Higley is located in St. Louis.

Brother Monroe Manges is principal of the public school at Windham, Ohio.

Brother Weeks is studying medicine with his father at Marion, Ohio.

INDIANA A.

Bro. Ed. G. Jaques was married on Jan. 30, 1890 to Miss Marie L. Fravel, at Goshen, Ind. They will be at home after Feb. 15th, 86 North Buffalo Street, Warsaw, Ind.

Bro. F. D. Newhouse, of class of '80, lately returned from the missionary work in India, is now stationed at Goshen, Ind.

Bro. Chas. L. Reynolds, formerly of the class of '90, promises to be the star catcher of the league this season. He is with the Brooklyn team.

Bro. John M. Cassel, class of '87 was married at Greencastle, Ind., Jan. 15, 1890 to Miss Nellie Turner. Brother Cassel is now engaged in business in Anderson.

Bro. Douglas H. Smith is rapidly gaining reputation as a journalist. He is editor of the Terre Haute News.

Bro. Will T. Neff, '81, who retired from the ministry on account of his health, is now in the journalistic business at Kansas City, Mo.

Bro. P. W. Smith, '82, is now located in Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

Bro. C. L. Henry, at a meeting of Republican Convention of 7th District, at Indianapolis, was elected permanent chairman.

Bro. U. S. A. Bridge, formerly class of '90 is now preaching at Inwood, Ind.

ILLINOIS A.

Bro. Alfred H. Henry is meeting with great success in his work as correspondent for *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Weekly*. He has just returned from a trip to the ore and copper regions of Lake Superior.

Bro. Stuart P. Edmonson has resigned the pastorate of his church in Indiana, and is now traveling in the South for his health.

Bro. Geo. H. Horswell is pursuing an advanced course of study in the University of Berlin.

Bro. Samuel Weir has resigned his professorship in Southwest Kansas College, and is preaching at Winfield, Kansas.

Bro. Charles Horswell is pursuing an advanced course of study at Yale.

ILLINOIS B.

Clement L. Geiger, '81, better known now by his stage name of Clay Clement, was at the Haymarket, Chicago, in January, with the Frederick Warde Company, of which he is leading man. Several of his old chapter associates had the pleasure of hearing him, and meeting him after the performance.

CHICAGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Morton Culver, Ill. A, '65, has been lately elected second lieutenant of company "G" First Regiment, Illinois National Guard.

Abram R. Townsend, N. Y. A, '70, is located at 138 Jackson Street.

R. H. Tuttle, Ill. A, is assisting in the law reporting for the Chicago Inter Ocean.

Brother Spencer, Ind. A, has recently come to Chicago and engaged

with the law firm of Tenney, Hawley & Coffeen, in the Home Insurance Building.

The Chicago Alumni Association held its annual meeting at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Saturday evening, Feb. 8th, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: R. S. Mott, Ill. B, S. G. P.; L. M. Coy, Ill. B, S. B. G.; Geo. W. Dixon, Ill. A, S. P.; A. R. Townsend, N. Y. A, and L. W. Crow, Wis. I, members of the executive committee. The next meeting is called for Saturday evening, March 22.

MINNESOTA B.

'91. Bro. M. D. Snedcor has accepted a position on *The Salida Mail*, published twice a week by Brown & Erdlen, at Salida, Colorado.

'89. Bro. O. L. Triggs, F. U. M., lectured to a large audience in the University M. E. Church, under the auspices of the Hermean Literary Society, February 17, on the subjects, "Poetry and Robert Browning."

Bro. Eugene H. Day, senior law, has opened an office in Temple Court.

Brother Erf, ex-'91, is reading law with Blandin & Buell, Cleveland, Ohio.

Brother Eitel is running his father's flouring mill at Chaska, Minn.

KANSAS A.

Brother Cyrus Crane is practising law in Kansas City.

Brother Herb Bullene is spending the winter in Texas.

Bro. J. M. Shellabarger gave us a pleasant call while home from Princeton during the holidays.

Bro. Stuart O. Henry and wife, *nee* Miss Nellie Thacher, are enjoying a bridal tour in southern Europe.

Miscellany.

WALTER H. BRITTON.

It has pleased an all wise Providence to take from us our esteemed and worthy brother, Walter H. Britton.

While bowing in submission to the mysterious dealings of God, we wish to record a testimonial of our deep regret and sorrow at the loss of one whose life seemed so full of promise for the future. His life inspired the confidence and respect of all. "His faults were manlier than some folks virtues." To all who knew him the news of his death will indeed be sad news, and Kansas Alpha extends to those her deepest sympathy. His memory will always be cherished by Kansas Alpha.

JOHN A. MUSHRUSH,
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Lawrence, Kansas, Jan. 17, 1890.

Committee.

JAS. A. BURNS.

Jas. A. Burns, formerly class '91, aged 18, died by his own hand at the residence of his grandmother, Mrs. Hudnut, Terra Haute, Indiana, Dec. 29, 1889.

We, his brothers in Indiana Gamma Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, Since this life has been cut short in the bright bloom of youth we desire to extend to the bereaved relations and friends our most sincere sympathy.

Resolved, That this sudden death takes from the world a young life for which bright prospects and a brilliant future were intended.

Resolved, That our country loses an earnest, generous, free-hearted boy, and Indiana Gamma a loyal brother.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to THE SHIELD and relations.

A. T. PERRY,
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Committee.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *Δ Y Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with THE SHIELD for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

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Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. THE SHIELD's files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

No. 2 of Vol. I. Nos. 1, 2 and 4 of Vol. IV.
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We have on hand a large supply of broken volumes of THE SHIELD, the separate numbers of which may be of service in completing files. We shall be glad to respond to letters of inquiry on this subject, and shall take pleasure in filling orders for back numbers as far as possible.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following:

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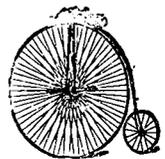
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OUR METHOD OF GRANTING CHARTERS.

In an article which appeared in the October SHIELD, I endeavored to show that a policy of extension is not feasible under the present system. There are other grounds of objection, however, which can be urged against our method of granting charters.

Let me first protest against the statement that the movement favoring a change is anti-conservative. Whenever this subject is broached we hear the cry of "Radicalism," "Heresy," "Sacred Traditions," etc. Traditions are often senseless as well as sacred. Their chief office at our Grand Arch Councils is to supply ammunition to those who can not meet valid argument by practical logic.

Let me state the case more plainly: It is claimed that Phi Kappa Psi has developed into her present state under the present system; that to abolish it would be a dangerous experiment; that it affords the greatest security against mistakes, and that no substantial advantage would be secured by a change. There is also a sort of sentimental sophistry employed against a reform in this matter, which is solemnly and impressively expounded at each Grand Arch Council. It might be stated thus: As no candidate can be admitted to a chapter, except by the unanimous consent of its members, so no chapter should be admitted to the sisterhood of chapters, except by like unanimous consent. It is further claimed that this system procures a homogeneity for our fraternity which could not otherwise be gained.

To start with, let us admit that no system can be devised which is entirely unobjectionable. The practical investigator will inquire not what is perfect, but what is best. This will require a careful and candid weighing of the advantages of and objections to proposed methods. The extension question will never be settled by sentimental gush or sacred traditions.

What are some of the advantages claimed for the present system?

1. We have gained success under it in the past. This argument, if valid, would have defeated a revision of the constitution, for we prospered under the old organization. It would have abolished THE SHIELD, for we prospered before it was born. It would defeat any reform, if the past is to control the present. But has our success been the result of our system, or in spite of it? Could better results have been secured by other methods? I can not do more than suggest these questions, but will venture the assertion that our past success has been the result of conditions with which the method of granting charters had little or nothing to do.

2. It affords the greatest security against mistakes. This position is based upon the principle that there is security in numbers; that while the few may err, the masses are generally right. It is further said that the veto power is a valuable means of defense in the hands of each chapter for the protection of its interests. Security in numbers! This was a dictum of the last Grand Arch Council; yet how thin is the argument! As will presently be shown our system proceeds on the opposite principle that the few shall control. Numbers are at a discount under the unit rule. But it may be urged that there is safety in unanimity. Why is the judgment of fifteen men worth more than that of five hundred? Why is the vote of one chapter of more value than that of thirty or forty? Any one conversant with Phi Psi history knows that egregious blunders have been made under the present system. I will go further and say, that taken as a whole, our "policy of extension" has been weak, inefficient and vacillating. It has lacked definiteness of aim and persistency of effort—the direct results of our limber-jointed system. In looking over the records of our fraternity I have been impressed with the fact that the leaders, in times past, were far in advance of the masses; and that subsequent events have proved the correctness of plans which were thwarted by the dilatory and obstructive tactics of the chapters. Pure democracy is an exploded theory of government. But we have gone to the extreme of radicalism by placing the veto power in the hands of each constituent chapter. Thus instead of our boasted democracy we have a monarchy as to vested chapter power, and anarchy as to actual results.

3. The statement that the present method affords the chapter a valuable weapon of defense is only a half-truth; it may likewise be a dangerous means of offense against the material interests of other chapters. We are somewhat selfish; we view things as they relate to ourselves and our real or fancied interests; we are apt to look through the color of local prejudice, circumstance, or exigency. By these means fraternity interests are made subservient to chapter demands, and the general good is sacri-

ficed to local considerations. No system favorable to such abuses is a safe one, and there will be constant friction so long as it is allowed to stand.

4. The relations between the members of a chapter are of such a personal nature as to be insufferable if they are not congenial. The necessity for unanimity is, therefore, self-evident. Inter-chapter relations are, however, upon an entirely different basis, so that the only question of importance in the admission of new chapters is that of general fraternity policy or expediency. There is no analogy between the two upon which a valid argument may be founded.

Now let us look at the principle involved. One chapter may control the fraternity. The tail wags the body. The many are subservient to the few. One negative weighs more than thirty affirmatives. The "sacred" rights and material interests of other chapters may be ignored or set aside by the whim or caprice of one. Under our system each chapter is a despot. If our aggregation of despots were agreed no serious difficulty might be experienced; but, *triste dictu*, these sovereign wills refuse to concur, and so the red flag is unfurled in all its splendor. The possibilities of this arrangement are somewhat startling. Suppose that some chapter should take the position that further extension is undesirable. The growth of the fraternity might thus be stopped against the will of all the other chapters! I am not an alarmist, but I say that any system capable of such results is unwise, illogical and pernicious.

By the change suggested in the October SHIELD the Executive Council would be given power to grant petitions for charter. Surely the Executive Council is as capable of passing upon the merits of a petition as a single chapter. But further than this, the Executive Council is amenable to the fraternity, while the chapter is not—provided it acts within its constitutional authority. In other words you can't control the policy of a chapter, while you can control that of the Executive Council. The chapter represents itself, and is a law unto itself. The Executive Council represents the fraternity and is amenable to it. The Grand Arch Council and District Councils have absolute control of who shall compose the Executive Council. These elections occur each year, so that the chapters through their representatives, would have their hands on the lever at all times. Under these conditions it is folly to presume that the Executive Council, if given this power, would run riot, abandon all conservative restrictions, wantonly or foolishly abuse the trust imposed in it, or follow a line of policy distasteful to the fraternity. There is no chapter so close to the pulse and sentiment of the fraternity as the Executive Council. Any one who will stop to think a moment will see the force of this statement; it

must be so from the very nature of its position and the intimate relation it sustains to the general organization. Hence if it is competent to fulfill its duties in other lines, why not in this? If it is untrustworthy in one function, why not in all?

This change is not proposed for the purpose of making the admission of new chapters an easy matter, or of lowering one whit the standard already raised. It is proposed because we have found that power must be centralized, not dissipated, and that the present system is unsatisfactory. The successful fraternity of to-day must be aggressive. Yet how aggressive can an officer of the fraternity be in pursuing a policy, or working a scheme, when there is a collection of stuffed clubs back of him ready for the slaughter?

Some one may say: let the Grand Arch Council instruct the Executive Council as to extension policy. I would answer, in the first place, that the Grand Arch Council does not usually know what it wants, the conditions not being favorable to close and careful study of means and measures; and in the second place, no chapter would be bound by such instructions; they could not deprive the chapter of its constitutional right to vote as it pleased. The vote of a chapter often depends upon the state of its liver at the time. If two brothers have each other by the ears, the one will oppose what the other favors, and the one who has the largest following wins. Thus a local quarrel may determine a question of universal importance—(History, not speculation.) It may be a matter of surprise to many that not one of three petitions granted during the past four years received the support of the chapters upon the first ballot, and that it required long correspondence, and in some cases official pressure, to secure favorable action. Such results are discouraging to the officers of the fraternity and dampen any enthusiasm they might otherwise have in extension projects.

In closing let me propose that the Grand Arch Council amend the constitution by giving the Executive Council power to grant charters. The Executive Council can then have a chance to show whether it is worthy of the trust. If the plan does not work satisfactorily the following Grand Arch Council can return to the old system again. Certainly there would be little danger in the experiment, and we would be furnished with a practical basis for a comparison of the two systems. Should such a measure be passed it should provide for a unanimous vote of the Executive Council to grant petitions, with possibly the concurrence of the Archon of the District from which the petition comes.

W. C. WILSON.

The Areopagus.

CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

W. H. Axtell, after a successful year at the Ohio Medical College, goes to Tipton, Indiana, to vacationize. He will visit some of the Indiana chapters on his trip.

THE SHIELD, through some of our resident Phi Psis, goes to points in South Carolina, New Mexico, Germany, Hawaiian Islands, and to addresses at other distant places not otherwise reached by it. Alumni members here believe in THE SHIELD, boom it, advertise it, and recommend it for any fraternity or family center table, anywhere.

Prof. W. N. Mumper, Hughes High School, remembers fealty to Phi Kappa Psi, and is the latest addition to the roll of the Cincinnati Alumni Association.

Pleasant greetings are acknowledged from Buffalo, New York City, and other points where Cincinnati Phi Psis hope to have some part in aiding in pushing for other alumni associations.

Mrs. Kate Roehl, Connersville, Indiana, mother of Verner Roehl, deceased, was entertained by Cincinnati alumni members while passing through this city en route to New Orleans. Mrs. Roehl remains in the Southland until our late spring, then goes to Greencastle, Indiana, to reside, while her interesting daughter takes the full collegiate course at De Pauw University.

Secretary Everett is arranging an interesting roster of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, complete to date, and which will appear in the April number of THE SHIELD as the next Cincinnati letter. It will cause a run on the office of THE SHIELD in orders for extra copies.

Bishop J. M. Walden is a resident Phi Psi, loyal to the fraternity, interested and active in the work of the Cincinnati association, and will attend all its gatherings when in the city. The bishop and his good wife keep well posted in the doings of the fraternity, and always welcome Phi Psis making themselves known.

The symptomiveness on the surface is conducive to the belief in the

approach of another orange blossom, cake, and honeymoon outfit in resident Phi Psi circles. There are not very many unmarried Phi Psis on the rolls in Cincinnati. It won't take long to get around in the questions desired to be propounded.

The exchange of photos with Phi Psis, the increasing correspondence with alumni and active members, the getting hold of the lines connecting again with old chapters, the hunting about for something for chapter halls, and the receipt of the annual letters of chapters, are a part of the interesting things in Phi Psi work here.

The reception and banquet of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, next in regular course, will occur the last week in March. The programme will contain new and practical features, good music, and the arrangements will be suited to the easy convenience of all. Chapters and alumni within reach, so far as addresses are known, will be notified informally, but Phi Psis who can be or will be in this vicinity are fully expected and sincerely requested to meet with us any time.

E. A. DAUMONT.

THE COMING GRAND ARCH COUNCIL.

Arrangements for the coming Grand Arch Council are fast being completed. The reduced rate of one and one-third fare for round trip, has been secured for all persons attending Council from the States east of Illinois, except Michigan. The Western Traffic Association has refused to grant a reduction. Delegates should be particular to obtain receipt for full fare paid in coming to Chicago, else they can not take advantage of reduced rates in returning.

Gen. John P. Rea, Ohio Alpha, and Thomas W. Haymond, Indiana Alpha, have been selected for orator and poet of Council, respectively.

President Robert Lowry has signified his intention of being present, and from the reports already received, it is very certain that there will be a very full representation from the chapters. Mississippi Alpha and California Alpha will each have at least one delegate present.

Each chapter should use its best effort in endeavoring to get its alumni members to attend the Grand Arch Council, and no chapter should be unrepresented by an alumnus delegate which has an alumnus resident in Chicago.

Every indication points towards a successful meeting, and it is to be hoped that the business transacted will be commensurate with the number in attendance.

LINCOLN M. COY.

Chicago, March 19, 1890.

Editorial.

WE have been handsomely treated during this volume by brothers of various chapters, who have sent us copies of the publications of their respective colleges. It would be of great assistance to us, however, if items which to the sender appear of special interest were marked. It would leave a great deal of valuable time to the Editor, who finds the labor of scanning ever so rapidly forty-five or fifty college and fraternity journals no small task.

THIS issue of THE SHIELD will reach the chapters and subscribers generally a few days only before the assembling of the Grand Arch Council, and we wish our earnest exhortation to every loyal Phi Psi to attend might be heeded by a sufficiently large number to make this gathering a memorable one in the history of $\Phi K \Psi$.

To the college student our advice is to eschew buggy rides, spreads, and like luxuries for an entire term, if need be, and anticipating his expenditure in these directions, invest in a railway ticket to Chicago. If he gets there, other means than walking will be found to get him home. To the alumnus we express the conviction, growing out of large experience, that if he will make it convenient to drop business for a few days, and attend the Chicago G.

A. C., the business will not suffer and he will be largely profited.

A royal rally and a jolly good time is our motto for the G. A. C. of '90.

THERE are, no doubt, many young Phi Psis who have not had the good fortune to visit Chicago at any time. For the benefit of such we wish to indorse the sentiment of Brother Robinson's letter in the February SHIELD, that this marvellous city alone is a wonderful attraction. Why may we not rally three hundred strong in the City by the Lake next week?

SIX chapters, whose correspondents failed to obey our frequent requests relative to the time of sending letters, are unrepresented in this issue, because their communications came to hand on the 17th and 18th inst., and even later. We have had hard work to impress the date, 15th of each month, upon the memories of those whose duty it is to chronicle the doings of their chapter from time to time, and we hope our successor may have better luck along this line as well as in every other direction.

Chapter correspondents who prefer to rewrite their letters for a later issue, will confer a favor by informing the Editor at once, as held-over matter sometimes gets into the compositor's hands before a second letter reaches us, and thus two communications covering largely the same ground are sometimes inserted.

APROPOS of "editing" we came upon a pertinent comment recently in a contemporary, though the authorship of the excerpt is unknown to us. We offer it for perusal to the readers of THE SHIELD, in the hope that it

may arouse a memory of sundry suggestions that we have from time to time made to our contributors :

But the "gentle reader," of almost any periodical would develop ungentle moods and speech if his favorite paper were to be printed as it came from the pens of contributors. And probably some of the most excited readers would be the authors themselves. And yet the most wearisome of editorial tasks is at the same time the most thankless. The reader, of course, does not dream of his indebtedness, and where one writer, even, submits to your plowshare and pruning hook, there are more who resent every comma and grammatical correction as an insult, and every excision as a robbery. * * * He must boil down if he would keep his own pot boiling. He must assert his autocracy, or he will go down under the heels of a mob. He must "doctor" the weak or maimed or dropsical manuscript, or he will soon be beyond medicine himself.

The editor stands between antagonistic fires. * * * And yet nearly every one thinks he could edit a paper, and that the editor's life is the meeting-place of ease and dignity.

The extension spectre will not down, and if we are to judge from personal letters and other sources of estimating the feeling of the fraternity, this question will receive a large share of the attention of the delegates at the coming G. A. C.

And it ought to receive large attention. We are at the parting of the ways, as it were, in our fraternity life, and if we take another path than the one we have for so long trod, it must be journeyed on with no uncertain tread.

When our new constitution, so radically different from the old one, was adopted, the management of affairs was left in the hands of those who had been largely instrumental in formulating the new instrument, for three of the principal offices in the fraternity were at once filled by members of the Committee on Revision, and these same brothers continue in office till the present time.

During the time that the fraternity has operated under the new constitution some changes have occurred, which

we believe work constantly for the strengthening of our organization. These changes have shown in a clear light to the executive branch of our government the desirability of a radical reform in the method of granting charters, not necessarily a letting down of the conservatism which has always characterized our action in admitting new colleges to our circle.

The method remains practically the same now as in the irresponsible days of Grand Chapters, and the Executive Council, which takes the place of the former in the scheme of admission of petitioners, has become utterly tired of the senseless and useless labor imposed upon it by our antiquated form of granting charters.

We are not ready to endorse any radical scheme of extension because of our representative position, but we are ready in this place and in the convention hall to advocate as strenuously as we can the wisdom of giving to the Executive Council the veto upon unworthy petitions.

We believe there is a distinct purpose in several of our rival organizations to prosecute vigorously a campaign looking toward establishment of chapters in leading institutions, and we must either content ourselves with the colleges we have or make equally vigorous efforts to establish ourselves in desirable places where we are not now represented.

Ten years from this time the situation of affairs in colleges on the Greek-letter society question will be much clearer than at present, and the suggestions from various quarters that the weaker fraternities will either be absorbed by the stronger or pushed into the background, find strong verification in recent Hellenic happenings.

We can, without danger to our present position or conservative spirit, enlarge our chapter list so as to in-

clude at least forty-five colleges. This much we venture upon in discussing the much-mooted question.

We are confronted by another grave problem: Who shall succeed Brothers Wilson and Dun, whose unselfish and unremunerated labors for the fraternity have done so much to bring about our present prosperity? These brothers feel that they have done in the five years past all that they can in justice to themselves afford to do for $\Phi \ K \ \Psi$, and they severally desire to yield their places to others.

These places will be hard to fill, and we think delegates to the G. A. C. will certainly find it to their advantage to canvass the available men in their acquaintance, to make sure that the selections shall be the wisest possible.

IN some respects the editorship of *THE SHIELD* will not be so difficult a place to fill, since several of our loyal brothers, who are experienced journalists, are available, both as to location and present positions. The editorship of our journal means the expenditure of a considerable amount of time, and first of all the question of how much of that valuable commodity a brother can devote to this work, must be taken into account in the election of our successor.

We shall not at this time write our valedictory, inasmuch as our contract with the fraternity calls for the completion of the present volume before we lay down our journalistic pen and lightly descend from our high-backed stool, but before our successor is chosen we wish to thank correspondents and brothers all for our courteous treat-

ment in the years gone by, and bespeak for our successor a continuation of the kindnesses so long and so freely given to us.

WE have received during the month past many of the annual circular letters, sent out by various chapters, and find them uniformly excellent, well-conceived and happily expressed.

Notice is given that Francis Samuel White has been regularly dismissed from New York Delta Chapter.



Chapter Letters.

WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON.

Pennsylvania Alpha is still alive, although many of our brothers may not think so. We intended sending a letter to THE SHIELD last month, but as our new correspondent was a little "green" (as you will no doubt conclude before I am done), and did not know when it was due, he was too late in getting it written.

Pennsylvania Alpha has been growing somewhat since we last wrote, and we are only too glad to introduce to our numerous brothers, Bro. W. A. Hodgkinson, '91, Bro. Harry Meyers, '93, and Bro. John McLean, '93. It is sufficient to say of these three new brothers that Alpha of Φ \Kappa Ψ has initiated them. We are certain they are men from whom only good reports will be heard.

We are very sorry to announce that Bro. J. F. Fisher, '93, has been compelled to leave college on account of sickness. He has been sick from time to time, the entire year. We are afraid his departure is for good, but we hope not.

Brother Nesbit, '92, has been elected as one of the editors of our college paper, *The Washington Jeffersonian*, and certainly, for the good of the paper, no better man could have been chosen.

Brother Kooser, '90, the debater from the Philo and Union Literary Society in our annual contest, is laid up with inflammatory rheumatism, and we are afraid he will not be able to take the point which he was sure of before.

Our chapter will lead all other fraternities in base ball this season. In tennis, etc., we will be up with the leaders, as Pennsylvania Alpha is in everything.

We have heard an occasional complaint from some of our brothers about the small number in Pennsylvania Alpha. It is quality rather than quantity that we approve, and the new men themselves will be sufficient proof of the fact.

The Easter vacation is almost at hand and all are very busy, so we hope our next letter will be somewhat longer when we have a little more time. To all loyal brothers Pennsylvania Alpha sends greeting.

CHARLES A. GILLETTE.

Washington, Pennsylvania, March 12, 1890.

ALLEGHENY.

It is with a great deal of maternal pride that Pennsylvania Beta presents to the Phi Psi world bouncing twins who were born into the Grecian life on Saturday night, March 8th. Dr. William Goat, the family physician, assures us that they have the proper stuff to develop into royal Phi Psis. Bro. Manly O. Brown, of the class of '92, and Bro. Wallace C. Leffingwell, '93. Long life to them! We are now seventeen in number, eleven in the chapter house, four town boys and the twins.

Replies from our circular letter have begun to come in, and we appreciate more fully than ever the deep fraternal spirit which has been the life of our beloved Phi Kappa Psi since nearly half a century ago, when its founders raised the standard, in a little Pennsylvania college, of a fraternity which to-day stands in the front rank among all the secret societies in American colleges. There is something peculiar about a Phi Psi letter, just as there is about a Phi Psi. We have heard letters read written by some other frat. men, but somehow or other the one thing needful, that of the writer being a wearer of our shield, is just as apparently lacking as though we were talking to him ourselves. Bro. Frank Cattern used to say that he could tell a Phi Psi as far as he could see him, and although we are not very positive about that, we have often wondered on talking with a strange brother why in the world we couldn't have told that he was a Phi Psi without seeing his pin. It seemed as though the spirit of our fraternity had so permeated the whole man that he walked like a Phi Psi, acted like a Phi Psi, talked like a Phi Psi, in fact that he had that unexpressible something about him which is as certain an indication of a Phi Psi as effect is the indication of cause.

Matters have been comparatively quiet at Allegheny for the past month, with the exception of a nocturnal demonstration by $\Theta N E$, for the purpose of dispelling from the minds of certain freshmen some doubts which they had expressed as to the existence of such an organization. It is said that the freshmen now believe as firmly in $\Theta N E$ as an existing entity as in the eternal punishment of the wicked.

On the evening of February 12th, Alpha Chapter, of Delta Tau Delta, gave a reception at their chapter house. The Deltas are model hosts and the occasion was most successful and enjoyable.

We have received Brother Smart's letter containing suggestions for the consideration of the chapters of the topics of general fraternity interest which will come before the Grand Arch Council. The method seems to us to be much better than the old one, as it brings these matters before the chapters in such a way that the delegates need have no doubt as to their chapter's position upon the questions, and at the same time it centers the reports upon such matters as are of general importance and removes, to a great degree, the tendency to either a particular hobby, or to an ineffective paper on "everything in general and nothing in particular." From the present outlook the convention in April promises to be the best in the history of the fraternity. There is no reason why it should not be, for with the experience since our last Grand Arch Council, in

the various policies recommended by that body, opportunity has been given to test the present system and find whether it is the best available. Pennsylvania Beta will be as numerous as possible, and no effort will be spared to have a big delegation. At any rate we will be represented, and will send enthusiasm in abundance, and may the Grand Arch Council of 1890 be long remembered as an occasion of the adoption of wise and progressive measures, and of a wonderful diffusion of the spirit of Phi Kappa Psi.

H. M. BARRETT.

Meadville, Pennsylvania, March 12, 1890.

BUCKNELL.

Thursday morning, March 6th, we received the sad news of the death of our benefactor, William Bucknell. School was suspended until after the funeral. Impressive memorial services were held in the chapel on Friday morning, March 7th. Addresses were made by Dr. Harris, Dr. Groff, Prof. Rockwood and Bro. Charles Wolfe. The freshman class contest in declamation was postponed, and also an entertainment by the glee club was postponed. Hon. Wm. Bucknell has been the mainstay of our institution, and his loss is keenly felt. Resolutions were adopted appropriate to the occasion.

The chapter was saddened by the news of our honored president's affliction. A telegram of condolence was immediately sent, to which he responded in a very characteristic letter, which the brothers immediately assembled to peruse. Being an alumnus of Gamma, she came very near to him in sympathy for his affliction. The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, God in his Providence has seen fit to lay the hand of affliction on our honored president, Dr. Lowry, in the death of his beloved wife; and,

WHEREAS, We recognize in him a brother meriting our truest sympathy, and

WHEREAS, In his own words, "The Phi Psi sentiment is a good thing when the face is wet and the heart is crying for sympathy;" therefore be it

Resolved, That we humbly bow to the will of omnipotent God, and join with our brother in looking up through tears of honest grief to Him who never errs.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to our brother in his bereavement. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to him at his home and embodied in our chapter letter.

J. H. HASLAM,

A. L. MOORE,

J. B. CRESSINGER,

Committee.

The review of the term's work has begun, and in a few days will be concluded.

The members of Pennsylvania Gamma are active as ever. Brother Haslam represented '90, at the exercises on February 22d, and did honor to $\Phi \Psi$. Brother Moore has preached at Philadelphia and was well received. Brother Holmes lately filled the pulpit at his home in Pittston. Brothers Holmes and Blackwood, who represent $\Phi \Psi$ on the college glee club, are making themselves known as excellent singers. They have engagements to sing at Factoryville and Williamsport in the near future.

The prize contest of the freshman class will take place soon, and Gamma will be represented by Brother Sneck and the undersigned.

A $\Phi \Psi$ tennis club has been formed, and a court will be commenced in a few days. The base ball outlook is not very encouraging, but it will no doubt become more favorable as soon as we have warm weather. Brother Blackwood and possibly your humble scribe will have places on the team.

In reading the constitution in meeting we have had some very interesting discussions on some of the points, and all the boys seem eager to learn the laws of the fraternity.

Chiefly through the efforts of $\Phi \Psi$ an entertainment will take place on the 8th for the benefit of the athletic association. The Bucknell Quartette will figure prominently on the programme.

Many things claim the writer's time so that this must suffice for this time, and we will endeavor to find something more interesting for the next.

JOHN B. CRESSINGER.

Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, March 7, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

This letter would be incomplete if I failed to mention something about our second reception tendered on the evening of February 24th. It was, of course, a *recherche* event. The Misses Miller and Filbert, Pine Grove, Pa., most pronounced Phi Psi girls, received, and acquitted themselves with rare grace and elegance. These receptions have made this term conspicuously free from dullness and tedious monotony, and pleasantly diversified the vicissitudes of student life.

Our President, Brother Dr. McKnight, had LL. D. conferred on him by Lafayette College on the 27th ult. It is all the more gratifying to him since the honor comes from an institution, in the vicinage of which his ministerial work brought him in contact with the institution, and the honor is a recognition of Brother Dr. McKnight's scholarly attainments. It is needless to say that he will be equal to the added *burden*.

Opportunately, it is quite proper that I should note in this letter the remarkable progressive strides Pennsylvania College has made within the past few years; and it is with exceeding great pride that I ascribe the secret of it to the indomitable spirit of Brother Dr. McKnight. In the few years of his administration he has made for himself an enviable record. He has proven himself an indefatigable worker in behalf of the institution, and has enlisted the interest of the most available men in the college. Although the new buildings are not as yet finished, they are rapidly nearing completion. The recitation hall is all but finished; the laboratory building will be finished by April 1st, after which the new gymnasium will soon be ready for use; the chapel needs some inside finishings when it will be ready for morning prayers. The increase in the number of students has also been proportionate with the ample accommodations provided. The present freshman class is double the usual number, and

the incoming class of '94 is expected to be larger by a third than '93. A sense of the prodigious amount of work accomplished by Brother Dr. McKnight becomes readily apparent when you consider what it means to have all these buildings under way of construction at the same time. Surely the Doctor must realize the success of his most sanguine anticipations!

The eighth annual meeting of the alumni association of Pennsylvania College was held in Philadelphia, February 4th. President McKnight, Profs. Stahley and Bridenbaugh of the faculty were present. An enthusiastic meeting and banquet were reported.

February 22d was celebrated by the accustomed masquerade parade. It is an established event, and the people of the town turn out *en masse* to witness this annual demonstration.

The Quartette Banjo and Guitar Club made its debut this term. Hitherto the college orchestra furnished the music for the Y. M. C. A. lecture course, but the superior merit of the Banjo and Guitar Club was recognized, and the plaudits of the audiences amply justify the change. Brothers Fager and Miller constitute half the club, and their performing is superb.

Brothers Herman, Miller and Seyfert attended the reception at Wilson College tendered last month. They speak glowingly of the "fem. sems.," and were generally pleased with the trip. Brother Turner clandestinely also took a trip, going as far as Carlisle; were it not for his modesty I should divulge why. Suffice it to say, however, that on this particular day the noon train that pulled out contained a somebody possessing an influence akin to the properties of the loadstone.

Brother Sadtler, '88, spent the 22d with us, remaining over for the reception. He will graduate in law with the class of '90.

Brother Price, Pennsylvania Zeta, while passing our way, stopped over night with us.

Last month some of the brothers were favored with visitors from home. Brother Levan's sister, Mrs. Rader, made the 22d quite congenial for him. Brother Miller's mother and sisters, Miss Louise and Miss Mame, were here for several days.

Brother Fager spent the 22d at home; Brother Stitely in Baltimore.

Some of the base ball appointments have been made. So far the Phi Psis on the team are Brother Whitmer, Jr., p.; Brother Stitely, s. s., and the writer, l. f.

As the time for the meeting of the Grand Arch Council is so rapidly approaching, we most heartily wish it to be productive of much good to the fraternity. Brother Whitmer, Jr., will represent us.

M. L. BARSHINGER.

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, March 3, 1890.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Everything is very quiet nowadays, and there seems little of importance to chronicle. Of course rushing is all over for the present, and we have settled down to enjoy the comforts of home life. It is quite a genial crowd who gather weekly around the fireside of Pennsylvania Zeta to toast their shins and delve into the mysteries of Greek life. Although we are carrying more men than the chapter usually does, the greatest possible harmony and brotherly feeling prevails. In all things we work together as a unit, and there is not a department of our college life where the influence of Phi Psi does not make itself felt.

The literary societies of the college are to have an inter-society debate some time in April. Almost all of our boys belong to one society, and when this society came to select the men whom she wished to represent her in debate her choice fell upon three Phi Psis, Brothers Mills, Illingworth and Eveland.

Brother Zimmerman, who graduates this year, is temporarily filling the pulpit of the M. E. Church at Mt. Holly.

A few weeks ago Brother Price spent a Sunday with Brother Dunning, an alumnus of this chapter at New Oxford. Brother Dunning is preaching at New Oxford, and for sometime past has been carrying on a revival, which has resulted in an addition of over fifty to his church. In passing through Gettysburg Brother Price stopped over night with the boys of Eta Chapter and was highly pleased with the kind treatment which they bestowed upon him.

The Central Pennsylvania Conference meets in Carlisle, March 19th. As there are quite a number of Φ Ψ s who are preaching in this conference, the members of the chapter will be on hand to look after them when they arrive, and try to make them feel, during their stay in Carlisle, that active Φ Ψ s still have the knack of entertaining and making it pleasant for any stray alumnus who may drop in upon them from time to time.

There is some prospect of another fraternity entering Dickinson in the near future. The chapter has been organized *sub-rosa* and includes about thirteen men. They tried to keep the matter secret, but it soon leaked out, and now everybody around college knows about the movement as well as the men who are interested in it. Of the calibre of the men in it we won't say anything, save that as far as we know, there is only one man in the whole lot who was asked to join another fraternity. This will of course speak volumes to all Greeks.

Rumor says that our president is anxious to see a chapter of Psi Upsilon here, and is actively concerned in the movement. It is hardly likely though that *they* will receive a Ψ Υ charter.

W. PERRY EVELAND.

Carlisle, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1890.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

On account of sickness of the writer and quite a number of the other brothers, our letter did not appear in the January SHIELD, but we hope it is the last time the absence of our letter will be found in any copy. With this edition the scribe-elect of Pennsylvania Θ begins his work, although he has written once or twice to THE SHIELD he has not before held the important position. He

thinks it is the most desirable one of the fraternity, and has looked forward to it for some time. It is to be hoped that during his term of office Pennsylvania Θ will be heard from every month.

All the boys returned promptly after the Xmas vacation, and reported a good time, but Brother Hoke, '90, who was sick at his home and unable to return for a couple of weeks, but is well now and attending to his duties.

It is hoped that in the near future Professor Hart will enlarge our Chemical Laboratory to about four times its present size. He is in the city at present in the interest of it. He has all his plans laid out, and it promises to be a great improvement to Lafayette College.

Our College Guitar and Mandolin Club propose taking a trip during the next term. It is an excellent organization and well deserves it. $\Phi \Psi$ is well represented on it by Brother Boyer, '91, who plays a guitar, and Brother Hoke, '90, who plays a cello, and adds greatly to the music as he is a fine musician and understands his instrument. Brother Mackey, '90, will probably manage the club.

The class of '91 is hard at work on their annual, which promises to be one of the best ever issued here. We are represented on the editorial board by Brother Babbitt.

On February 12th the class of '91 gave a large hop. It was indeed a grand affair and a perfect success, both in regard to attendance, enjoyment and financially. People were present from all parts of the state, and a few were from even greater distances. Brother Babbitt was chairman of the invitation committee, and Brother Dale was on the eatable committee. The junior hop at Lafayette is now an established custom.

Our seniors have adopted the cap and gown to be worn commencement week.

Our winter athletic sports were held in Lafayette Hall on Friday, February 28th, and proved a great success. Brother Mackey, '90, was clerk of the course; Bro. P. Dashiell, '90, of Lehigh University, was time keeper; Brother Godcharles, '92, measurer, and Brothers Dale and Babbitt, '91, were ushers. The Guitar and Mandolin Club furnished excellent music.

Lafayette now boasts of a Bicycle Club, and $\Phi \Psi$ is represented by Brothers Hoke and Loose of '90, and Godcharles, '92.

Thinking that this letter is too lengthy already, I will close with best regards to THE SHIELD and cordial greetings to Phi Psis everywhere.

F. A. GODCHARLES.

Easton, Pennsylvania, March 8, 1890.

SWARTHMORE.

Another link has been added to the chain of our brotherhood; another face, and one we are right glad to welcome, is seen in the happy circle at our meetings; another man of Swarthmore, having proven himself exemplary as a student and congenial as a companion, has been admitted to Kappa's membership. As our latest acquisition we are proud to present to his fraternity, Bro. Benjamin F. Battin, of Omaha, Nebraska. He entered the sophomore class at

the beginning of this year, as he said to spend a year here before finishing up at Cornell, where he has a brother in Delta Upsilon. Brother Battin soon proved himself to be a leader as a student and in a social way, and Swarthmore's charms have proven so attractive to him that he has about given over his former intentions, and now that he has identified himself with the interests of old $\Phi \Psi$, and especially Pennsylvania Kappa, we feel sure that he will complete his course right here. He is a brother to our staunch friend, Mrs. Ralph Lewis, the wife of one of our charter members, and we feel that he is destined for a brilliant college career.

Brother Battin's initiation raises our roll to thirteen active members, who with seven loyal alumni, make a very good showing for a chapter fourteen months old. That our initiates are good men is unquestionable. Our venerable president, Magill, who is now in Paris on a year's leave of absence, in speaking of our men in a letter, says: "I am glad to know you are taking only the best men into your fraternity. Maintain that standard of excellence you have established, and after you get good men surround them with the best influences, for thus, and thus only, will you all receive the full advantages which I know are in your brotherhood."

February 10th, last, was certainly a field day for $\Phi \Psi$ in the senior class. In the announcement of the commencement honors, Bro. Robert S. McConnell was found to be the speaker from the engineering section. This honor becomes more brilliant when the fact is known that all of the five other speakers are young ladies, although the men are in the majority in the class. In the elections in the class for the final officers and participants in the exercises of class day, merit was again the winner, and when merit is taken into consideration $\Phi \Psi$ is invariably successful in this college. Bro. William E. Sweet was chosen president after an unparalleled contest, in which the anti-fraternity groan was used assiduously, but to no purpose. Bro. M. L. Clothier was chosen presenter, the next best office, and anyone who knows him will have no doubt of his capacity for the position. Among the other honors won by the Phi Psi was the presidency of the junior class, which fell to the lot of Bro. Edward B. Temple.

Prof. William Hyde Appleton, A. M., Ph. D., our popular acting-president, was on the 11th inst., elected to the presidency of the college by the Board of Managers. Dr. Magill's resignation takes effect at the next commencement, after nineteen years of service, during which his name has been so identified with Swarthmore's best interests that it will ever remain inseparably connected with the growth of the college. Dr. Appleton graduated from Harvard in 1864, and is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa. He is a whole-souled, generous man, whose excellent judgment of college affairs has had the influence of eighteen years as a member of the college faculty, and it is the general hope that he will accept the honor.

If all goes well your scribe will be present among the delegates to the Chicago Grand Arch Council, as the representative of Pennsylvania Kappa. This will be our chapter's first experience at the "grand consult" of the fraternity, and we hope for much benefit by the intercourse with brothers from

distant colleges, and the general broadening of our ideas on fraternity topics. With a cordial greeting to the sister chapters from the youngest.

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania, March 12, 1890.

CORNELL.

It is sometime since THE SHIELD has had a letter from New York Alpha, and the causes of this delinquency have been many. In this long interval many things have happened among us, and of these I will relate the most important. Two new brothers are among us now who at that time were merely the subjects of vigorous rushing. Brother Symonds, of Ogdensburg, and Brother McGonigle, of Lyons, New York, I have now the pleasure of introducing to SHIELD readers. They are both '93 men, and if appearances indicate anything, will make first rate Phi Psis.

Brother Hodder, who is so well known to all the Phi Psi brethren, intends taking a trip through Germany during the coming year. He starts June 12th, and will probably stay a little over a year on the continent studying. His work at Cornell has been very successful in the past, and the courses he conducts have always been much sought by students having electives at their disposal.

At the junior ball, which occurred the Friday before lent, Brother Bissel was one of the committee of floor managers. The ball was one of the most successful ever held at Cornell in all respects. Brother Bissel is also musical director of the Glee Club, which has just returned from its first trip of the season. Brothers May and Trone on the Banjo Club, and Brother Bissel on the Glee Club, represented $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$.

As undergraduate representatives to the Grand Arch Council, New York Alpha will send Brothers Wilcox, '90, and Bissel, '91, than whom it would have indeed been difficult to make a better choice:

We had the pleasure of several visits from Bro. G. B. Baker, Indiana Beta.

Candidates for the Cornell base ball nine and crew are both training daily, and the outlook for strong athletic representatives was never better. Brothers Wolf, '91, and Symonds, '93, are training for the crew; Brother May, '90, for the nine.

At the winter meets, held this week and the week before, many of Cornell's best records were broken by the competing athletes, and as a whole were very successful.

E. H. HULBERT.

Ithaca, New York, March 10, 1890.

MADISON.

For the last two weeks Madison has been a little more lively than usual. On February 24th, the juniors gave the customary Washington's Birthday Exhibition. A few of the sophomores, burning to distinguish themselves, made an effort to kidnap some of the men on the programme. But the juniors were vigilant, and the efforts of the sophs were fruitless. Bro. A. N. Allen, class poet, represented $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$ on the programme. After the exercises at the Opera

House, the class, with their ladies, adjourned to the Park House where a banquet was waiting for them. The whole affair was a success.

On Friday evening of the same week, the sophomores had a class banquet at the Park House. The freshmen, early in the week, found out the plans of the sophs., and determined to try their hands at the kidnapping business. They made large plans, but the sophs. guarded most of their men successfully. However, one soph. was captured in his room, rendered *hors de combat* and spirited away. To say that the sophomores were excited is putting it very mildly. I heard one Phi Psi sophomore say that he was able to make away with five of the strongest men in the freshman class. We are all thankful that this brother does not have such spells often. At about one o'clock the stolen man returned safe and sound. Of course no such *fearful* outrage could be allowed to occur without the offenders suffering *dire* punishment. So about two days after the affair, the freshmen were cordially invited to sign a paper drawn up by the faculty. Thus the freshmen have, early in their course, fulfilled one of the requirements for graduation; for no Madison man can graduate with a clear conscience until he has signed one of those wonderful papers.

Madison retains her membership in the New York State Inter-Collegiate Base Ball Association for the coming season. Hobart College will reenter the league this spring, so the number of teams will be increased to six. Brother Potter, '91; Brother Merriam, '92, and Brother Osgood, '91, will play on the team. Madison will open the season with Cornell at Ithaca, April 22d.

Only a few days before his death, President Dodge promised the boys that next fall ground would be broken for a new gymnasium. Since his death the plan has been changed. It is now proposed to erect a gymnasium and Y. M. C. A. building combined as a memorial to Dr. Dodge. The students have started the project by circulating a subscription paper. The management of the affair will be in the hands of the alumni, who will push it as fast as possible.

Bro. D. A. MacMurray is one of the six successful competitors for positions on the Clarke prize contest. The oratorical contest will occur on the evening of March 21.

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, New York, March 10, 1890.

JOHNS HOPKINS.

Since the last communication appeared, Maryland Alpha has increased her membership roll by the initiation of Bro. A. S. Mackenzie, a graduate of Dalhousie, and now a student in the Electrical Department of Johns Hopkins. In addition to his remarkable attainments as a scholar, he is a good athlete, and does honor both to his fraternity and his college. The ceremonies of initiation passed off with the usual eclat for which our chapter is noted, and after the meeting adjourned a sumptuous feast was done ample justice, the evening's enjoyment being still further heightened by brief but witty remarks from Brothers Willoughby and Mustard, who are respectively the "Nye and Riley" of Johns Hopkins University.

We were rejoiced to have Brother Ralph Robinson, of the class of '89, pay us a brief visit recently, and hope he will find time to make a longer stay in the near future.

We are pleased to make known the fact that out of the eight post-graduate scholarships awarded in the Johns Hopkins University, three fell to Phi Psis. The fortunate ones are Brothers Mustard, Willoughby and Mackenzie, each of whom have held honors previously, either here or at other colleges.

The weather has been mild of late, and a corresponding amount of interest and activity is displayed by the devotees of athletics. Manager Herty, of the base ball team, has arranged a remarkably good and complete schedule of games for the coming season, and the boys will have to play good ball if they show as long a record of games won as they did last year. The team will play its first match with Lehigh, in Baltimore, on April 7th.

The Lacrosse outlook is brilliant, and the question of admission to the Inter-Collegiate League will soon be definitely settled by the league delegates in convention.

Musical affairs at Johns Hopkins University are receiving much attention at present. A minstrel show is to be given in the Lyceum Theatre on February 27th, under the auspices of the Alpha Sigma Sigma Fraternity, and promises to be a brilliant success, both artistically and financially. The proceeds go to the athletic association.

The Banjo Club is in a high state of perfection, and is pronounced by the best critics to be superior either to that of Yale, Harvard or Princeton.

A Glee Club has also been organized and will tour the South with the Banjo Club during the Easter recess. Phi Psi is well represented on the Glee Club.

The Annual Commemorative Exercises of Johns Hopkins took place on the 22d of February.

Maryland Alpha held her semi-annual election of officers at the meeting of February 7th.

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Nothing of vital interest to the community at large has recently occurred here. Spring examinations and out-door athletics are occupying most of our time, and the base ball and lacrosse men are employing all their spare moments in overcoming their weaknesses. Phi Psi has a tug-of-war team which is expected to win the contest at the annual gymnastic exhibition to be given on March 14th. The proceeds of the exhibition will be divided between the base ball and lacrosse teams. As usual, Phi Psi men will do most of the heavy work at the exhibition.

Our chapter will soon increase its membership roll by the initiation of two men, both of whom have good records as scholars and athletes, and are universally popular.

We have four representatives on the Glee Club, which expects to make a southern tour during the Easter recess. Our alleged rivals, the Alpha Delta Phi men, have a two-thirds majority among the first tenors, but aside from this fact, it may be truthfully said that the club gives promise of great proficiency. Rapid progress has been made and from indications it will soon be a worthy companion to our Banjo Club, which is probably the best in America. Anyhow, it is the best in the university.

C. R. McKAY..

Baltimore, Maryland, March 13, 1890.

COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

District of Columbia Alpha has been dormant for some time, notwithstanding the repeated efforts of Brother Van Cleve to arouse it. If you could have attended our meeting of the 8th, however, you would doubtless have agreed that the enthusiasm of the chapter knew no bounds, and there is no longer room for doubt that the good work will be carried on during the remainder of the year, if the pledge of a jolly good lot of Phi Psis is to be depended upon.

Columbian is progressing splendidly. Indeed this is a red-letter year for the university. The co-educational system has been adopted, you will perhaps remember, and fifteen charming daughters of Washington (Washington City, I mean) are availing themselves of its privileges. The collegiate department numbers something over fifty, exclusive of the preparatory, while the law and medical schools swell this number to about six hundred.

While Washington has lost the World's Fair, there is very little reason for regret, particularly if one of the many bills now being considered by Congress for the establishment at the Capital of a National University, should become a law. The sum of \$8,000,000 is estimated as a starter, and it is proposed to lay the corner-stone on the 400th anniversary of the Columbian discovery.

The Methodists, under the leadership of Bishop Hurst, are using every effort to raise funds for founding a Methodist University here. Already several handsome subscriptions have been received, and a suburban tract of ninety acres has been purchased as a site. With these prospective institutions, together with the Catholic University, which has recently been dedicated, and the existing colleges here, Washington seems destined to become the educational center of America. There is no reason why it should not be so, it seems to me, being surrounded, as it is, with every advantage to students in the way of libraries, galleries of art, museums and scientific institutions of every description.

To "return to our muttons," the chapter now promises to flourish as it never has before, and we hope by the next issue of *THE SHIELD* to be able to inform you of some worthy addition to our ranks. Present prospects point to a full delegation to represent the interests of District of Columbia Alpha at Chicago.

F. WEBB HODGE.

Washington, D. C., March 10, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Examinations are concluded and everybody is happy once more. Our men came out with flying colors, and the chapter, individually and collectively, has been busily engaged in celebrating the same on every available occasion since.

We have the pleasure of introducing the latest victim of our esteemed billy, Bro. J. Adams Hayne, of Greenville, South Carolina, otherwise known as "the Corporal," who encountered the vigorous attention of William with a smile upon his fair young countenance, took one smell of billy's breath, (we had been feeding billy on sulphur for two months), and smole no more. Brother Legaré was appointed assistant butter for the occasion, and produced an impression

upon the buttee of which he has spoken in feeling terms ever since. Joking aside, Brother Hayne is a great acquisition to the chapter, and has already shown a loyal devotion to the interests of $\Phi K \Psi$, and a degree of penetration remarkable for one of his age, in refusing sundry pressing invitations from our various rivals.

Immediately after the examinations, some of the brothers indulged in a week's hunt amid the wilds of the Wateree Swamp. We encamped on the banks of the Congaree, about 35 miles from Columbia, and abjured all connection with civilization and its inconveniences for the space of seven days. Brother Grimké especially distinguished himself as a large eater, demolishing nine-tenths of a 'possum at one sitting. Brother G. also displayed his ability in the remarkable accomplishment of holding mules through a crack in the fence, in order to avoid more direct contact with "the nawsty brutes." Brother Johnson showed himself above all civilized formalities by parading through the city on his return in full hunting regalia, and becoming thereby the center of attraction for the mob. Brother Legaré shot a 18 pound trout (on land), and bulldozed us all into believing he had really killed it in the water. This was a remarkable occurrence. Everybody had a good time and each one says the other ate the most, so there is unfortunately no way in which to ascertain precisely to whom that honor belongs. We are afraid, however, that Brother Grimké will carry off the palm.

Last Saturday night "the Boudoir" was the scene of a particularly festive event, at which Brother Grimké's friends assisted himself and Brother Hayne in demolishing an unlimited quantity of turkey and accompanying comestibles. On the following Tuesday, at 11 P. M., the same classic apartment witnessed the gathering of the $\Phi \Psi$ clan in honor of billy's latest victim, who so far forgot himself, however, as to compose a poem in honor of the occasion, in punishment of which temerity we subjoin a specimen of the same:

"Fill high the bowl with Samian wine,
No true Phi Psi will e'er decline;
To-night we toast our noble order,
And to the skies in praises laud her."

However opinion might have been divided as to Brother Hayne's odifying properties, we were all unanimous as to the merits of his oysters and sherry, and voted the occasion the most enjoyable in the recent history of the chapter. We are very much *sub tegumine tibi*, Brother Hayne.

Nor is this all. On next Saturday night the "Wateree Rangers" will entertain their friends with oysters and wild ducks in the same place, and Brother H. and his friends will help each other celebrate his birthday on the 18th, under very much the same circumstances. "Blessings never come alone." We are in danger of developing some professional epicures—that is the only drawback.

The university foot ball team has challenged Wofford College to a game here next week, and we hope to be able to pulverize them successfully. We have an excellent base ball team this year. The boys are good steady players, and are strong at every point, with an average weight of about 165 pounds. Our new grounds, with fence and grand stand, we hope to see completed in two

weeks, and we will then have a field for athletic sports second to very few either North or South.

We were very sorry to part with Bro. Rawlins Lowndes, who left college a few weeks since to go into business. He was always faithful to the interests of the chapter, and in losing him from our midst we have lost not only a good worker, but a faithful brother and a true and affectionate friend. He was always popular with the students, and attained among them a mental, moral and physical eminence.

Brother McLure, '91, has been elected chairman of the Commencement Ball Committee, with Brother Legaré as chairman of Committee on Invitations.

Brother Love, '90, is secretary of the Clariosophic Society, and Brother Legaré chief marshal from the same for the June celebration, with Brother Hayne as assistant.

Brother Grimké was recently elected vice-president of the University Law Association.

G. S. LEGARÉ.

Columbia, South Carolina, March 13, 1890.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since writing the last letter several events have happened which I think are worthy of notice. On the 20th of February "The State Oratorical Contest" was held at Springfield, Ohio. As it was so near home a great number of students from here went to participate in the festivities of the occasion. About 150 embraced the opportunity of enjoying a holiday, and, if the contest should result favorably for us, letting off the superfluous enthusiasm which has been accumulating for sometime, in the shape of the new college yell. But we were doomed to disappointment. The enthusiasm was all right, but the opportunity did not come. Nearly all of the members of the chapter went down, and we were very nicely entertained by the Springfield chapter in their elegant hall.

On the 22d of February the usual class rush between the freshmen and sophomores was made, but with a great deal more spirit than has been shown for some time past. The older students say that it was one of the best they ever saw. In the morning the class orations were given in the old Thompson chapel amid scenes of unusual acclamation and hilarity. All seemed to think that it was their duty to make the most of it—and they did. In the evening, instead of the usual military prize drill, a special reception was given by the young ladies at the seminary.

On the 28th of February the Pan-Hellenic banquet was held. A new departure was made in the initiation of the $\Sigma A E$ fraternity. This was the first time that a fraternity has been initiated into the deep and dark mysteries of Pan-Hellenism. It was quite an event, therefore, and one which had been looked forward to with a great deal of interest by every fraternity man in college. When the appointed hour arrived, the $\Sigma A s$ were ushered into the hall with all due pomp and ceremony, then they were put through a series of evolutions calculated to inspire qualms of conscience and thoughts of the hereafter. After the initiation all sat down to the banquet which was one of the best ever

served. When the banquet was finished all marched to the seminary, where the band played a few pieces to enliven the hearts of the fair inmates; we then proceeded to the residence of our president, Dr. Bashford. From there all went to their rooms to enjoy a few hours of needed rest.

Bro. W. C. Kennedy, '89, spent last Sunday with us. He is the same genial, good-hearted Web who graduated last June. We are always glad to see any and all of our alumni, and I can assure them that they will always receive a hearty welcome.

Our present term closes about the middle of next week, when we have a short vacation of one week.

The week after the opening of next term comes the Grand Arch Council at Chicago. We will be represented by two or three brothers, besides the regular delegates. Let all go who can, and swell the crowd.

J. B. FORAKER, JR.

Delaware, Ohio, March 12, 1890.

WOOSTER.

Ohio Gamma sends greetings to all sister chapters. Since our last communication we have pledged Mr. Will Gray, of Wooster, who has all the qualifications of a true Phi Psi.

It is with much gratification that we welcome the news that Bro. Perley M. Cartmell, founder of Ohio Gamma, has been appointed postmaster of Springfield, Ohio. A better choice could not have been made.

Ohio Gamma will be represented at the Grand Arch Council by Bro. Ed. Kibler, '80, of Newark, Ohio, as alumnus delegate, and Brothers Glover and Voorhees as active delegates. Other members of the chapter hope to be able to attend.

The annual Pan-Hellenic banquet was held February 28th, and was a success in every respect. Eighty-eight fraternity men indulged in the pleasures of the evening. The toast on "The Goat" by Brother Falconer, brought forth much merited applause. We are glad to hear that Delaware adopted the same method as used at Wooster last year, in their initiation of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. We hope that the Sigma Alphas will prove as good brothers in Pan-Hellenic as the Alpha Taus have at Wooster.

Bro. Obed Yost, of Illinois Gamma, Monmouth, Illinois, a student of Cleveland Medical College, spent a few days with us in Wooster. He is a noble Phi Psi and a royal good fellow.

At the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest this year, Wooster was represented for the first time by a non-fraternity man.

The leading feature at the Washington Birthday Entertainment this year was the University Orchestra, under the direction of Bro. F. D. Glover. This organization is looked upon with pride by all members of the university.

Our college annual, *The Index*, will soon make its appearance. Brother Glover has most diligently looked after the interests of $\Phi K \Psi$ in this publication.

With hopes that we shall all meet in Chicago, we bid you "*aufwiedersehen*."

C. M. VOORHEES.

Wooster, Ohio, March 10, 1890.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Nothing of particular importance has happened during the last month in the university. All the brothers have been working hard, and they all to a more or less extent look forward to the short spring vacation as furnishing a respite from arduous duty. Some of the brothers will visit at home, the rest will stay here, and all will endeavor to enjoy themselves.

Brother Boland has been at home on the sick list for the last two or three weeks, but he will be back next term and take up his studies again. Brother Eads is thinking of staying out the spring term, much to the regret of the brothers and the community in general.

That yearly event in our chapter, the taking of a group picture, will occur soon; this week, perhaps.

We have a decidedly new feature, to us at least, in literary work, and it is a vast improvement over the old. In place of the cut and dried work that is gone through with in the literary societies, our exercises are extemporaneous and consist of a speech, a discourse, an address, or whatever it may be called, on a subject given out by the committee on literary work. There is scarcely anyone but that would like to be able to make an easy, flowing, and brilliant impromptu speech, and we think that by pursuing our present course faithfully that we will do ourselves much good in this line.

As delegates to the Grand Arch Council, Brother Buskirk has been elected from the alumni, and Brothers O'Donnell and Moore from the chapter, with Bro. E. S. Robinson as alternate. While we can not all go, we will be there in spirit with many wishes that those who do attend may have a grand time.

About February 22d occurred here, as at many other places in the state, the annual fight over the burning of Horace. The freshmen came off victorious every time when it came to physical strength, but the book was burned through strategy. There were many narrow escapes and thrilling adventures.

The primary oratorical contest was held last week, to select a representative for the state oratorical. Whether the university will be admitted into the state contest remains to be seen, as for the past four years this institution has sent no man up to Indianapolis. As there is nothing more to be said, we close.

LINNÆUS HINES.

Bloomington, Indiana, March 12, 1890.

WABASH COLLEGE.

Old Wabash has passed through quite lively times of late, but since that never-to-be-forgotten 22d of February, things have gradually settled down, and now all runs smooth in the quiet little town of Crawfordsville. The reports of the proceedings which we passed through have, no doubt, reached all parts of the country, but, as such things usually are, were greatly exaggerated. We do sincerely hope that the college will not be injured by those widespread and unnecessary items which had scarcely a word of truth in them. We do not, as it is, fear for her future; no one has been expelled, as was reported, the "Doctor" only indulged us in a "little talk." We hope that the reports of our next 22d

will be more creditable to the institution. It has always had many good friends, and has profited much by the generosity of different men.

A few days ago there was much rejoicing and enthusiasm throughout the college, when it was announced that Mr. Simon Yantes, of Indianapolis, entirely of his own accord, had given \$50,000 for a new library building and for the benefit of the library itself. This same gentleman, it will be remembered, last summer, gave \$10,000 to the college, and last fall endowed the chair of English, occupied by Bro. A. B. Milford, with \$40,000. Wabash already possesses the largest college library in the state, and with this recent gift, we may confidently predict that in a few years she will possess the largest in the West. She certainly has very bright prospects.

On the evening of February 22d the annual contest debate of the literary societies, the Calliopean and the Lyceum, took place. The honor of victory, for the third consecutive year, was conferred on the Calliopean.

Last Friday night, March 7th, the oratorical contest for state representative was held at Music Hall. Urban Stover, a member of a local fraternity here, took first place, and we trust he may hold his own in the state contest which will take place later on in the spring.

The junior annual, *The Ouatatenon*, which by mistake was mentioned in the February SHIELD as *The Miatenon*, is getting along finely. Bro. Ed. McCulloch is doing the majority of the drawing for the cuts, and is universally recognized throughout the college as an artist. Brother Crouse, too, although his time is considerably taken up by the business-managership, finds time to do some drawing, and he will also have several cuts in the annual.

Fraternity news is scarce at this time of the year, as most of the available men have settled down into the different frats.; and although we can not in this letter present any new names as members, still we may just mention the fact that we have several pledged men, two of whom will join us next term. We are in a very good condition; our social relations most harmonious, and we trust they may remain so. Such a state of affairs, we feel, is absolutely essential to good work in a chapter. Otherwise a feeling of discontent arises which must ultimately result in ruin. Numbers cut no figure in the case when there is not congeniality. So it is with the fraternity at large. We never want to see Phi Kappa Psi a fraternity of a large number of chapters among which there is dissension. We would much rather she would remain as she is, and so do we steadily cling to a conservative doctrine, hoping ever to see old Phi Psi established only in the best colleges of the land.

Bro. J. R. Hanna, the honorable Archon of our district, often pays us a visit, and we always welcome him heartily. He is ever ready and able to give good, sound advice to all Phi Psis. Last Friday night he appeared with Brother (Col.) Harvey, who was here on a short visit. We spent a very pleasant evening, and would like to see and hear more of our alumni.

We hope to meet many of our brothers at the Grand Arch Council, where we can more fully and directly discuss the leading topics which now absorb the

attention of the fraternity. We earnestly hope that only those things may be done which will render our organization stronger than ever, and show to everybody that we are in the "front guard." JAMES H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, March 12, 1890.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Another month of the college year has passed, and it is again my pleasant duty to address THE SHIELD and our sister chapters. The examinations of the winter term are almost upon us, and the boys are busy at the usual occupation customary among students the week previous to these plagues of our college days.

In looking over the work of the term we find much to congratulate ourselves upon. Our energies have been concentrated more particularly upon internal improvements, and the cultivation of friendship and brotherly love, for in numbers we are as strong as we could wish. There has been a marked increase in interest in the discussion of general fraternity topics. The coming G. A. C. is discussed with enthusiasm, and the anticipation of participating in the grand event that is to be so near us makes us feel highly privileged, for undoubtedly our chapter, as a whole, will derive more benefit from it than any other in the country. We are making arrangements to have a reception for the delegates at the chapter hall, and give them a chance to inspect the fittings of the university and the beauties of Chicago's prettiest suburb.

University Day was celebrated February 21. The students of the Chicago departments all came to Evanston as guests of the College of Liberal Arts for their annual meeting as parts of one university. Inspection of the buildings, athletic exhibition in the gymnasium, and a reception at the "fem. sem." occupied the hours of the afternoon. In the evening the entire company met in the auditorium of the First M. E. Church to listen to the toasts from the representatives of the different departments, sing college songs and have a general good time.

Brother Ward has been obliged to leave college, to attend to the business of his brother, who died recently at Aurora, Ill. Brother Ward is an enthusiastic $\Phi \Psi$, and has ever been a solid, substantial member of the chapter. We regret exceedingly that he finds it necessary to drop out of college.

Bro. J. L. Alabaster and Brother Maltman took part in an elocutionary recital at the Auditorium Recital Hall, Chicago, given by Prof. Walter C. Lyman and his pupils on March 4th.

Brother Moulding has been reelected captain of the University base ball team for the coming season, and is secretary of the "Western College Base Ball Association." This year's team is to be as good as or better than our team last year, who won the championship of the league. Work in the gymnasium has been going on for some time, and the boys will be fully prepared when the season opens.

STEWART A. MALTMAN.

Evanston, Illinois, March 13, 1890.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Our loyal "band of the faithful" is soon to lose an honored member from its midst, and it was with a desire to bid him a last affectionate farewell and god-speed that we gave a dancing party on the night of the 17th of February, as an expression of esteem and respect. Bro. Bert Hull, the honored one, is soon to graduate from the Medical Department, and when he leaves, will carry with him the heartiest wishes for success that we can bestow. As to the party, we may indulge a feeling of vanity and announce that it was a complete success. With the dancing was combined unrestrained mirth; with the banquet, a merry flow of joy and laughter, and the girls brought their winsome ways and captivating smiles with them, so nothing was lacking to a whole-souled "good time." Everybody embraced the opportunity, and the fleeting hours were too fleet and the passing moments too passing. We were pleased to have with us on that joyful occasion, Brothers Bollinger and Schroeder, of Davenport, and they did their share in tripping to the strains of music, in doing justice to the sumptuous repast, and in entertaining the ladies. All in all, the affair was a most delightful one, and bespeaks Iowa Alpha's prosperity.

The university is ever to the front in anything that concerns her advancement and is conducive to her development, and to this end has organized a booming athletic association. Brother Benson was one of the delegates to the state association at Mt. Pleasant, and though unsuccessful in securing for the State University of Iowa the field day exercises this year, won many friends and acquaintances during his brief stay. Phi Psi has some material with which to come to the front in this line and we propose to do it.

The average Phi Psi here wears a very literary aspect just now. He bears the stamp of an eloquent orator or a skillful debater. As an extempore speaker or a lightning declaimer he has no peer. If you look for a cause for this sudden transformation—evolution, if you please, you find it to be the result of our weekly literary exercises. We would not be understood to speak lightly of this matter for its importance and unmeasured benefit is clearly seen, and knowing a good thing we propose to perpetuate it.

While not purely fraternity news, we must, however, relate the glorious victory of old State University of Iowa in the state oratorical contest, held but recently at Mt. Pleasant. It was a victory deservedly won, and the orator, a promising sophomore, has a bright future before him. His success is our success, and we hope, nay expect much from him in the Inter-State contest at Lincoln, Nebraska. With cordial greetings to all brothers, we close.

CARL A. STUTSMAN.

Iowa City, Iowa, March 11, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Since writing to *THE SHIELD* we have "passed" our examinations, and to-day we enter upon the work of the spring term. Chapel exercises were held to-day for the first time for over a month, the chapel as well as other parts of the main building, damaged by fire, having been undergoing repairs. Instead of the smoky old walls, bright new paper gives the room a cheerful appearance,

while the replacing of the old pyramidal oil-lamp chandeliers by gas fixtures, shows the spirit of advancement that directs the workings of the institution and greatly increases the attractive appearance of the chapel. Our chapel is not supplied with opera chairs, as is our brothers' at Illinois Alpha, but the seats have been revarnished and some new furnishings have been provided for the stage.

As we write we remember the near approach of the G. A. C. Minn. Beta will send two delegates, Brothers Soares and Timberlake, both '91. We have but one alumnus, Bro. O. L. Triggs, '89, a Fellow of the University, and exceedingly busy, owing to the teaching that he does in the college aside from his special studies. Being so near we should like to send a larger representation, but shall hope that those we do send will bring back to us a "double portion." Brother Soares is one of two college men chosen by the Minnesota Y. M. C. A. State Committee to do deputation work in the College Young Men's Christian Associations of Minnesota and Dakota. C. J. Swain, of Carleton College, is his co-worker. The deputations of the different states will meet in a national conference in Chicago, April 10th to 14th. Brother Soares will be there.

The third preliminary contest for the Pillsbury prize came off the 27th of February, and of the ten who received places five were Phi Psis; Bros. F. W. Triggs, '93, and B. H. Timberlake, '91, being awarded the first and second places respectively. A vote by the audience gave Brother Soares first and Brother Timberlake second. Of the ten who have stood highest, putting all preliminaries together, four are $\Phi \Psi$ s. The list is headed by two $\Phi \Psi$ s, and the eleventh man is also a $\Phi \Psi$.

The foot ball team had a picture taken recently, and four $\Phi \Psi$ s are to be seen in that. Brother Woodward has an imposing position in the center of the group picture of the Glee Club. Brothers Bailey and Soares have been on the *Ariel* board during the past year. Brother Conger was on the '90 *Gopher* board, and B. H. Timberlake is on the board for '91. The *Ariel* election comes off March 22d. That is the time we all get peanuts and oranges, but Minn. Beta does not expect to buy any this year. A lunch counter has been started in the university; we'll get flap-jacks and maple syrup this year.

We had a very delightful time last Friday night at the home of Brother Bushnell, 1002 W. Franklin. Nearly all "the boys" and a few of Harley's friends met there, bringing their ladies, and enjoyed a pleasant little hop together, with a "social time" and a luncheon such as few can spread beside Mrs. Bushnell. We have royal hosts at Brother Bushnell's house, and Brothers Graves and Conger know how to make the boys feel at home when they "invite us over," too. Brother Bushnell will leave college this spring to accompany his mother on an extended visit in the East. They leave about the first of April, and it is quite likely Brother Bushnell will thus be able to attend the G. A. C., giving Minn. Beta three representatives.

Hoping to see great things accomplished at the convention, and to see all the boys, we turn to our bran new psychology.

B. H. TIMBERLAKE.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 11, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF PACIFIC.

It is not without some hesitation that a sophomore quill-driver takes up his arduous task of penning the events connected with California Alpha, which has been for the past year so satisfactorily performed by Brother Wilcox, who is one of our seniors.

This year our "Golden State" has been visited by one of those "unheard of before winters in California," when it rains all the time—it has now rained steadily for three months.

Between the elements and "la grippe" our students feel rather demoralized. In the midst of this lassitude California Alpha decided to show her colors, even in the rain, and celebrate Washington's birthday. To add to the natural beauty of the place we decorated the windows and porch with Chinese lanterns. About 8:30 found forty-five as loyal $\Phi \Psi$ boys and girls as could be found. Although no formal programme was arranged, numerous pieces were presented during the evening. "That the time might pass more gaily, and the guests be more contented," a bountiful supper was prepared in the lower hall, which all enjoyed.

• With a great amount of persuasion, "Jim," our Chinese cook, consented to sing us a Chinese song. We know not whether Jim is gifted with a melodious voice or not, according to the oriental idea, at all events we enjoyed it, as it was so extremely novel.

By the time the next letter is ready to go, we will have another brother to present.

A new fraternity threatens to enter the University of the Pacific, which will relieve us of many of those heretofore styled barbs. The name of the fraternity is yet a secret.

We have received a life-size photo of Brother Foraker, which has been beautifully framed and now hangs on our wall.

Our chapter has had a group picture of twenty-one taken. We would like to exchange with any of the chapters desiring to do so. It might be a presumption to say it is a fine-looking crowd of men, but as the photographer exhibits it in his hall show-case we may not presume too much.

The officers for the ensuing term are as follows: E. A. Wilcox, '90; J. P. Ross, '90; H. R. Timm, '93; F. G. Canney, '92; C. B. Whitmer, '93; O. W. Marsh, '93; R. L. Gruell, '93; T. M. Burwell, '93.

Best regards to all the $\Phi \Psi$ world.

FRED. G. CANNEY.

College Park, Cal., March 7, 1890.

Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA B.

Joseph Shippen, Esq., '56, of Meadville, delivered a very instructive lecture in the college chapel last week to a very interesting audience, under the auspices of the Allegheny Literary Society, of which he was a member while in college.

Hon. Henry T. Patten, '57, is Judge of the Probate Court, Benton County, Missouri.

Sidney G. Brock, '59, has been appointed Chief of the Bureau of Statistics, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

Hon. John W. Phillips, '60, who resides at Sixth and Locust Sts., St. Louis, is Judge of the Supreme Court of Missouri.

The Cambridge Jeffersonian, the largest weekly paper in Eastern Ohio, is owned and published by Bro. John M. Amos, '61.

Alexander Ashley, '61, No. 2012 G St., N. W., Washington, D. C., is chief clerk of the Signal Bureau.

Adam C. Hickman, '62, of St. Paul, Minnesota, formerly State Senator is Judge of the Probate Court.

Edwin B. Cummings, '62, residing in Deadwood, South Dakota, edits *The Ruralist*, the official organ of the South Dakota Farmers Alliance.

J. Riley Weaver, '63, who was formerly U. S. Consul at Brindisi, Italy; at Antwerp, Belgium; and Vienna, Austria, is now Professor of Modern Languages and Political Philosophy at De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana.

Dana L. Hubbard, '65, is assistant editor of the *Indianapolis Journal*.

D. B. Heiner, '79, District Attorney of Armstrong Co., Pa., for the last two years, has been announced as a candidate for Congress in that district.

Arthur L. Bates, '80, who was one of the vice-presidents of the National Republican Clubs during the Harrison campaign, has been elected President of the Young Men's Republican Club of Crawford Co.

We were highly gratified at the visit which Bro. Warner P. Cary, ex-'88, of South Bend, Indiana, paid us last week. He and his estimable wife, the daughter of Bro. John McClintock, were visiting relatives in Meadville.

Frank A. Cattern, '89, has resigned his position of Principal of Schools at Scituate, Mass., to accept a similar one at Norwell, Mass.

We are glad to learn that Bro. Clarence Miller, who left us last fall to remove to St. Louis, Missouri, where he now holds a responsible position with the St. Louis Stamping Co., intends re-entering college and active $\Phi \Psi$ life next fall, either at Johns Hopkins University or at De Pauw in Indiana.

Arthur Barnes, ex-'91, enjoys a lucrative position on the engineering corps of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

PENNSYLVANIA I.

'54. Dr. Robert Lowry, our worthy president, has the warm sympathy of his chapter, Pennsylvania Gamma, in his bereavement. In our chapter letter will be found the resolution adopted by the chapter.

'69. Bro. A. A. Leiser, attorney at law, recently wrote the chapter a letter correcting an error in *THE SHIELD*. This shows his hearty interest in $\Phi \Psi$. We stand ready to be corrected on any erroneous statements, and hope the brothers at large will apprise us of any errors that may occur.

'63. Rev. O. P. Eaches, D. D., will deliver the annual sermon before the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday, April 13, 1890. Dr. Eaches is one of the most influential and successful pastors of New Jersey.

'58. Bro. George P. Wilson, LL. D., of Minneapolis, recently favored us with a very interesting letter. Brother Wilson is one of the most prominent men of Minneapolis, having filled many high state offices. He still maintains an interest in Gamma. He was recently elected Vice-President of the Minneapolis Alumni Association.

'81. Bro. Rev. F. H. Shermer has been meeting with great success in Sunbury, where he has charge of the First Baptist Church.

'90. Bro. J. Harry Haslam recently supplied the pulpit of the Northumberland Baptist Church, and has received a unanimous call to the pastorate. Not having finished his course of study, Brother Haslam has twice declined the call to this church, but he will possibly locate there for the summer. Brother Haslam also supplied the First Baptist Church of Sunbury, where he had before preached in the Presbyterian Church.

'91. Bro. A. Lincoln Moore supplied the pulpit of the Broad Street Baptist Church, Philadelphia, on February 23d. This is his second appearance in the Philadelphia pulpit, vacated by Dr. C. E. Adams.

The Bucknell Catalogue, edited by Bro. W. C. Gretzinger, will be out in a short time and promises to show Bucknell in a more prosperous condition than ever.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

'56. T. W. Dosh, D. D., died at his home in Burkittsville, Md., December 24, 1889. He was born November 21, 1830, in Strasburg, Va.; entered our preparatory in 1851; delivered the valedictory at graduation; studied theology at our seminary; was licensed to preach in 1858. He was for some time editor of *The Lutheran Home*, and from May, '74, to May, '78, editor of the *Lutheran Visitor*. He received the degree of D. D. from Roanoke College in 1875. On November 3, 1864, he was married to Miss Kate B. Brown, of Winchester, Va., who with five children survives him. His body was interred in Winchester. His death is deeply felt, especially in the South where he spent most of his years.

'57. J. A. Earnest, D. D., recently preached his fifth anniversary sermon as pastor of the Mifflinburg (Pa.) charge. He has added 208 to the membership, and the benevolent contributions aggregate \$2,145. In addition to the usual local expenses \$2,500 have been paid for a parsonage and \$600 by his country congregation for a sexton's house. The high esteem in which he is held by his members and the community increases as the years go on.

'62. Hon. F. E. Beltzhoover is frequently mentioned as the probable Democratic candidate for Congress in his district.

'65. Pres. H. W. McKnight, D. D., on February 27th, received the honorary degree of LL. D. from Lafayette College. He bears it with equanimity and goes about his duties as if nothing had happened. Hearty congratulations.

'66. W. W. Witmer, a member of the New England Loan and Trust Co., residing in Des Moines, Iowa, will spend the next six months in New York City. He belongs to a strong corporation and is doing an excellent business.

'67. Prof. Hart Gilbert has been appointed Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for Adams County, Pa., and has resigned his chair in the Shippensburg Normal School. That institution parts with his services with much regret.

'69. Rev. T. R. Beeber, the pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Norristown, has established a congregational circulating library.

'74. Dr. Chas. Baum and Dr. W. R. Hoch, '77, are still in Europe. Will likely return in a few months.

'77. G. P. Miller, J. U. D., of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has been spending some weeks in Philadelphia for rest and recreation, as the guest of Dr. John Marshall, '78, Assistant Professor in Chemistry and Dean of the Veterinary Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

'81. Rev. F. R. Kahler either committed suicide or was murdered on February 22d, while on his way from Reading to Millersburg. His body was found along the East Pennsylvania Railroad, about two miles from Allentown, with a bullet-hole in the head. In his pocket was found a letter, evidently not written by himself, asking that his body be sent to his brother in Reading. This and the fact that but 23 cents were found on his person point to foul play. After graduating, Mr. Kahler taught a year in Mifflinburg, as Principal of the High School. He then spent a year in our seminary and taught in the preparatory, after which he completed his theological course at Yale and entered the Congregational ministry. He served a church at North Guilford, Conn., 1885-'88 and one at Southington, Conn., since 1888.

'83. Dr. Allen J. Smith is making some notable experiments in the staining of microscopical sections of nervous tissue. The results give promise of a valuable acquisition to Pathology.

'89. At the fifth anniversary banquet of the Mechanicsburg Hook and Ladder Company, R. W. Short, the secretary, was called on to respond to the final toast, "Our Anniversary;" and well did he do it. His speech was published in the *Carlisle Sentinel*, of the next day.

'90. V. H. Fager is an assistant in the Chemical Laboratory of the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

Postmaster Johnson yesterday appointed ex-city councilman F. Albert Kurtz, of the twenty-second ward, as assistant postmaster. Mr. Kurtz was born in Baltimore on October 5, 1854, and is the son of the late T. Newton Kurtz. After attending a private school in the city he entered the Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, in 1873, and graduated there in 1877. He was graduated from the Maryland University Law School in 1879, but owing to the illness of his father, did not enter into practice but took charge of the business on Pratt street, which he is still conducting. Mr. Kurtz was a candidate for the Legislature from Baltimore county in 1887, but was defeated. In 1889 after the annex of a portion of the Belt he was elected to the First Branch of the City Council from the twenty-

second ward. He ran again at the last election, but was defeated. He was an alternate at the last Republican National Convention, and voted for Vice-President Morton, for delegate Gen. Adam E. King. Mr. Kurtz is President of the North Baltimore Republican Club, and is also an active member of the Young Men's Republican Club. The salary of the office is \$3,000 per year, just half that of the postmaster.—*Baltimore Herald, February 25th.*

The Lutheran Observer issued a supplement February 7th, in memory of Bro. George D. Gotwald. The paper contained his portrait, a sketch of his life, and tributes of respect from various distinguished members of his church.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

'79. W. N. Mumper is teaching in Cincinnati, Ohio. His address is East Ridgeway Ave., Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.

'84. Rev. A. A. Arthur is now completing a very successful pastorate of three years at St. Luke's charge, Bryn Mawr, Pa. The quarterly conference of this charge at its last meeting passed a series of resolutions highly commending their pastor for his fidelity and efficiency, and declaring their readiness to receive him back for a fourth year should the Bishop and his council deem it wise to return him.

PENNSYLVANIA Θ.

'86. Bro. Charles B. Greer had a very serious attack of la grippe and was confined to his bed for a long while. He is about again but much the worse for his sickness.

'88. Bro. A. W. Cummins (better known as "Beef") is city editor on *Wilmington News*, and takes a great interest in $\Phi \Psi$.

'89. Bro. E. R. Cochran is practicing law in the same place.

'90. Bro. H. A. Mackey was a representative of Lafayette to the Inter-Collegiate Press Association. He is also practicing daily for his old position on the base ball team.

'90. Brothers Bailey, Loose and Godcharles, '92, are members of the Lafayette Gun Club, recently formed here.

'90. Brother Hoke sings second bass on the quartette.

'91. Brother Babbitt has been elected Secretary of the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association. He is at present sick at his home in Morristown, New Jersey.

'91. Brother Dale has been leading the base ball drill the past term in the gymnasium.

VIRGINIA A.

Messrs. Samuel B. Woods, Mayor of Charlottesville, and Lewis D. Aylett, formerly Treasurer of the Georgia Pacific Railway, Birmingham, Alabama, are associated together in the practice of law and the handling of real estate in the city of Charlottesville, Virginia, and the surrounding country.

Dr. Hugh T. Nelson, another one of our alumni, is one of the most prominent physicians in Charlottesville.

SOUTH CAROLINA A.

'87. Bro. Thos. B. Butler is meeting with phenomenal success in Union, and his extensive and lucrative legal practice is fast assuming proportions that no ordinary intellect can master.

'88. Brother Sims was with us for a few days after examination.

'89. Brother Barber has just returned from an extensive official tour through the Gulf States in the interests of Southern extension, and reports a very promising outlook in some of the State institutions on which $\Phi K \Psi$ has an eye.

'91. Bro. J. A. Weeks is busily assisting in the development of Dallas, Texas, and reports that $\Phi K \Psi$ s are hardly as plentiful as cowboys in that particular center of civilization.

'91. Brother Lowndes has a position on the South Carolina Railway.

'91. Bro. Francis Parker is at present perched upon the Palisades of the Hudson, and engaged in the rapid development of his herculean biceps.

OHIO A.

President J. E. Stubbs, '73, of Baldwin University, Berea, intends to spend the summer in European travel and study.

Rev. Dr. A. B. Riker, pastor of the First M. E. Church of Chattanooga, Tennessee, has recently closed a revival which resulted in 250 conversions.

College and Fraternity Notes.

Cornell University has twenty-seven fraternities.

A T Ω Palm is striving to revive interest in Pan-Hellenism by the formation of a Pan-Hellenic League.

The most recent issue of the *Chi Phi Quarterly* is favored with elaborate tributes to the memory of the late H. W. Grady.

K A Θ, at her late convention, changed her signs, pass-words and grip, and adopted a new ritual, the old one being faulty and unsatisfactory.

The strength of every great educational institution is in the love and active loyalty of her alumni.—*President Warren, of Boston University.*

It is rumored that Dr. McCosh has given up his hostilities in fraternity matters, and that at least six leading orders will take up their old haunts at Princeton again.—*Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly.*

Delta Tau Delta has adopted the pansy, and Beta Theta Pi the rose, as fraternity flowers. The hollyhock and the daisy have not as yet been heard from.—*X Φ Quarterly.*

Miami has now one United States Senator and four representatives in the lower house, besides the President of the United States and one member of his cabinet.

Delta Psi has withdrawn her charter from Washington and Lee. This leaves the fraternity but two active chapters in the South—the Universities of Virginia and Mississippi.—*K A Journal.*

At least four college presidents are traveling in Europe under leave of absence this year: Doctors Gilman, of Johns Hopkins; Seelye, of Amherst; Magill, of Swarthmore, and Tanner, of Illinois.—*Phœnix.*

The trustees of the Ohio Wesleyan University expect to erect, next year, a fine chapel building at a cost of \$75,000. It will contain an auditorium to seat 1,500, recitation rooms, society halls, laboratories, and armory.—*Scroll.*

The presidents of the State Universities of Georgia, South Carolina, and Virginia, also of Pennsylvania College, Wittenberg, Baldwin University, Macalister, Muhlenberg and Parsons, are members of *Φ K Ψ* fraternity.—*Palm.*

The Pennsylvania College Monthly for February contains a timely and well written article on the Scope and Purposes of the Dr. Chas. H. Graff Professorship of Hygiene and Physical Culture, by the incumbent, Dr. G. D. Stahley.

W. H. Siebert, of the Ohio State University chapter, is striving hard to keep *B Θ Π* alive at Harvard, with fair prospects of success. Of the thirteen members of the chapter, only one is a Harvard initiate, the others being affiliates from other chapters.—*Scroll*.

The boys of Kansas Alpha, with their lady friends and older brothers, had a royal good time on the evening of February 20th, in celebrating the fourteenth anniversary of the establishment of the chapter. *The University Kansan* gives extended space to an account of the affair.

B Θ Π has entered Dartmouth by absorbing *Σ Δ Π*, a local society. A peculiar feature attendant upon this action was the initiation by the Denison University Chapter of *B Θ Π* of a number of citizens of Newark, Ohio, former members of the *Σ Δ Π*, long removed from college.

Beta Theta Pi has absorbed another fraternity. This time it is the Mystic Seven Fraternity, founded at Wesleyan in 1837. At the time of the union it had four chapters, one at each of the following institutions: University of Virginia, University of North Carolina, Cumberland University, and Davidson College.

In one of the chapter letters, in a former issue of the *Journal*, there was an account of a rushing expedition. The members of the chapter were said to have gone aboard an incoming train to secure a new member. Such a course is not only unwise, undignified, and imprudent, but it is disastrous, if continued, to the position not only of the chapter, but to the order. Far better let the chapter die than to continue in such a course.—*K A Journal for January*.

The tempest-in-a-teapot at the University of Georgia, growing out of the criticism of a member of *X Φ* upon the practice of initiating non-collegians into the chapters of rival fraternities, before it was calmed assumed titanic proportions. We have read the official account of the entire affair as sent out by the Chancellor of the institution, and can find no fault with the reporters of the daily press who charged that the trouble was likely to result in a duel, though it seems that exceptions were taken by those in authority to such a characterization of a school-boy quarrel. It was finally determined that the members of the offending fraternities, *X Φ*, *K A* and *Σ A E*, should be suspended from active participation in chapter duties till the coming June.

Instead of fraternities at Princeton you will find the two oldest and grandest literary societies in this country. The Cliosophic Society, which is the older of the two, was founded in 1765; the Whig Society, which is the junior by four years, was founded in 1769. At present both societies are about completing arrangements to erect new buildings, at a cost of \$35,000 each. The new buildings will be built of cut granite, and so modelled as to preserve the Doric pillars which give such a majestic appearance to the old edifices. In both societies every impetus to literary attainments is given, by holding contests in debates, essays and orations, handsome prizes being given to the successful contestants.

The greatest social event perhaps of this year in college life here, was the dedication, on the last night in January, of the new Phi Kappa Psi hall. It can be called a social event for the reason that not only did the "Kaps," and many of their outside members participate, but also two members from each of the other fraternities here. Alpha Gamma was represented by D. T. Roy and F. H. Gale. It was, no doubt, *the* pan-hellenic affair in our fraternities' history. It gave conclusive evidence that the spirit of jealousy, which often exists between fraternities, is becoming here a relic of the past, and that above the tendency to honor and maintain one's own society, there is manifested "that spirit which makes mankind akin."—*Ohio State University Correspondent in Σ X Quarterly.*

But in the matter of assisting chapters to occupy rooms and to build or rent houses, there is a broad field for philanthropic giving, pure and simple. Remember that when you contribute to a chapter-house fund, you are honoring the chapter to which you owe much if not the most of the valuable training which you received at your alma mater; that you are honoring your general fraternity, which is now beginning to be judged to a certain extent by the number of its chapters which occupy or own houses. Remember that you are doing the noblest thing that man can do, namely, the giving of your means that your fellow-men may be happier, and that their youth at college may be of more benefit to themselves, to their fraternity, and to the world.—*Σ X Quarterly.*

The University of Pennsylvania is about to inaugurate a new system of instruction in this country by extending its courses of lectures into neighboring Pennsylvania towns. The scheme now under consideration is essentially as follows: Professors and lecturers of the university staff will be sent to establish courses of lectures on popular and advanced topics in all the larger towns and cities within one hundred or two hundred miles of the city. The residents of these localities will be encouraged in every way to attend. Instruction will be given at a convenient time, and

the effect of the plan will be to establish a score of branches of the university in all the country towns.—*State Journal*.

Although *Z Ψ* claims to exist at Princeton, it is very doubtful if she maintains a very active chapter. Personal inquiry and investigation failed to discover any knowledge even of its alleged presence. If it lives there it must be with the utmost difficulty as the enthusiasm and feeling, which in other colleges are absorbed by the fraternities, are usurped by the semi-secret literary societies. And again, none of their membership could be drawn from the best class of students as every matriculate is required to bind himself not to unite or hold connection with any secret society while a member of the college. If *Z Ψ* exists, it certainly is a shabby sort of existence.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly*.

On January 31st, the Phi Kappa Psi boys gave one of the most elegant social events of the college year. Their new hall in the Monypenny Block was tastefully decorated and nothing was left undone that would add to the comfort and pleasure of their guests. From eight until nine-thirty the merry crowd was assembling and becoming acquainted. The chandeliers hung with ribbons, the beautiful costumes and bright faces of the young ladies and the full dress suits of the gentlemen made a fascinating picture, reminding one of Byron's gathering of "fair women and brave men" before the battle of Waterloo.

Dancing commenced at half past nine, and lasted until one. Ices and luncheon were served during the evening. An original idea with the hosts was to invite two men from each of the fraternities at the university to be present; thus making it a Pan-Hellenic affair. This is a step in the right direction. Instead of the bitter animosities of rival frats. we should have good fellowship between fraternities, as well as between the members of a fraternity. Phi Kappa Psi can not be commended too highly for having introduced that inter-fraternity feature into their entertainment.—*Lantern*.

Theta Delta Chi has advanced a claim recently to being the first fraternity which has ever displayed a flag peculiar to the fraternity. The claim is founded upon the floating of Theta Delta Chi's colors over the Astor House, in New York City, at the annual convention in 1870.

So many of the chapters of the different fraternities have entered and are entering chapter houses, that it has become almost a necessity for every fraternity to adopt a flag for the use of chapters occupying houses.

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Another question worthy of consideration is the selection of a Sigma Chi flower. Beta Theta Pi has selected the rose, leaving the peculiar variety to the taste of each chapter. Delta Tau Delta has selected the pansy. The adoption of a fraternity flower seems a wise and judicious step, not only because of its tendency to develop our *esprit du corps*, but because of its practical utility as a decoration to our publications, menu cards, and the walls of our chapter halls.—*Σ X Quarterly*.

Miscellany.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *Δ Y Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with *THE SHIELD* for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

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Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. *THE SHIELD*'s files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

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We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following:

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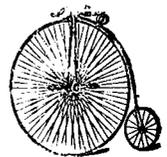
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GRAND ARCH COUNCIL.

The fifteenth Grand Arch Council of the $\Phi K \Psi$ fraternity is a thing of the past, yet it will ever be remembered by the participants as the most successful and thoroughly enjoyable convention in the history of the fraternity.

Much credit is due the Chicago Alumni Association for the able manner in which they conducted the task of entertaining so large an assembly. Surely, the alumni association, as an institution, is proving itself a growing power in maintaining the enthusiasm and loyalty of graduates, as well as in materially strengthening the bonds existing throughout the fraternity, as was proven on the present occasion.

In the absence of President Lowry the meeting was opened in due form in the Ladies' Ordinary of the Grand Pacific Hotel by Bro. George W. Dun, Treasurer of the Executive Council, on Wednesday, April 2d, at 10:30 A. M., and prayer was offered by Bro. E. M. Stires, of Va. A.

Upon motion, the Chair was authorized to appoint a committee to examine credentials. Brother Stires, Brother Dubbs, and Bro. George A. Bass were then appointed.

The following brothers were then elected temporary officers:

BROTHER VAN BUSKIRK,	Ind. A	S. W. President.
“ STATHAM,	N. Y. B	S. W. Vice-President.
“ SPRINGER,	Ill. A.....	S. W. Secretary.
“ VOORHEES,	Ohio T.....	S. W. Guide.
“ JACKSON,	Wis. A	S. W. Guard.
“ STIRES,	Va. A.....	S. W. Chaplain.

Recess.

After the Grand Arch Council was called to order the Credential Committee reported the presence of the treasurer and acting secretary

of the Executive Council, Editor of THE SHIELD, and archons of Districts I., II., III., and IV., and the following delegates:

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| Pa. A.— | Ohio Δ. |
| J. L. MARQUIS. | R. K. BEACH. |
| J. L. PORTER. | G. T. PETERS. |
| Pa. B.— | H. F. MILLER. |
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| Pa. H.— | L. V. BUSKIRK. |
| H. H. APPLE. | M. G. MOORE. |
| Pa. K.— | E. O'DONNELL. |
| W. C. SPROUL. | Ind. T.— |
| N. Y. A.— | E. M. MCCULLOCK. |
| R. B. WILCOX. | W. J. COLEMAN. |
| W. H. ROBINSON. | J. R. HANNA. |
| F. O. BISSELL. | Cincinnati Al. Asso.— |
| N. Y. B.— | E. A. DAUMONT. |
| GEORGE W. SCHMIDT. | Springfield Al. Asso.— |
| G. K. STATHAM. | A. D. HOSTERMAN. |
| B. C. MILLER. | Ill. A.— |
| N. Y. Δ.— | GEORGE A. BASS. |
| H. S. GATLEY. | JAMES P. GRIER. |
| N. Y. E.— | GEORGE W. SPRINGER. |
| D. F. OSGOOD. | Mich. A.— |
| Pittsburg Al. Asso.— | R. B. PREBLE. |
| C. W. ASHLEY. | G. M. FORD. |
| H. J. MILLER. | Wis. A.— |
| Va. A.— | W. A. JACKSON. |
| E. M. STIRES. | E. P. WARDEN. |
| Md. A.— | F. H. FOSTER. |
| T. M. BROWN. | Wis. T.— |
| D. C. A.— | A. CARPENTER. |
| J. C. CHRISTY. | S. M. SMITH. |
| Miss. A.— | J. M. SHEEAN. |
| JOHN W. MOSELY, JR. | Iowa A.— |
| Ohio A.— | WILLIAM LARRABEE, JR. |
| PHILIP PHILLIPS, JR. | R. BONSON. |
| R. E. WESTFALL. | C. A. STUTSMAN. |
| C. L. VAN CLEVE. | Minn. B.— |
| Ohio B.— | B. H. TIMBERLAKE. |
| G. B. HILLER. | T. G. SOARES. |
| H. S. LAWRENCE. | HARLEY BUSHNELL. |
| Ohio T.— | Kan. A.— |
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| C. M. VOORHEES. | S. C. BREWSTER. |
| | Chicago Al. Asso.— |
| | CHARLES BOOTH. |
| | W. H. ROBINSON. |
| | MALCOLM OWEN. |

Upon motion, the officers previously elected were made the permanent officers of the Grand Arch Council.

These officers were sworn in by the treasurer of the Executive Council, acting as S. W. President.

Bro. L. V. Buskirk, S. W. President-elect, taking the chair, made a short speech, and asked that the appointment of the several committees be deferred until the afternoon session.

Brother Wilson, secretary of the Executive Council, being absent, Brother Smart, acting secretary, read the report of the secretary; also a report of Brother Barber, who was appointed by the Executive Council to make a trip throughout the South in the interests of the fraternity; a letter from Bro. J. J. Stevens in regard to Tulane University; a letter from F. C. Bray in regard to extension in the East.

Brother Buskirk stated that the report of Brother Smart would be referred to the Committee on the State of the Fraternity, which would be appointed at the afternoon session.

Bro. George W. Dun, treasurer of the Executive Council, gave a report on the finances of the fraternity.

Brother Van Cleve read his report as editor of THE SHIELD.

Upon motion, the S. W. President was authorized to appoint the following special committees, to be composed of five members each: Committee of SHIELD, Committee of Extension, Committee of Petitions.

Upon motion, all members of the fraternity, whether delegates or not, were given the privileges of the floor.

Upon motion, greetings were sent to Pi Beta Phi sorosis and Phi Delta Theta fraternity, then in session at Galesburg, Ill.

Upon motion, greetings were sent to our worthy secretary of the Executive Council, W. C. Wilson, at Spokane Falls.

Adjourned in due form until 2:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Brother Buskirk called the Council to order at 2:30 P. M., and announced the appointment of the following committees:

State of Fraternity.—H. H. Apple, Chairman; J. P. Grier, J. A. Mushrush, T. G. Soares, H. S. Gatley.

Finance.—G. M. Ford, Chairman; C. M. Voorhees, C. A. Stutsman.

Grievance.—H. F. Miller, Chairman; J. L. Porter, E. M. McCullock.

Shield.—E. A. Daumont, Chairman; G. T. Peters, A. Carpenter, G. B. Hiller, B. C. Miller.

Extension.—R. B. Wilcox, Chairman; George Smart, W. C. Sproul, E. M. Stires, W. H. Robinson.

Petitions.—J. L. Marquis, Chairman; J. B. Foraker, Jr., R. K. Beach, George A. Bass, M. G. Moore.

Reports of the archons of four districts were then read, and reports from all the chapters of the first and third districts, except Pa. *Z* and Pa. *θ*.

By request of Brother Stires, Archon of the Second District, the report of the chapters of the Second District was deferred until the morning session.

Adjourned in due form until 9:00 o'clock in the morning.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Brother Buskirk opened the meeting in due form, and Brother Gatley acted as S. W. Chaplain.

Complete reports were then read from the chapters of the Fourth District.

Greetings were read from Pi Beta Phi sorosis and the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, in convention at Galesburg, Ill.

The report of the Song Book Committee was offered by the President of the Executive Council, Rev. Robert Lowry.

Remarks were then called for from Brother McFarran, of Pa. Alpha, who was initiated into the fraternity in 1854, which, when given, aroused great enthusiasm.

Reports of Pa. *E*, Va. *B*, and Md. *A* were presented.

The following telegram was then read:

Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago:

California Alpha's greetings to the Grand Arch Council: Although far away and unrepresented, we are with you in spirit and enthusiasm. May Council's proceedings result in glory for our beloved Phi Kappa Psi.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA.

Upon motion, greetings were returned to California *A*.

Reading of petitions from Yale Law School, West Virginia University, and Baker University was then taken up.

Upon motion, all the petitions were referred to the Committee on Petitions.

Report of the Finance Committee was then made.

The meeting adjourned in due form until 2:00 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The meeting was opened in due form by Brother Buskirk, Brother Gregg acting as S. W. Chaplain.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

The report of the Catalogue Committee, by Brother Smart, was then offered, followed by the report of the Special Committee on SHIELD, by Bro. E. A. Daumont.

Upon motion, the final reports of the committees were acted upon as they were made, and the report of the Committee on SHIELD was unanimously adopted, to the following effect: The Council was instructed to pay the editor the amount due him, as authorized by the last Grand Arch Council. If, upon closing the books, the profits of THE SHIELD shall not have aggregated the sum promised him for his services, the Executive Council was instructed to make up the balance from the general treasury.

It was further enjoined that the Executive Council be instructed to enforce the constitutional provisions relating to penalties due from chapters for non-payment of SHIELD taxes within prescribed time.

SHIELD taxes were made payable through the general officers of the fraternity, and the decision of the Grand Arch Council was emphatic, that THE SHIELD be continued as a monthly.

Upon motions, the petitions from Yale Law School and Baker University were refused.

At this point a recess was taken to visit the Auditorium Building.

At 5:30 P. M., the meeting was called to order by Brother Buskirk, and the following telegram read:

Grand Arch Council, Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago:

Greetings and grip, all hail Phi Kappa Psi, my heart is with you.

W. C. WILSON.

A lengthy discussion upon the question of granting a charter to West Virginia University followed, pending which an adjournment was had in due form until after the glee club concert.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION.

The meeting was called to order by Brother Buskirk.

Upon motion, the report of the Committee on Petitions, as relates to West Virginia University, was referred to the Executive Council, with the following indorsement:

Resolved, That it be the sense of the members of the Grand Arch Council that the petition be granted.

At this point, Illinois A extended an invitation to the delegates of the Grand Arch Council to visit them at their home at Evanston.

Upon motion, a committee, consisting of Bros. P. B. Bass, Owen, and Van Cleve, was appointed to make arrangements for taking a group picture on Friday.

Upon motion, the report of the Committee on Extension was taken up in inverse order of the items, whereupon a lengthy discussion upon the subject of extension took place.

Upon motion, further discussion on extension was deferred until Friday morning.

Upon motion, the report of the Committee on State of the Fraternity was accepted.

At 2:00 A. M. the Council adjourned in due form to meet at 9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The meeting was opened in due form by Brother Buskirk, Brother Stires acting as S. W. Chaplain.

The following telegram was then read :

Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi, Grand Pacific Hotel :

Springfield Alumni Association sends most cordial greeting. We want you in Ohio in ninety-two.
FRED. G. GOTWALD.

The special order of the morning was then taken up, and after a spirited debate, the majority report of the Committee on Extension, amending Article V., Section 2 of the Constitution, was adopted by a vote of twenty-three chapters for to eight against.

Upon motion, the minority report of the Committee on Extension was laid on the table indefinitely.

Upon motion, the following committee was appointed to decide what matters should go to the press: Brothers Smart, Ashley, and Cleveland.

Upon motion, the following delegates were appointed to draft suitable resolutions for Chicago Alumni Association for their kind entertainment: Brothers Phillips, O'Donnell and Apple.

Upon motion, a Committee on Nomination of Officers of the Executive Council and Editor of THE SHIELD was appointed, consisting of the following: Bros. George A. Bass, Gatley, Prescott, Phillips, and Sproul.

Upon motion, all the chapters were instructed to furnish themselves with permanent post-office addresses.

Upon motion, the following amendment was passed by the Grand Arch Council by the unanimous consent of all the chapters represented:

The Grand Arch Council and district councils shall meet biennially on the first Wednesday after Easter Sunday.

Upon motion, a Committee on Fraternity Yell was appointed, consisting of Brothers Foraker, Ashley, and Stires.

The meeting closed in due form at 1:00 P. M., to meet at 2:00 P. M. in Club Room D.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council was called to order at 2:00 P. M. by Brother Buskirk.

Upon motion, Cincinnati was selected as the place of meeting of the next Grand Arch Council.

Upon motion, the resolution adopted at Washington, as relates to putting a diamond in the eye of the pin, was amended by informing the jewelers of the resolution, which, if violated, shall be considered cause to annul their contracts.

The Committee on Fraternity Yell reported the following :

High! High! High!
Phi Kappa Psi!
Live ever; die never,
Phi Kappa Psi!

Which was accepted with wild enthusiasm, and by unanimous consent was adopted as our fraternity yell.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following :

President.—Hon. J. P. Rea, Minnesota Alumni Association; W. C. Wilson, Pa. B.

Treasurer.—George W. Dun, Ohio A.

Secretary.—George Smart, Ohio A.

Editor of Shield.—C. L. Van Cleve, Ohio A; W. H. Robinson, N. Y. A.

Upon motion, the Council adjourned to the Post-office Building and had the group picture taken.

AFTER RECESS.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was then adopted, as follows :

Heartily appreciating the efforts of the Chicago Alumni Association to make the Grand Arch Council of 1890 a success, and realizing that it is largely due to them that our session in Chicago will be remembered at all times with pleasure; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Arch Council of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, in convention assembled, does hereby express its heartfelt gratitude to the members and officers of the Chicago Alumni Association for their many courtesies and untiring efforts looking toward the success of this meeting and the enjoyment of the members assembled; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Chicago daily papers and THE SHIELD for publication.

PHILIP PHILLIPS, JR.

E. O'DONNELL.

H. H. APPLE.

As Brother Lowry was compelled, at this juncture, to take a train for home in order to meet his Sabbath engagement, a farewell speech was called for, which he gave in his inimitable style, being constantly interrupted with cheers.

The election of officers of the fraternity resulted as follows: Judge J. P. Rea, President; George W. Dun, Treasurer; George Smart, Secretary; C. L. Van Cleve, Editor of SHIELD.

Upon motion, the following resolutions in behalf of Brother Buskirk were adopted:

WHEREAS, The members in convention here assembled, recognizing the very efficient and able management of the office of chairman of the Grand Arch Council by Bro. L. V. Buskirk, and the careful and conscientious performance of every duty pertaining thereto; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this convention does hereby extend to Brother Buskirk its hearty thanks and its unanimous wish for his continued health and prosperity.

The report of the History Committee, by Brother Van Cleve, recommending that Brother Smith be kept as chairman, and that two associates be appointed, was then offered.

Upon motion, the report was accepted, and Brother Smith appointed as chairman, and Brothers Booth and Sproul associates.

Upon motion, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Lowry, our beloved ex-president, has fulfilled the duties of his office in a manner worthy of Phi Psi and his excellent business capacity; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Arch Council of 1890 extend its heartfelt thanks and gratitude to him for his services, and extend its sympathy to him in his recent bereavement.

Upon motion, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, Bro. W. C. Wilson, our efficient ex-secretary, has fulfilled his office in a manner worthy of Phi Psi and with admirable skill; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Arch Council of 1890 extend to him its profound thanks and gratitude.

Upon motion, adjournment was had in due form until 7:30 P. M., in Parlor 23.

GEORGE W. SPRINGER, *Secretary.*

THE BANQUET.

As Brother Lowry said in the afternoon of the last day, "The feast to-night is the culmination of all the pleasure and profit of these three days commingling," and the boys verified his judgment by having a halcyon and vociferous time. Were I to attempt as graphically as I should, perhaps, to detail all the happy things that were said, to reproduce the shouts, the cheers, the laughter at the sallies of wit that helped to make the evening so enjoyable, I fear that the brothers might think I had lost my head for the while, and my contemporaries, who, from time to time, have been so solicitous for my welfare, might come to the conclusion that I had gone daft.

It was a "great" night, following the "greatest" Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi's history, and to the Chicago Alumni Association the great share of credit belongs.

The special features of the banquet which I was struck with were these: The promptness with which the affair began, the reasonable hour at which it closed, the management of the tables, and the elegant souvenirs. The latter were very chaste and elegant, and cost their weight in silver at the very least.

The march from the parlors to the tinkling of Tomaso's mandolin orchestra began at 8:00 P. M., and fifteen minutes later saw every one in place, while Brother Gregg, one of Chicago's leading Episcopal rectors, chanted an invocation. The menu was served promptly without flourishes of any sort; the last speech had been said, the last shout vociferated, and the last song sung by 12:15 A. M., Saturday, April 5, 1890.

The tables were arranged as follows: Along one side of the ladies' ordinary a single long table was placed, capable of seating the toast-master, the toasters, the officers of the Grand Arch Council, the Executive Council, the members of the various committees, and several of the "old boys," those who were present at the "borning" of dear old $\Phi K \Psi$; facing this, the body of the room was filled with square tables capable of seating eight each, a plan most admirably suited to the grouping together of delegations and old friends.

The Banquet.

The following were the courses served :

BLUE POINTS.

CHICKEN ROYALE.

BROILED WHITEFISH, MAITRE DE HOTEL.

Radishes.

Cucumbers.

TENDERLOIN OF BEEF, CHAMPIGNON.

Potatoes.

Lima Beans.

SMALL PATTIES OF CHICKEN, A LA REINE.

PINEAPPLE FRITTERS, AUX BENEDICTINE.

SIBERIAN PUNCH.

ROAST TEAL DUCK, WITH JELLY.

Dressed Lettuce.

FANCY CAKE.

CONFECTIONERY.

NESSELRODE ICE CREAM.

FRUIT.

ROQUEFORT.

COFFEE.

Bro. Robins S. Mott, Illinois Beta, and a leading spirit in the Chicago Alumni Association, was toastmaster, and right gracefully did he fulfill that delicate and difficult position. Before calling upon the regular speakers of the evening, Brother M. read a telegram of acceptance and thanks from the new President of our Executive Council, John P. Rea, which was received with cheers and

High! High! High!
Phi Kappa Psi!
Live ever; die never,
Phi Kappa Psi!

At this juncture feeling ran so high that the irrepressible Ashley perpetrated the only outrage of the evening, when in a faint voice he added his modicum to the vociferous cheers in this word: Hoo-Rea.

I very much regret my failure to secure a stenographer for the speeches, though there were several present, but space and my reportorial talents avail only to give a sketchy outline of what was said, the many side-lights of wit and jest being of necessity lost.

Bro. Joe V. Denney, Michigan Alpha, made the address of welcome. Upon being introduced he spoke substantially as follows :

“Brothers in $\Phi K \Psi$, I deem myself fortunate, although not a resident of Chicago, to be permitted to welcome you to a city which is at once the pride and glory of our western civilization. The teeming marts of Europe can not conceive the celerity with which great undertakings are begun, continued and completed in this marvelous city. Even the great centers

of trade and civilization of our own country look on in amazement at the achievements of this people, and wonder what new impossibility will be here undertaken.

“In material, intellectual and artistic matters, Chicago alike excels. In this country there is but one Auditorium, one sweet singing Kavanaugh, one World’s Fair. Our New York brothers may doubt Chicago’s ability to master so great an undertaking as the latter, but when you contemplate what she has done you will agree with me in the declaration :

No pent-up Utica contracts your powers,
But the whole boundless continent is yours.

“Chicago doesn’t want the earth, but she will take her full share of it, no doubt.

“Chicago is indeed a great town, but her people are greater, and I hope, without being too personal, I may say Chicago Phi Psis are superlative. The Grand Arch Council is to be congratulated on its privilege of assembling here, it is to be congratulated upon the harmonious, though spirited meetings which have just come to a close, it is to be congratulated upon the selection of that gallant warrior, John P. Rea, to preside at the deliberations of its Executive Council; upon the wise selection made in the other officers. May they all prove worthy of the trust you have reposed in them, and bring glory upon $\Phi K \Psi$.

“And now, brothers of $\Phi K \Psi$, members of the Chicago Alumni Association, you have somewhat for which to be congratulated as well. As I look into the faces, so full of character, so replete with suggestions of the hidden forces of manhood beneath, I can not but recall the old Roman matron who proudly pointed to her brave sons. Well indeed might you say to the barbarian world around, with the same proud emphasis, ‘And these are my jewels.’”

Bro. Fred. O. Bissel, New York Alpha, then responded for the Grand Arch Council to the earnest and forcible words of welcome :

“Brother Toastmaster, it were well if I did no more after such hearty expressions of good will than to say, we thank you, but under the inspiration of the tribute the brother paid to Chicago, the wonderful, it would be hard for a New Yorker to so content himself. Were I engaged in the comparison of adjectives to-night I might say, Chicago is great, New York is greater, there is no greatest. (Laughter). But seemingly, the Grand Arch Council of 1890 has been a red-letter event to the delegates, and I should be wanting in common courtesy should I fail to say to Brother Denney and to those whom he so eloquently represents, our fondest anticipations, cherished through two years past, have been more than realized. The convivial spirit of this banquet is enjoyable, but it will soon pass away,

but the fond touch of memory will fix upon the tablets of our hearts the impressions we have here received from the close communion of kindred hearts, the expression of common interests, even the brotherly maintenance of radically differing ideas. If in our discussions we have become warmer than the temperature out doors would warrant, it must be ascribed to a too torrid zeal, which like the effervescence of good wine leaves no bad results.

“At this Grand Arch Council we have had our ideas broadened, our fraternity spirit quickened in a more real and vital way than any other agency, however efficient, could have accomplished these results, and to your efforts for us, brothers of Chicago, is this largely due. Speaking as a New Yorker, although your hospitality is overwhelming, perhaps I might be accused of insincerity if I said, ‘Hurrah for Chicago,’ I can not in courtesy say, ‘Hurrah for New York,’ but I can without offense call for a cheer for our own beloved Cornell.”

At this juncture hilarity took the boys by storm, and one college after another followed in quick succession with their yells in something like the following processional style, though in the stentorean vociferation we may have lost a few: CORNELL—WISCONSIN—MINNESOTA—MICHIGAN—HOBART—BELOIT—CHICAGO UNIVERSITY—JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY.

It mattered little whether any college was represented by one or twenty, the yell sounded just as loud, and invariably was drowned out with the now famous, “High, high, high.”

The toastmaster at this juncture began to share the general good feeling, and taking advantage of the fact that the next speaker, who was at his immediate left and could thus get a quick tail-hold, had gone temporarily a short distance down the room, arose and said:

“Brothers, I propose a toast that I know is dear to the heart of him who is to respond. Brother Van Cleve, who has for so many years worked so unremittingly in the cause of $\Phi K \Psi$, and who, through the columns of that delightful $\Phi \Psi$ journal, *THE SHIELD*, has strongly and clearly presented the cause of alumni associations, has been informed by the toastmaster since the banquet began that he was to be tapped, and he will now spout a small stream of eloquent words to this interesting toast.”

Thereupon the small stream flowed forth in these copious words:

“Brother Toastmaster and fellow $\Phi \Psi$ s, it would perhaps be more modest in me, after all the kind things which have been said of *THE SHIELD* and its editor, during the sessions of the Grand Arch Council, to keep silent at this time and attend strictly to my legitimate work as a reporter, but inasmuch as I was asked to say a kind word about the Chicago Alumni Association I could not refrain, believing it no more than just that

they should be lauded, if not to the skies, at least as far in that direction as the sky-scraping Chicago buildings and their canopy of soot-begrimed clouds will permit. (Laughter.) That is as far as I consented to go, but the brother at my right (Brother Mott) fearing that I might perhaps say some things too warm in praise of the association which he honors to-night, took the liberty of suddenly amplifying my theme.

“So be it then, Phi Psi Alumni Associations in general, and the Chicago one in particular. Who can compute the influence for good of a single association of old college boys, who anon renew their youth by an occasional ‘spread’ in some center of population, not alone upon the participants, but upon the unpledged college boy, who reading in the morning paper that the $\Phi \Psi$ boys had a royal good time last night, forthwith makes a mental vow that when a verdant freshman he becomes a $\Phi \Psi$ he will be. (Cheers.)

“Again, the existence of such associations as our own and other fraternities possess, does more to break down the factious opposition to fraternities in the few colleges where anti-fraternity laws exist, than the petitions of students or the furtive sub-rosa chapter, which let us rejoice, is now in $\Phi \Psi$ an impossibility. A notable gathering of learned men in some great center of population makes sentiment for the organization which they represent. It is impossible that it should be otherwise, and $\Phi \Psi$ sentiment is what we wish to cultivate, and that right earnestly, too.

“I am constantly in receipt of letters inquiring how to go to work to organize such associations as those we already have, and even now a few loyal brothers are endeavoring to get together in the city of New York the many $\Phi \Psi$ s who inhabit the nation’s metropolis and surrounding cities.

“But I should weary you were I to speak at length in an argumentative vein on a subject which is as dear to you as to me, and and I *shall* dam the stream by calling for a hearty cheer for the Chicago Alumni Association—[Hip, hip, hurrah]—not so soon, brothers; I said I *shall*, not I *do*.

“The Chicago Alumni Association! That means the courtly Mott, the ubiquitous and modest Coy, the indefatigable Weddell, the faithful brothers Bass, [no, Buskirk, not rock bass, nor yet your favorite rock *and* rye,] the careful Cole, the forceful Holden, and all that band of good fellows whose highest commendation is this convention with its superb banquet.

“I need not remind you, brothers, that our theater party, that our badges, that our glee club concert, that our souvenirs and so forth, cost somebody a pretty sum, and inasmuch as it is American to constantly measure values in dollars, if the Chicago boys will hide their blushes, I will whisper to the other brothers present that these loyal fellows, who are

the pioneers in this alumni association movement, have invested the better part of \$1,000.00 for our entertainment this week, and right heartily do I say: Three cheers for Phi Psi Alumni Associations and a tiger for the pioneer." (Loud cheers and several repetitions of high, high, etc.)

Brother Mott: "It is perhaps peculiarly fitting that a representative of our chapter at the Northwestern University should be the orator on this occasion, for he stand on property which has made his college rich. I take pleasure in introducing Bro. E. A. Schell, Illinois Alpha."

Brother Schell's oration will appear in a later issue, being too thoughtful a production to bear the curtailment which its insérption here would make necessary. At the close of Brother Schell's oration, which was delivered in a very impressive manner, and whose effect was much heightened by occasional bursts of eloquent extemporizing, the boys from Northwestern University gave their college yell in such shape that the electric lamps turned pale.

Brother Mott: "We are exceedingly fortunate to-night in having with us one of the oldest $\Phi \Psi$'s the fraternity possesses—one who was initiated before a Grand Arch Council was even a remote future prospect, and who saw the first feeble struggles $\Phi K \Psi$ made for existence in the small Pennsylvania college which gave our order to the world. Sen. Moderwell will toast the mother chapter."

Sen. Moderwell: "If ever I lamented my want of eloquence I do at this juncture, for I feel in the rush of memories which crowd in upon me as I look at this gathering of thoughtful, enthusiastic men, and think of what you represent of wealth, of culture, of influence in the college world, inadequate to picture to your minds that band of timid, high-hearted boys in that little Pennsylvania college in Canonsburg, thirty-eight years ago, for I would have you know that I was contemporary with Moore, Paramore, Letterman, McDaniel and Campbell.

"I can not help wishing that Charley Moore—you call him Judge—was here. Dear old boy, how his heart would thrill with pride if he could estimate by to-night's scenes how his acorn had grown to a mighty oak. It was a hazardous experiment to found a new order in that little college in those early days when fraternities were not honored as they are to-day, but we fearlessly chose as our motto, not many but *men*, and I believe verily that the marvelous success we have achieved has been due to a close adherence to that early precept. We were not partial then to New England colleges, and I am glad to note by your transactions that you are not either, and I further wish to admonish you all, I am for one not afraid of the wild and woolly West. The brains of this couuntry in the future

will come, in my judgment, from the West and the South. The East has had its intellectual day. (Cheers.)

“Nor do I fear the small colleges, of which so much is said when charters are to be granted. Small colleges have given this country many of its greatest men. Blaine (cheers) came from a small college, so did Garfield, the Breckenridges, Harrison, and many others.

“We began I say, modestly, even timidly, and soon came the great civil war which cut our plans of extension off, and so crippled us in the South that we lost in a large measure what to us would have been a most prolific field for extension, since so many of our boys in that early day were from that section. I might talk all night about the old boys of that Alpha chapter, Kennedy, and Keady, and Jenks, who by the way will be the Attorney General of the next Democratic President, of the war experiences, and the precious lives saved by $\Phi \Psi$ grip, badge or sign of distress, but the hour is late and I must cease,” (Cries of go on, go on,) and at the urgent request of the boys, Sen. M. spoke quite at length with most charming recollections of that early day when a Phi Psi was as proud of his membership in our fraternity almost as he would be of a passport for heaven.

At this moment Brother Mott introduced the Archon of District IV., Brother Holden, who read the poem of Brother Hayward, the latter having been unavoidably and unexpectedly detained. The poem will appear in a later issue, together with the oration.

Brother Mott: “I will now introduce a speaker who I will guarantee will stick to his text, ‘Scattering Thoughts;’ Bro. A. R. Townsend, New York Alpha.

Brother Townsend’s effort was replete with witty allusions to those who were present, and so many of his excellent points were directed at peculiarities of those who had learned to know each other within the few days just passed, that I regret the practical impossibility of making a report of it. He had a good word to say for alumni associations, for Sen. Moderwell, for New York Alpha, for representative delegations he saw from every section, and amid hearty applause sat down.

Brother Mott: “I see in a remote corner of the room an excessively modest member of the Chicago Alumni Association who can not make a speech, I know, but who will relieve the strain of the eloquent gentlemen who have preceded him by telling a story; Dr. Church.”

Whereupon Bro. Arch. Church gave a story which convulsed the crowd. It was one of those telling efforts that to reproduce in print robs of half its piquancy, and the fine points upon which it turned could scarcely be put into cold type.

The toastmaster then called upon Brother Soares to respond for the Minneapolis Alumni Association, but inasmuch as Brother S. confessed to being but a junior still in college, he disclaimed the right to say more than that the association was flourishing, and was a great help to Minnesota Beta at the university.

Brother Mott: "At my right sits he whom you have honored by making him your presiding officer, and since it has been officially recorded in public in our city that 'Buskirk is all right,' you will desire to learn from him the condition of 'The girls I left behind me;' Brother Buskirk, Indiana Beta." (Cheers).

Brother Buskirk: "I am not a mormon (laughter) and I can not speak for the plural of this theme. I wish the girl I left behind me was here to speak for herself. I don't feel, in light of the experience of the past few days, that I have sense enough to speak even for myself."

With this good-humored introduction, Brother Buskirk proceeded and for five minutes kept the boys in an uproar in a semi-serious, semi-satirical and wholly witty speech on the ladies, which was so interrupted with cheers, applause and "High, high," that I gave up in despair the attempt to report more than the few words above quoted.

Brother Mott: "No assemblage of Phi Psis would be properly rounded up without a toast to that most helpful agency in developing the *esprit* of our fraternity, THE SHIELD, responded to by our gallant Virginia brother, E. M. Stires."

Brother Stires:

When we hear of success achieved by our alumni, of the triumphs won by our men in college, and see how firmly the principles upon which our fraternity is founded stand every shock in the battle of life, we have reason to be proud. Again, when we consider the difficulties which so many fraternities have experienced in endeavoring to maintain a monthly publication,—difficulties so insurmountable that many of these monthlies have degenerated into quarterly affairs, rarely appearing more than three times a year, or, being able to give no good reason for living, have joined "the great majority,"—surely we, who possess a bright, energetic, regular monthly, have another cause for honest pride.

Few of us realize the debt of gratitude we owe to such men as Edgar F. Smith, Little, and Van Cleve, whose untiring efforts have been crowned with wonderful success, but whose labors of love have never received the substantial appreciation which they deserved. The reason is obvious: We do not recognize the indissoluble connection between our success as an inter-collegiate fraternity and the regular publication of a creditable organ. Imagine the condition of affairs did THE SHIELD fail to appear for a year or two. Chaos would come again. The encouragement and enthusiasm which glow on every page add fuel to the spark of fraternal fire burning in our hearts, and the influence exerted on each individual, each chapter, and the general fraternity can scarcely be estimated. THE SHIELD nobly fulfills its

duty to the fraternity. Does the fraternity fulfill its duty to THE SHIELD? I do not believe it does. When we remember that THE SHIELD is even more dependent upon the fraternity than the fraternity upon THE SHIELD, it is hard to understand why loyal brothers allow themselves to become victims of "chronic procrastination." Why is it that one chapter has a bright, vigorous letter in THE SHIELD as often as the editor will receive it, while another chapter, quick to repudiate the suspicion of feeble loyalty, allows a year, perhaps, to pass without a sign of life. The chapter letter is regarded as a barometer of the condition of the chapter? Whether or not this may sometimes be misleading is a question we can not discuss here, but it is a fact that just as the Greek world judges our condition to a great extent by our monthly publication, so we judge the condition of our various chapters by their letters in THE SHIELD. Let the coming year show a marked improvement. Let our chapter letters be regular, and prepared with all the ability of which we are capable. And let us all remember that our duty to THE SHIELD is not secondary to our duty to our college magazine; but every issue of THE SHIELD should contain at least one article of general interest from the pen of an active member or alumnus.

The cheers which followed the report of the editor of THE SHIELD attested our gratification at the good work done by him during the last two years, and we are fortunate in having persuaded him to remain in control. Surely, we can frame for him no dearer wish than that THE SHIELD may prosper as much or, if possible, even more in the future than it has in the past under his efficient management.

When I was informed of my selection to respond to this toast, I was told that I would not be held strictly to my text, and that if I had something else to say, you would probably bear with me. There is something which seems expedient for me to say at this time. The number of Southern delegates to this council, when compared with the full delegations from the North and West, is small, indeed. But the absence of larger representation must not be misunderstood; for the fact is not discreditable when the reason for it is appreciated. Chicago is far away, and the South is not rich yet; and when we have met all our pecuniary obligations to the fraternity, it is difficult for a large number of us to incur the expense which such a journey necessitates. You will not, I am sure, attribute the absence of a larger number of your Southern brothers to any weakness of fraternal spirit. No members of our noble order are prouder of its principles and achievements than are the Southerners; none quicker than they to guard its honor as jealously as they would their own. When the bright promises which the future offers our fair South land become realized, and prosperity once again showers its blessings upon us, the councils of our fraternity will find us present in full force; or, when those halcyon days have brought the promised change in our fortunes, and the Second District shall number almost as many chapters as Pennsylvania now possesses, the far South may have the honor of entertaining the Grand Arch Council; and when she does, be sure that the homes of her sons will be as open and as fully yours as their hearts are now.

Brother Mott: "As the new fraternity yell, which, we understand, is the work of the brother who has just spoken, has already lifted us to the pinnacle of fame, we are ready to sing, 'Way up in the Mountain Top-tip-top.'"

At the conclusion of this song, and it was only one of several, which, together with orchestral music, enlivened the evening's enjoyment, the banquet was concluded, and after all but Phi Psi had retired, the Grand Arch Council of 1890 was closed by Brother Buskirk in due form to meet in Cincinnati in 1892.

C. L. VAN CLEVE.

DELEGATES.

Pa. B—Rev. F. M. Gregg, J. L. Porter.

Pa. F—Rev. Robert Lowry.

Pa. E—S. E. Whitmer.

Pa. H—H. H. Apple.

Pa. K—W. C. Sproul.

N. Y. A—R. B. Wilcox, F. O. Bissell.

N. Y. B—George K. Statham, G. W. Schmidt, Burr C. Miller.

N. Y. Δ—H. S. Gately.

N. Y. E—D. F. Osgood.

Va. A—Ernest M. Stires.

Ind. A—T. Morris Brown.

D. C. A—J. E. Christy.

Miss. A—John M. Moseley, Jr.

Ohio A—Phillip Phillipps, Jr., Ralph E. Westfall, C. L. Van Cleve.

Ohio B—George B. Hiller, H. S. Lawrence.

Ohio F—C. M. Voorhees, F. D. Glover, Edward Kibler.

Ohio Δ—R. H. Beach, G. T. Peters, Harry F. Miller.

Ind. A—Guy M. Walker, Frank M. Beard.

Ind. B—M. G. Moore, E. O'Donnell, L. V. Buskirk.

Ind. F—E. D. McCulloch, W. J. Coleman.

Ill. A—George H. Springer, James P. Grier, George A. Bass.

Mich. A—Grant M. Ford, Robert B. Preble, Ross G. Cole.

Wis. A—E. P. Warden, W. A. Jackson, F. H. Foster.

Wis. F—Alvin Carpenter, S. M. Smith, L. W. Crow.

Iowa A—Robert Bonson, Carl Stutsman.

Minn. B—Byron H. Timberlake, Theodore G. Soares, H. G. Bushnell.

Kan. A—J. A. Mushrush, S. C. Brewster, J. A. Prescott.

Chicago Alumni Association—W. H. Robinson, Malcolm Owen, Charles H. Booth.

Springfield Alumni Association—A. D. Hosterman.

Pittsburg Alumni Association—Horace J. Miller, Charles W. Ashley.

Cincinnati Alumni Association—E. A. Daumont.

VISITORS.

Pa. A—J. F. Magill, G. P. Marquis, J. E. McPherran, E. C. Moderwell.

Pa. B—W. P. Cary.

Pa. H—H. A. Dubbs.

N. Y. A—A. R. Townsend, Joseph Lapham, W. W. Norton.

N. Y. B—F. L. Stevens.

Ohio A—U. G. Sanger, M. R. Dial, Henry Brant, F. B. Drees, J. B. Foraker, Jr., C. J. Brotherton.

Ohio Γ—Dana O. Weeks, Edward J. Hudson, George C. Nimmons.

Ohio Δ—George Smart, George Dun.

Ind. A—F. A. Cleveland, W. G. Neff, O. M. Stewart, Jr., Merle A. Walker, Nat C. Wright, L. B. Lesh, E. G. Jaques, R. I. Tennant, C. C. Spencer, F. C. Payne, Grant G. Ross, R. J. Smith, Wilbert Ward, J. E. Graves, M. G. Phillips, D. H. Bitner.

Ind. B—J. R. Mutz, W. J. Boland, John E. Metcalf, E. C. Burton, George D. Baker, A. C. Durborrow, F. G. Burton.

Ind. Γ—J. R. Hanna.

Ill. A—J. L. Alabaster, J. F. Oates, W. E. Humphrey, G. C. Mars, D. W. Terry, R. O. Evans, S. A. Maltman, F. J. Campbell, Charles R. Abbey, E. A. Schell, C. S. Graves, G. W. Dixon, T. J. Dixon, F. A. Alabaster, C. B. Thwing, Frank Little, C. H. Bucks, T. C. Moulding, P. B. Bass, E. L. Harvey, A. E. Mabie, W. H. Tuttle, J. S. Yount, I. J. Archer.

Ill. B—T. R. Weddell, L. M. Coy, Lucius Weinschenck, Guy Brockway, O. P. Seward, R. S. Mott, Fred Templeton.

Ill. Γ—W. M. Glenn.

Mich. A—E. C. Preble, F. C. Smith, S. C. Parks, Jr., J. R. Effinger, Jr. H. G. Ohls, W. C. Malley, C. C. Warren, W. S. Holden, Joseph Halsted, Festus Cole, J. V. Denney.

Wis. A—F. I. Collins, F. S. White, C. H. Thomas, Archibald Church, E. S. Main, T. P. Carter, A. B. Flower, H. Brown, G. B. Clementson, R. S. Thelden, F. H. Jackman, C. H. Doyon, K. P. Chumasero, E. P. Sherry, G. C. Main, L. L. Prescott.

Iowa A—Will Larrabee.

Kan. A—Paul Hudson, W. W. Overton.

Wis. Γ—Daniel Waite, L. M. Reckhow, Henry K. White, B. B. Treat, I. Carpenter, Walter Haven, J. M. Shilay, A. P. Smith, J. M. Sheean.

RECAPITULATION.

Officers of Executive Council all present; undergraduates, 2; Editor SHIELD; archons all present; delegates, 61; chapters represented, 27; alumni associations, 4; visitors, 116. Total present, 177.

The Areopagus.

CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

The quarterly gathering and banquet of the Cincinnati Alumni Association occurred on Friday night, March 28th. It was a night! Wind, weather, and rain came together for a gathering "not down on the bills." The superfluous mixedness of the evening made very desirable such home commodities as chimney corners, new sweethearts, old slippers, to-be wives, easy wrapper parties, and other indoor felicities. The attendance was not large; but *all were* Phi Psis.

D. C. Shears, manager of the Emery Hotel, always prepares well for the Phi Psi gatherings, and on this occasion had bright lights, a pretty service, cozy banquet hall, and good supper. The banquets are always preceded by a reception, engaged in with zest and interest. W. M. Mumper, of Hughes' High School, and J. H. Laycock attended to the receiving and introductions. The evening was informal throughout, and all the more social. J. W. Peters, D. D., of Wyoming, Ohio, delivered the address. Dr. Peters is not only a loyal Phi Psi, but a distinguished looking one. The address was replete with good things, and was most enthusiastically received. It is being arranged to be printed in neat form, and will be mailed to officers, members, families, and friends of the fraternity with the compliments of the Cincinnati Alumni Association.

Among those present were Parke F. Kemper, of Walnut Hills; Wade McMillan, of Mt. Auburn; Willard Kendig and R. H. Van Deman, of the Ohio and Miami Medical colleges. Judge M. L. Buchwalter left a society engagement, champion chess playing, splendid Avondale home, and all to be present, and won and helped the younger brothers thereby. Albert Bettinger, Esq., remained down town to attend, sacrificing his favorite late-dinner dishes and an eloquent-to-be-delivered address of legal lore. Brother Bettinger never tells how much praying he does nor how much paying, but he does big dollars of the latter for Phi Psi, anyhow. R. H. Bishop, from a home of pretty situations and fine views on the

banks of the Ohio and Licking, came a long way, said nothing about inconveniences, ate one supper, but paid for two. Dr. L. S. Colter left a nice big practice and a nice little wife and came in for a good time, including a big eat as well as a Phi Psi treat.

A musical programme was given during the banquet. Prof. A. J. Boex, of St. Xaviers, who is at the head of the Catholic music, especially in this vicinity, and who ranks as one of the most popular composers of piano-forte music, presided at the grand piano furnished by the John Church Company. Some of the piano solos were the selections, "Pearl of Pekin," "Return of the Reapers," "Tell Her I Love Her So," and the now widely-known Phi Kappa Psi waltzes. The demand for these, both in orchestral parts and for the piano, continues on the increase, and more editions have been published. Mr. G. William Schuler, Cincinnati's fine tenor, appeared in the special vocal melodies and solos, "Lucia," "Non e Ver," and "Homeward-bound March." The singing of a solo—a Phi Psi ode, air "Annie Laurie"—was particularly touching, arousing all present.

The *Commercial Gazette* of Sunday, March 30th, gave a lengthy Phi Psi article on Phi Psi matters, including this banquet and Cincinnati items. The same paper on Sunday, April 6th, contained another long Phi Psi article of interest to the fraternity. These were very extensively used by Cincinnati Phi Psis for mailing to fraternity and college circles in every part of the country. The *Commercial Gazette* Company received orders from distant points for copies of papers with these articles. W. H. Eggleston, city editor of the *Commercial Gazette*, extends very generous courtesies to the Cincinnati Alumni Association, and Phi Psi matters, general and local, are published along with other secret orders. Himself and paper receive notice and cordial support accordingly.

The Cincinnati Alumni Association is now in its second year—a permanent fixture in Cincinnati as well as of the fraternity. In the new city directory now being published, its name will appear along with the other secret orders, together with the names of its officers. The meetings of the association will continue quarterly; every three months a banquet and reception—always open to all Phi Psis. It has been decided to arrange attendant expenses so that the cost per plate will be \$1.00, and fixed at that. This will be uniform throughout the year at all gatherings. Arrangements are made also for visiting Phi Psis to find splendid rooms at smallest cost any time. There are Phi Psi homes open besides. Cincinnati will be made a social Phi Psi home place, easy on all, at all times and gatherings. A circular letter, touching upon fraternity matters generally, but local Phi Psiism here in particular, will soon be issued to Cincinnati mem-

bers. The new roster of the Cincinnati Alumni Association will appear in a different shape from that first intended, and will be for general mailing throughout the fraternity.

Cincinnati Phi Psi not only commend and indorse THE SHIELD, but pay and work for it, order it largely, and mail and distribute it extensively. It is not only looked upon as the fraternity magazine, but believed in and used as a home and fireside magazine. It is expected that from fifty to one hundred extra copies of the April number will be ordered here for special use. The May number will contain special items and personals from Cincinnati, including an outline of the programme for the June banquet and gathering. Full circular programmes of the June affair will be issued, however.

E. A. D.



Editorial.

WE are delighted at the revival of Pennsylvania *I*. All loyal $\phi \psi$'s will rejoice to hear from the old chapter, whose record in the past was glorious.

WE are advised of the expulsion of William J. Wilkinson from the Pennsylvania *I* Chapter for the non-payment of dues. All brothers are cautioned against recognizing him as a $\phi \psi$, or as ever having been one.

WE are in receipt of an invitation to the forty-second annual commencement of the Hahnemann Medical College, at which, on April 2d, Brothers Stubbs, of Pa. *Z*; Clark, of Pa. *I*, and Manning, of Cal. *A*, were graduated.

BRO. MALCOLM OWEN writes to inform the brothers who bought group pictures of the Council in Chicago, that the process of printing from such a large negative is a slow one, and those who have been waiting to hear from their deposit of \$1.50 must not grow impatient.

Brother Owen also wishes to say that any brother can secure a copy of this photograph by sending him, at No. 88 Washington Street, the price which the artist placed upon his work—\$1.50.

No one who was in Chicago doubts that the Chicago $\phi \psi$'s will see to the pictures reaching every one in good shape.

THE few subscribers to THE SHIELD resident in New York City or vicinity will confer a favor by dropping a line giving their address and chapter to either Bro. Henry Pegram, 112 West 128th Street, New York, or Bro. Henry T. Scudder, 187 Berkeley Place, Brooklyn.

THE Springfield Alumni Association of ϕ κ ψ are not content with having given the "swellest" affair known in the annals of that burg last June, but promise to eclipse every ϕ ψ event even in the coming June. That, too, in face of the Chicago Grand Arch Council. But more of their plans anon.

IN the press of matter which monthly crowds upon us, we failed to note in the March issue the receipt of a very handsome illustrated pamphlet, entitled, "Biographical History of the New York Delta Chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity of Hobart College." It reflects great credit both in appearance and matter upon the compilers, Brothers Gatley, Kirtland, and Perkins.

WE have issued 1,400 copies of this number, thinking that there might be an unusual demand for "extras." Our regular issue of 1,200 is thus supplemented by so small a number that on the principle, "first come, first served," those who wish additional copies for any purpose had better send in orders at once. We have received before going to press calls for one hundred extra copies, and we fear the next hundred will be gone before the demand is satisfied. However, we do not care to load up our files unnecessarily, and while we shall dislike to disappoint any, we hesitate to incur any additional expenses for this year by getting out a larger edition.

THE Grand Arch Council of 1890 is now a matter of fraternity history, and delegates and visitors alike have been indoctrinated in Phi Psiism as they never were before. We presume it will not be seriously questioned that the Chicago gathering, in point of numbers, enthusiasm, and enjoyment, eclipsed any previous affair in the annals of the fraternity.

The Chicago Alumni Association covered itself with glory by the superb entertainment afforded delegates and visitors alike, and not a Phi Psi present doubted that our Chicago boys were "all right" in the fullest acceptance of the term.

We favor the shifting of the meeting-place of the Grand Arch Council so that chapters may be better accommodated as to the distance their delegates must travel, and for the further reason that alumni here and there may be reached and aroused by bringing the Council to their very doors.

The attendance of three of the earliest initiates of the fraternity was significant, as was also the presence of large delegations from chapters remote from Chicago. The list of delegates and visitors will repay careful study along this line. We regret that some few of the visiting brothers were missed, and we doubt not there were more than two hundred present during the entire meeting. We are inclined to suggest to the Executive Council the purchase of a suitable record for Grand Arch Council occasions, in which each delegate or visitor shall enroll his name before being admitted to the Council hall. In this way, the coming and going will not render the securing of signatures at times well-nigh impossible. We shall be pleased to receive from any brother the name and chapter of any one whom we failed to register.

The presence of all the officers of the fraternity was a

good omen of the success of our new government in keeping the interest of the older alumni alive, and the personal appearance of each archon to answer for his district was another pleasant feature.

Apropos of attendance, we noted the fact that many more chapters sent alumnus delegates than heretofore, indicating in a practical way an answer to the old question: How shall the interest of alumni be maintained? A leading member of the Council, an alumnus delegate from one of the chapters which has had a glorious record, said to the Editor: "Why is there not more effort made to secure the attendance of the old boys? Why, if I knew I should meet at any of these $\phi \psi$ gatherings the fellows who were my chums back in the 70's, I'd break my neck to be present." We promptly replied: "Take THE SHIELD, and you'll see enough and to spare about stirring up the alumni." And he subscribed then and there.

But the delegate quoted above struck a good point, of which we shall speak at length hereafter; but the circular letters and personal meetings of active members with older $\phi \psi$'s ought to make the impression that we are abroad in the land, and mean to rally in force in Cincinnati in 1892. Start the agitation now, and keep it up.

THE Council made several important moves. First in importance, it seems to us, was that relating to the organ of the fraternity. We are more than formerly certain that $\phi K \psi$ wants a monthly magazine, and more determined than ever, if that be possible, to publish a journal devoted to $\phi K \psi$. The Council, it would appear from the unanimous adoption of the report of the special committee having SHIELD matters in charge, agrees with the Editor, that we need a sprightly journal which deals chiefly with

our own affairs, and which does not weakly attempt to take on a literary tone, by which we mean that THE SHIELD is not to be devoted to *belles lettres*.

Again, the provision that SHIELD taxes shall be collected through the ordinary channels, we deem a wise change, and one made in the interests of simplifying fraternity business, preventing the confusion of the past with its incidental violation of the constitution.

Then, the provision by which the salary of the Editor is guaranteed is no small factor in making THE SHIELD a permanency and a source of pride to both the constituency which it represents and to the management itself. The annual compensation of the Editor, while not munificent, is perhaps a fair return, so far as dollars can express it, for the work done upon the paper, and any man can work with greater spirit knowing that he shall receive his just reward than if he felt uncertain about it. We feel that the resolution to guarantee the salary is pure business, and in the line of strengthening the fraternity. Chapters will feel the force of carrying out the provisions of the Grand Arch Council if they know that neglect will entail additional burdens upon the active membership.

We feel, so far as THE SHIELD is concerned, that the fraternity is rallying grandly to its support, and if within the next two years it shall not outstrip all its contemporaries in circulation, we shall be disappointed.

THE amendment adopted relative to the granting of charters, which is substantially what was proposed by the Editor at the Greencastle District Council and subsequently indorsed by that body, is a distinct progress in fraternity polity. We fully respect the very strong oppo-

sition which several chapters, through their delegates, made to the measure, but we feel, from our long experience in fraternity affairs, that the fear that the newly adopted provision will open the gates for unworthy petitions is groundless.

Our former method savored too much of despotism; the present plan is so surrounded by checks that abuse is well-nigh impossible. We know that the best informed body in the fraternity is the Executive Council, and it is, at the same time, the most jealous guardian of the fraternity's reputation. We do not care to discuss the question at length in these pages, but submit the whole matter to the chapters, strong in the conviction that sober, second thought will bring all to the conclusion that the well-informed, conservative Executive Council is a safe repository for all the important concerns which have been committed to it by our supreme law-making body.

NO PETITION within our recollection has had the remarkable indorsement which the one now pending has received. It may, perhaps, seem strange to any one who was not present that the Grand Arch Council would unanimously indorse a petition and yet not grant it.

However that may be, those who were in Chicago fully understand the delicate position in which the delegates from one of our leading chapters were placed, and the very serious discussion on constitutional questions had not a little to do with this somewhat peculiar procedure.

Our own feeling, based upon the experiences of the past ten years of meeting with Southern $\phi \psi$'s, is that we can not too soon reoccupy the land in which we achieved

our first triumphs, and from whose institutions so many grand $\phi \psi$'s have been sent out.

We see no good reason why our chapter at Randolph-Macon should not be revived and four other good chapters established in the institutions which we have had under consideration for the two years just past.

WE made our trip to Chicago by way of the C. H. & D. and Monon, and we verily believe they have the finest train service in the country. We never have thought a man got his money's worth from sleeping-car companies in the character of the attention he received from employes, but we have changed our mind at least for this service. It is such a rare experience to find sleeping-car employes obliging and gentlemanly without obsequiousness that we are constrained to this unreserved compliment.

If possible the service upon the day train returning surpassed that of the night train going, and we never ate meals served more daintily or better cooked. Brothers traveling Chicago-ward or southward from Chicago, give this route a trial, and we shall be thanked for our advice, we know.

Chapter Letters.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

It is with surprise that we note that the time for writing our letter to THE SHIELD has again arrived. Owing to the fact that we were unable to be represented at the late Grand Arch Council, we sort of feel out of tune, as though somehow or other the fraternity at large had made a big step forward and left us sitting in the rear. The universal sentiment among the fellows seems to be that this thing must not occur again, so we shall doubtless turn up promptly at the next big gathering. However, I suppose the men who were there will have enough to say about Chicago, so will try to center my wandering thoughts nearer home.

We are moving along steadily and evenly, doing our share of the college work and securing our share of the college honors. Brother Pearce, who graduates this year, has been selected as class historian, and will, no doubt, furnish us with a very rose-colored account of the exploits of '90.

Brother Mills has been elected to a position on the Board of Directors of the Athletic Association. He spent his Easter vacation with Brother Pearce at his home near Baltimore, and we have since learned that he made sad work with the tender affections of the young ladies of that vicinity, winning all hearts by the breezy cheeriness of his manner, and the affecting pathos with which he warbled love ditties to the young ladies whom he met. Truly there must be many an aching void in the bosoms of the fair denizens of Maryland since his return.

Most all of the boys took advantage of the Easter recess to pay a short visit home, to see old friends and renew old ties, and nearly all our men found themselves tied so tightly that they were unable to get back until two or three days after college reopened.

During the past month the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the M. E. Church met in Carlisle, and we had the pleasure of meeting and being with quite a number of old Phi Psis who have stepped out into active life. Among those who cheered us most by their presence and genial comradeship, was that warm-hearted Brother Dunning, of our own chapter, and Brother Jacobs, of Pennsylvania Eta, who, although a very young man, gives great promise of some day occupying a very prominent position in our church. He is still a good ways this side of thirty, but his speech on church extension delivered before the conference was replete with thought and energy, and was very highly spoken of by all who heard it.

Brother Baker, of Indiana Alpha, who is traveling through the East on business connected with a western banking firm, stopped over and spent a day or two with us. From the samples we have seen, we have come to have a very high opinion of western Phi Psis.

Our own Brother Longsdorf dropped in upon us suddenly a few weeks ago. His appearance among us was none the less welcome because it was unexpected, and our only regret was that his pressing business engagements prevented us from seeing as much of him as we should have liked.

Brother Turner, who has been absent from college during the past year, has returned and taken up his college work. He has had a very successful year preaching in the Wilmington Conference, but felt that the "center rush" of the Lutheran choir could not endure much longer the deprivations of the attentions which he was won't to lavish upon her, so he tore himself loose and in future will be found doing business at the old stand.

The Glee Club are off on a two weeks' trip, and for the present the places of Brothers Illingworth, Greer and Hyxson are absent from our fraternal fireside.

W. PERRY EVELAND.

Carlisle, Pennsylvania, April 3, 1890.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

As we are among the number of those whose letter arrived too late for publication, we will try and remember the 15th in the future.

It is needless for me to say that our delegate to the Grand Arch Council, Bro. H. H. Apple, reports having had a very pleasant as well as a very busy time. Although no city could have offered a better place for the meeting of the Grand Arch Council, yet Pennsylvania Eta regrets that it was so far distant, as the position of delegate to the Grand Arch Council is one that can justly be envied.

At our accustomed annual banquets, especially about commencement week, when the campus rings with the time-honored college yell, it always seems as if there was something wanting by which we could give vent to our highest enthusiasm. I think our new fraternity yell will fill that long felt want.

We had a short Easter vacation, during which time a number of the brothers availed themselves of the opportunity to make a short visit home.

The prospects of Franklin and Marshall for the coming year are especially bright. The graduating class of the Preparatory Department is much larger than last year, and the success that has attended our foot ball team and glee club will add materially to the number. When the weather will permit there are quite a number out practicing for the college nine.

The two literary societies will hold their anniversaries on the 2d and 9th of May, respectively. We are ably represented on the latter date by Brother Schaffner.

The Seminary closes its sessions for the year on May 8th. Brother Hendricks is in the graduating class.

Brothers Rupley and Bauman have gone home to teach during the spring and early summer.

ANSON F. HARROLD.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania, April 12, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

It is, at last, after a lapse of two years, that Iota Chapter, of the University of Pennsylvania, once more finds her name in the list of the fraternities of that institution. From her founding in 1877, to the time when circumstances led to the temporary termination of her career, Φ κ Ψ stood foremost in the ranks, having upon her rolls the names of the leading men of the university, not to mention many of the faculty.

To once more place Iota in her old time position, Brother Penniman undertook to revive past interests. He worked night and day with such marked success that seven active members have been secured, a large room occupied and enthusiasm awakened.

Since Iota has re-entered the lists there are upon the roster, Brothers Josiah H. Penniman, Hugh W. Ogden, Francis B. Lee, Charles G. Peacock, J. Gilbert Stoddart, '90; Charles Lee, '91; Frank H. Lee, '92. Upon an election held on the evening of the 17th of April, with Brother Penniman as temporary chairman, the following officers for Iota were elected: Brothers Penniman, Stoddart, Francis Lee, Charles Lee and Frank H. Lee. The by-laws of old Iota were also adopted.

The personnel of Iota may be worth a passing mention. Brother Penniman, of the arts, has held many positions of honor since he entered the university. He leads his class and was selected as managing editor of the *Pennsylvanian*, the official organ of the college during the past year. Brother Ogden, of the arts, was an associate editor with Brother Penniman. Brothers Stoddart, Peacock, Charles Lee and your correspondent are all members of the Wharton School of Finance and Political Economy, an institution which has for its object the development of a practical education in lines of economic and historical investigation. Bro. Frank Lee is in the Arts Department.

Iota's rooms are located at 117 S. 11th street, which simple statement is a "standing invitation" for all Φ κ Ψ 's, particularly on meeting nights, Thursday at eight.

Iota is the parent of Swarthmore's now famous chapter, for which Brother Sproul, in conjunction with other brothers, has done so much. Iota has the pleasure of occasionally entertaining Swarthmore men.

For next year the prospects are most encouraging, and we look forward to new successes.

FRANCIS B. LEE.

Trenton, New Jersey, April 19, 1890.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The prospects of a pleasant and profitable spring term have never been brighter than are those for the term at hand. A week of very fine weather has suddenly transformed somber winter into blooming spring; the campus is already covered with zealous makers of tennis courts, and stalwart athletes preparing for the coming field day; while the surrounding hills are frequented by numerous botanical parties searching for the earliest spring flowers. Everything connected with the university is in a state of prosperity bordering that of an

Oklahoma boom. New and famed professors have been swelling the corps of instructors during the whole year, while New York, Boston and Europe, from time to time, demand the presence of those we already have.

Athletics are receiving unusual attention. Indeed such interest is manifested in this line that a gymnasium and running track are soon to be constructed on the campus. Truly, Syracuse University, with six hundred students is a strong institution and a great place for $\Phi \Psi$ s. We now number eighteen members. This is a small number here, however the goat is well satisfied; he butts for quality not quantity.

The brothers who attended the Grand Arch Council came back so happy, so full of $\Phi \Psi$ spirit, and so proud of the fraternity that we kept them talking about it until their throats gave out, and then voted to attend the next one *en masse*.

Bros. Ralph and Fred. Comfort, whose headquarters are at the Vanderbilt Hotel, very frequently meet $\Phi \Psi$ s passing through the city. Yesterday that loyal brother, Chaplain McCabe, preached in the city, and after the services gripped the brothers who were present, and dined with a $\Phi \Psi$ alumnus.

As to the change in the manner of admitting new chapters, New York Beta opposes it. The present arrangement will not long debar the entrance of a first class institution, and $\Phi \Psi$ does not care to enter a low grade of colleges. Quality, not quantity, should be the standard of $\Phi \Psi$.

M. BURLINGAME.

Syracuse, New York, April 12, 1890.

COLGATE UNIVERSITY.

All but two of New York Epsilon's boys are back enjoying the beautiful weather and light work of the spring term. Brother Stoops, '92, and Brother Pettes, '93, were obliged to be absent this term, but will be back next fall.

Since the last letter to THE SHIELD the name of our university has been changed. We are known no more as New York Epsilon of Madison University, but as New York Epsilon, Colgate University. This town and college never before saw so much enthusiasm or heard so much noise as they did on the two days' celebration of the change of name. The price of fish horns jumped from five cents to twenty-five in less than twenty-four hours. Bands played, horns tooted, bells rung, fire crackers exploded, and everybody exercised their lungs until hoarseness made all further effort useless. On the evening of March 14th, the celebration took the form of a monster banquet in the Opera House. About three hundred and forty persons were present. After the feast speeches were made by the professors and others. The applause, which was almost continuous, was well deserved by the speech makers. I have heard many say that they never spent an evening which was so thoroughly enjoyable. It is hoped and expected that the university will enjoy increased prosperity under its new name.

With the return of warm weather, tennis and base ball again assert their claims upon the students' attention. In fact "boning" is at a discount in the

spring term. The two sports alluded to, together with a certain mysterious something, mentioned by Tennyson in a poem known as Lockley Hall, tend to make the time spent in downright college work rapidly approach zero as a limit. It is noticable, too, that the breath of spring has called forth from flannels and tobacco several freshmanic walking sticks. They seem to be well preserved.

It is useless to tell any one who was present that the Grand Arch Council in Chicago was a success; and all who were not there have probably heard of it ere this. I think every one went from that Council feeling more loyal to his fraternity, more enthusiastic in her service than ever before. It was the wish of every brother that Phi Kappa Psi should "live ever, die never."

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, New York, April 14, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Virginia Alpha did not have a letter in the March number of *THE SHIELD*, owing to the fact that the letter did not reach the editor in the proper time, much to the disappointment of your correspondent, who, profiting by experience, a very severe teacher, has arrived at the conclusion that fraternity correspondence like all others should never be postponed.

For the past week the university has been unusually quiet, but this week we have had three germans and several other entertainments. Athletics are now occupying the attention of college to a great degree, and $\Phi K \Psi$ is well represented by Brother Greenway, the best all-around athlete at the university.

Several weeks ago the T. W. gave an exhibition, the music being rendered by the University Banjo and Guitar Club, of which Brother Stevens is president, and he plays on the banjo, and Brother Boyle on the guitar.

The Eli Bananas, an organization composed of the leading and picked men of college, had their spring initiation last week, four new men being taken in. To be an Eli is the highest honor attainable at the university, as the flowers of the fraternities are selected, and the requisites are of a very high standard. Brother Greenway was one of the favored few, and may be now seen walking around college with the blue ribbon on his left breast.

To-night the University Glee Club gave a performance in the Public Hall, which was a great success. They intend visiting in the next few weeks the principal cities in Virginia. $\Phi K \Psi$ is well represented by Brother Boyle on the guitar, Brother Stevens on the banjo, and Brother Hill sings alto.

Brother Greenway, as pitcher on the university base ball team, is gaining his well-deserved praise as a ball player again this season, and as the team is just getting in good shape we hope to meet with great success in the base ball field, many games having been arranged with the leading colleges of America.

Virginia Alpha has another alumnus located in Charlottesville. Bro. Lewis D. Aylett, who graduated in law several years ago, is engaged in the legal and real estate business with Samuel B. Woods, another alumnus. The latter was a candidate for Mayor at the Democratic primary, and was elected yesterday by a large majority.

As delegates to the Grand Arch Council, Brother Greenway was elected from the chapter, and Brother Holloway from the alumni. Owing to an unfortunate accident the former was unable to go, and Virginia Alpha was represented by Brother Holloway, who was one of the most enthusiastic and energetic of our last year members. While we all could not go, we were there in the spirit and had many kind wishes for those who were more fortunate than we. However, we were able to know of the proceedings through the newspapers, and those were eagerly read by all $\Phi \Psi$ s here.

Many things demand the writer's time, so this must suffice for this time, and we will endeavor to find something more interesting next time. With best wishes to all $\Phi \Psi$ s we close.

WILLIAM MEADE FLETCHER.

University of Virginia, April 11, 1890.

WASHINGTON AND LEE.

The Virginia Beta boys have become somewhat demoralized and all because of the tender passion. Turpin is constantly reading German love poetry (because his lady love does); Coman is unhappy, aye miserable; Miller went to the Y. M. C. A. State Convention at Norfolk, returned without his whiskers, and immediately invested in \$1.60 worth of books and \$4.25 worth of spring ties, with the careless and inconsistent remark that "It costs like Sam Hill to go to college;" Houston has been sick; Anspach never gets enough to eat, poor boy; nor Winfred enough "calico;" Davis has cold feet, and Watson hasn't but one friend on earth (that he cares for). To this distressing catalogue, however, we have but one good thing to add: We took in a goat two weeks ago, but even he isn't like a goat should be—frolicsome, full of fun and gaiety—but, ah me, sadly instead he walks about with hanged head not ready to answer the question and plainly 'fess up indigestion, but puts his hand in a conspicuous place and weakly says with distorted face: "Show bills, old rope and tin cans are enough to kill any man." But he is a *man* worthy of the $\Phi \Psi$, *capable* of holding his head high. He hails from Missouri good and true, and his name 'tis Andrew, J. W. We hope not to have done our new brother injustice, but such is the course in goatdom here.

The night of the initiation we treated him nicely. Dr. J. A. Quarles, Professor of Literature and Philosophy and an old Virginia Alpha $\Phi \Psi$, was present to witness the ceremony. After the grip had been extended to the brother, a screen was removed from the back part of the room exposing to view a well loaded table. We ate heartily in honor of our latest addition, he making the number in all, ten. Brother Andrew comes from Lexington, Missouri. He is in the class for an A. B., which he hopes to take in three years, making up one year. He stands well as a student, and falls into rank with our other brothers like he had always been used to it. The readers of THE SHIELD will hear of him often, as he and Bro. Johnnie Davis are the only men that will remain over until next year.

Bro. Samuel Garland Anspach has received a high college honor, and thereby honors his fraternity. He has been elected valedictorian of the collegi-

ate graduating class. Bro. Samuel G. has had a good record in the four or five years that he has been here. Not a year has passed without taking some honor of importance, last year taking a \$300 scholarship. The Virginia Beta is all right! Hard work is the resolution until June comes, when we hope to announce more success.

ROBERT L. HARPER.

Lexington, Virginia, March 15, 1890.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY.

Since writing our last, little has occurred to change the ordinary current of Gamma's usual course, but she has been glad to hear good news from all quarters of the fraternity. We were sorry not to be represented at the Grand Arch Council, but assure the readers of THE SHIELD that we were there in spirit, and so far as we have heard, fully endorse its conduct. And nothing speaks more for $\Phi K \Psi$'s earnest and enduring principles than does the interest of her alumni in her welfare.

I recall a little incident which happened two years ago, and which though unimportant in itself, may not be wholly out of place. I was riding to Farmville (a town seven miles distant from college, on business of a *pressing*(?) nature, when suddenly a tremendous storm arose and I was at some distance from shelter. I was beginning to get pretty well drenched when I heard a horse coming behind me at a furious rate, and saw its rider beckoning me to halt. My rather depressed feelings did not very cordially respond to his efforts to detain me, and (to tell the truth) I didn't know whether to go faster away from my unknown friend or to halt. I did the latter. When the stranger overtook me he insisted on my taking his umbrella and would not accept my earnest refusal at all. The conversation turned on college life, and my friend soon acquainted me with the fact that he had not only attended Hampden-Sidney College, but that he was also a $\Phi \Psi$. Thus, however distant and dignified he may seem, I never lose an opportunity of buttoning a $\Phi \Psi$ and giving him the news.

There is one matter which it seems should demand attention, and as doubtless most of us live in glass houses, we can all take it to ourselves. Is not the number of recent expulsions rather large? If so, where is the fault to be found?

Brothers Bresee and Dunlop spent Easter at their homes.

Bro. David Graham, owing to sickness, will not return to college before next year.

"Josh" Reynolds came up from Norfolk on the 10th to be present at the marriage of Miss Mary Friend and Frank McFaden.

Mr. Henry S. Reynolds, a large cotton dealer of Norfolk and an old $\Phi \Psi$, has paid several visits here lately, on business connected with the building of a handsome summer residence at this place next summer.

The Kappa Sigma Fraternity gave their first annual banquet on March 3d. $\Phi \Psi$ was ably represented by Brother Holladay in response to the proposed health of $\Phi K \Psi$.

Under the efficient leadership of Brother Stover the Hampden-Sidney

Musical Association has attained an unusual excellence. Brother Saunders is leader of the instrumental quartette, Brother Stover of the vocal quartette, and the undersigned is a member of the instrumental quartette also, and of the college sextette. Being now constrained to go to its meeting and being already late, we retire to the shades of private life.

W. S. STUART.

Hampden-Sidney, Virginia, March 11, 1890.

COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

District of Columbia Alpha has sought and found the fountain of youth, and her regular weekly meetings are growing more and more interesting and enthusiastic. We have been too busy in the work of reorganization to take steps toward securing a chapter hall, so have held our last three meetings at the residences of Brothers Houghton, Thompson and Wilkinson, respectively, who have spared no effort to give the boys the jolliest receptions they could have wished.

We commenced to meet three weeks ago with seven brothers in attendance. This number was increased to eleven at the following meeting, while at our last evening's gathering fourteen loyal Phi Psis were present, including our worthy Archon, Brother Stires, and Bro. W. B. McPherson of New York Delta, both of whom we were heartily glad to have with us.

The hope expressed in our last SHIELD letter is now realized. We have been successful in adding three new names to our roll of active members, and and it is with sincere pleasure and pride that we introduce Bros. Isaac T. Kennedy, '90; Frank E. Carstarphen, '91; and W. A. Mearns, '91.

Bros. Harry Washington Smith and Bruce Webb have been selected as our delegates to the forthcoming Grand Arch Council. Brother Christy, who is already in Chicago, will doubtless act as our alumnus delegate; so we will thus be very well represented.

The prospects of District of Columbia Alpha have never been more promising than now, and I very much doubt if there exists in all our fraternity a chapter more desirous of prosperity than ours. Phi Psi fire sometimes burns low, but it is never extinguished, and none of us but trusts that, with our newly augmented force, the light of the chapter will henceforth shine with exceeding brightness.

District of Columbia Alpha sends kindly greetings to all her sister chapters and to THE SHIELD, and trusts that the approaching Grand Arch Council may find a worthy place in the history of our fraternity.

F. WEBB HODGE.

Washington City, March 22, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

After a meteoric flight to Chicago, an initiation into the brotherly love of cosmopolitan Phi Psiism, an engorged liver brought on by participation in a glorious $\Phi \Psi$ banquet, and an undying enthusiasm imbibed while listening to the "High, High, High, $\Phi K \Psi$, Live Ever, Die Never $\Phi K \Psi$ " I winged my way home-

ward, but stopped to renew my acquaintance with Mississippi Alpha boys. It gave me a great deal of pleasure to find that they were all bright-eyed and light-hearted fellows, congenial and fraternal. They were of course eager to hear about the Grand Arch Council, and it was the theme of my conversation until bedtime. It afforded me a great deal of pleasure to loll on the bed in college boy fashion, surrounded by a crowd of enthusiastic youths, who have not as yet met face to face the realities of life, and detail the whom I saw, the what I saw, and the what was done at the Grand Arch Council.

They were all interested and seemed to glow with enthusiasm and love for $\Phi K \Psi$. We have in school now, Bullard, senior law, the honor man of his class; Pettus, Mills and Stevens, junior class; Massingale, sophomore; and Shannon, Dobyns, Saunders and Crawford, freshmen. Resolutions were passed *viva voce* for an active delegate in '92.

The University of Mississippi is in a flourishing condition apparently. A new library building is in course of erection and will be quite an ornament to the campus.

The $\Delta \Psi$'s, with their large and rich alumni behind them, are building a very elegant lodge, which will be awful nice to point to during the rushing season, but it excites no envy in the $\Phi \Psi$ heart, for she knows that the day is coming when she will be the owner of equally as good a one.

JOHN W. MOSELEY, JR.

Meridian, Mississippi, April 12, 1890.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The spring term opened March 26th with a large increase in attendance. The athletic association, which was formed last term, commenced active work during the vacation. The base ball and foot ball grounds are being put in excellent condition, and the new tennis courts are rapidly reaching completion. A new spirit has been infused in the students and all the fraternities and classes have organized base ball teams. Besides the regular courts on the campus, four of the fraternities have courts of their own. The first foot ball game of the season will be played next Saturday with the foot ball team of the Ohio State University.

Ohio Alpha was represented at the Grand Arch Council by three alumni members, namely, C. L. Van Cleve, '79, Henry Brant, '85, and Morris Dial, '87; and by five active members, P. Phillips, U. G. Sanger, '90; R. E. Westfall, C. J. Brotherton, '91; J. B. Foraker, Jr., '93.

Every one present was loud in his praises for the Chicago Alumni Association for the excellent manner in which all were entertained while in the city. We are sure nothing was left undone which would add to the pleasures of the occasion. May the Chicago Alumni Association live long and ever prosper. The members of the chapter consider the yell a very good one. We were glad to see so much enthusiasm at the Grand Arch Council. The work accomplished is very satisfactory to the chapter, and we think the Grand Arch Council, all in all, was very successful.

We were much pleased as well as surprised last Wednesday to receive a short but sweet visit from Bro. B. M. Allison, Harvard, '89, who was on his way to Birmingham, Alabama. He has recently been appointed by the Employers' Liability Assurance Company as General Manager for Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi.

J. B. FORAKER, JR.

Delaware, Ohio, April 14, 1890.

WITTENBERG.

That terrible and indiscriminating pestilence, spring fever, has made its appearance at Wittenberg, and seems in a fair way to take from us some of our brightest minds, but even this awful scourge with its demoralizing and de-paralyzing effects only increases the vigor and appetite of our faithful and venerable goat. Hence we, with great exultation, introduce to you Bro. William M. Goddard, '91, of Urbana, Ohio, who was initiated on March 6th, also Bro. Fred. Ehrenfeld, '93, initiated April 6th. In obtaining Brother Goddard, we not only secured a worthy $\Phi \Psi$, but also achieve a victory over our rivals, $B \Theta \Pi$, $A \Gamma \Omega$, and $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, all of whom repeatedly bid him. Brother Goddard is business manager of the Glee Club. Bro. Fred. Ehrenfeld is the third son of Dr. Ehrenfeld, Professor of Latin and English Literature, who has graced Ohio Beta's hall. He has been pledged to us for quite a while.

The new yell was used by us for the first time at Brother Ehrenfeld's initiation, with all the vim and vigor of a college boy's lusty throat. What a thrill of enthusiasm must have shivered the spinal column of every Phi Psi at the Grand Arch Council as he listened to and partook in that earnest expression of loyalty issuing from the throats of that noble band.

We had the pleasure of greeting on the 20th of February quite a number of our brethren from Columbus and Delaware, who were in attendance at the State Oratorical Contest. We feel compelled to say that at least no finer looking nor more manly delegation was present.

The annual reunion of District VI., of Beta Theta Pi, was held on the day following the contest at the Arcade Hotel.

Brothers Hosterman, Hiller and Lawrence, our delegates to the Grand Arch Council, came home bubbling over with joy and faith in Phi Kappa Psi, and swore they would attend every Grand Arch Council in the future if they had to steal a hand-car and sleep in a store box.

HENRY F. MACCRACKEN.

Springfield, Ohio, April 12, 1890.

WOOSTER.

Ohio Gamma's delegates to the Grand Arch Council have returned. Their glowing report of the time spent in Chicago has had the effect of stimulating the enthusiasm of the members to such an extent that one and all have declared their intention of attending in a body the Grand Arch Council of '92, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bro. Ed. Kibler, '80, our alumnus delegate to the Grand Arch Council, was

greatly interested in all proceedings, and expressed his hope to attend every Grand Arch Council in the future.

Bro. George Nimmons, '87, of Chicago, Illinois, dropped in to see the boys whenever his business would permit, and at the banquet he was found with the Ohio Gamma delegation.

Brothers Weeks of Marion, Ohio; Miller of Pittsburgh, and Hudson of Wooster, added their genial presence to the occasion.

Since our last communication to THE SHIELD, Bro. Ed. S. Raff, '81, Canton, Ohio, has been chosen President of the Board of Trade of that city. Ohio Gamma sends congratulations.

Death has again visited the ranks of Ohio Gamma's alumni. Bro. Samuel A. West, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, died at his home April 7, 1890. As an expression of sorrow and heartfelt sympathy to his relatives the chapter adopted the resolutions as found elsewhere in this number of THE SHIELD.

Athletics at Wooster is on a boom. Great preparations are being made to make the State Field Day, to be held at Wooster on May 23d, a success in every respect. The first ball game of the series with Ohio colleges will be played at Wooster, April 19th.

Ohio Gamma congratulates the fraternity on the re-election of Brother Van Cleve as editor of THE SHIELD. We believe in letting the good work go on.

Ohio Gamma sends greetings and best wishes to all sister chapters.

C. M. VOORHEES.

Wooster, Ohio, April 14, 1890.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Our last letter evidently went into the waste basket on account of its late arrival. The only thing that we regret about it is that it deferred the introduction of Bro. C. S. Powell, of Cincinnati, whom we initiated March 8th; but we take none the less pleasure in introducing him to the fraternity at large. Brother Powell is a member of '93, and a man who will make a good $\Phi \Psi$.

The winter term closed April 2d, just in time for the delegates to get off to Chicago. Brothers Smart, Dun, Miller, Beach and Peters represented Ohio Delta at the Grand Arch Council. They report a grand time, and have naught but praise for the splendid manner in which the alumni association entertained the brothers. We are glad to hear that THE SHIELD will remain a monthly, and that Brother Van Cleve is still in charge. We were also much gratified by the honor that was conferred on two of our alumni, Brothers Smart and Dun, in their election to the offices of secretary and treasurer. All the brothers much regret that the whole chapter could not have been present.

The spring term opened the 9th with several new students and most of the old ones back. Every thing is quiet in fraternity circles just now. The Sigma Chi's lose two of their '91 members, but as far as I know, all other frat. men are back.

The editors of the *Makio* are hard at work, and promise a good book.

Considerable interest is being taken in athletics at present. The base ball club is in good condition and expects to take a good place in the state contest.

Field Day has been set for May 8th. A large number of prizes have been offered by merchants of the city, and a day of great sport is expected. The prize drill will also occur some time in May.

We wish THE SHIELD and all the chapters much success.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, April 14, 1890.

DE PAUW.

Our letter last month was written in time, but failed to show up at the editor's office until it was too late for insertion, hence Indiana Alpha was not represented in the columns of the March SHIELD.

Well the Grand Arch Council is over. All of our boys who went came home well pleased with the success of the convention and were more enthusiastic Phi Psis. The writer had the pleasure of being there, and was so well pleased that he is never going to miss another Grand Arch Council if he can possibly attend. The convention, we think, was a success in every way, not only in the work accomplished, but morally, mentally and socially.

Our Phi Psi Quintette and Quartette gave an entertainment at Knightsville, Indiana, on the 4th inst. Our quintette is getting quite a reputation. It is in demand constantly.

All interest here at De Pauw, for the last four or five weeks, has been centered in the college and state oratorical contests. The college contest was held March 13th, and resulted in a victory for Mr. W. H. Wise, of the junior class, the first time in the history of the organization that a junior took first place. There were seven contestants this year, and it was very close and hence very interesting. At the contest for the State at Indianapolis, on the 11th inst., Mr. Wise had no difficulty in winning first place. This makes him the representative of the State at the Inter-State contest, which will be held at Lincoln, Nebraska, in May. De Pauw has taken first place in the State contests five times out of the last six.

At a recent prize contest in the Military Department, Bro. E. L. Ruffner, '93, took first place, this insures Brother Ruffner a high position in the department when he reaches his senior year.

Athletics are "on a boom" here. The athletic association has been re-organized, and funds have been raised for the equipment of the different teams. De Pauw is a member of the State Athletic Association, and Φ K Ψ is well represented on all the teams.

We have lost three of our boys this term, thus reducing our number to twenty. Bro. C. P. Knight graduated from the Law School at the Annual Law Commencement. Brothers Fitch and McGriff have also left us, but they will be in next term. Brother Fitch returned to his home in Kansas City, Missouri, and Brother McGriff to Des Moines, Iowa.

We expect to be able in our next letter to introduce some new Phi Psis to the fraternity.

O. M. STEWART, JR.

Greencastle, Indiana, April 12, 1890.

WABASH COLLEGE.

Another month, bearing away its load of success and failure, has added itself to the list of 1890. Since our last letter the spring vacation has come and gone. All our brothers, we are glad to say, are back again and in for work. Very few new men have entered college, and so affairs go on about the same, maintaining a tolerably even balance.

With the exception of a few days the weather has been beautiful, and fine for base ball. There is a good deal of interest manifested this year, and we expect to put a good team in the field. We at least hope that much. The freshmen have organized a team and will probably make things warm for the other classes. Brother Hutchings and your scribe will represent $\Phi K \Psi$ on that team.

A large clearing has been made in the campus for the location of the new library building. It will be very large, and fitted up in the most convenient style possible. Brother (Prof.) Milford will have a part of it especially furnished for the interest and benefit of his classes in English.

We are sorry that Wabash did not receive a better standing on the oratorical contest on the 11th. We feel that she deserved a better place, but must now submit to the inevitable, hoping for better things in the future. We were very happy to meet so many of our brothers in Indianapolis.

We are anxious to see William R. Baird's book on "American College Fraternities," and hope there will be a large subscription.

It gives Indiana Gamma great pleasure to again recognize Bro. C. L. Van Cleve as editor of *THE SHIELD*, and to extend our hearty congratulations to him. Fraternity news is not forthcoming, so with best wishes for all, we close.

JAMES H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, April 12, 1890.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

At the opening of the spring term, and immediately following the national meeting of the fraternity, Illinois Alpha sends greetings to her sister chapters. Quite a number of the boys, from different parts of the country, visited us just before and after the meeting of the Grand Arch Council. We were very sorry that, owing to the rush of business and the haste of the delegates to leave Chicago after the close of the convention, our little reception had to be abandoned.

Our hall never looked so pretty as now. It has undergone a thorough renovation. The rich wall paper and panelled ceiling are a great improvement over the old paper. The first meeting of the term was held last Monday evening. Every member was in his place. An extended review of the business of the Grand Arch Council was entered into, and general satisfaction shown as to results. The only problem about which there was any question was the new method of granting charters, and the new method was generally accepted as being exceedingly conservative—as conservative as a large fraternity could work under successfully.

The Grand Arch Council had a broadening influence on the brothers. We

came in contact with, and rubbed up against members from all over the country who held opinions similar to our own, and in some respects differing. Some had tried one method of working, and others, other methods, and the exchange of ideas was exceedingly beneficial.

On April 12th, the Wesleyan Glee and Banjo clubs gave an entertainment in Evanston, and we were agreeably surprised to find a Phi Psi brother leader of the banjo club, Brother Bray, formerly of Pennsylvania Beta. We had the opportunity of meeting him afterwards at the "fem. sem." reception, given by the young ladies to the members of the club, and managed somehow to have him miss the last train to Chicago. He stayed with one of the boys till next day. We enjoyed his visit exceedingly, and hope he may drop in to see us the next time he comes west.

STEWART A. MALTMAN.

Evanston, Illinois, April 12, 1890.

BELOIT COLLEGE.

The opening of the spring term found all of Wisconsin Gamma's men, with the exception of Brother Reckhow, in their accustomed places. Brother Reckhow has secured an excellent position and intends to "lay off" this term, but expects to join us again next year. He will be sorely missed by the nine this season.

The college nine has been training hard all winter, and is now in good condition for the season's work. Phi Psi is well represented. Brother Breitzman is captain. The faculty seem disposed to be a little obstinate with the nine, but probably will come around all right.

We gave a very pleasant party to our lady friends, alumni and "pledglings" at our chapter house the last of last term. About twenty couples were present, and enjoyed themselves with the aid of cards and dancing.

Brother Waite is getting ambitious. Not content with the mere dignity of senior, he has accepted a position in the Second National Bank of Beloit, and can now be found, early and late, poring over bank accounts and dusty ledgers. It is now D. Waite, Esq., banker.

The college glee and banjo clubs have just returned from a very successful trip. Not only did they have a great time, but they also succeeded in stowing away a goodly portion of the "root of all evil," as is evidenced by a glance at their well filled purses. Brothers Waite and Thompson ably represented Phi Psi on the glee club.

The Tomaso Mandolin Club, of Chicago, will give a concert in Beloit, April 18th. After the concert there will be a dancing party, for which the mandolin club will furnish the music. At the concert the glee club will also sing. Those who attended the Grand Arch Council banquet will remember the playing of the mandolin club, especially their rendering of the Phi Psi waltzes.

The Grand Arch Council of '90 has come and gone, but it will linger long in memory as the most successful Grand Arch Council ever held by the fraternity. Bros. S. M. Smith and Alvin Carpenter were Wisconsin Gamma's delegates. Brothers Crow, Sheean, White, Treat, Ingle, Carpenter and P. Smith were also

in attendance, and all returned with renewed patriotism and love for Phi Psi. Any one who attends such a convention can not return with the same feelings with which he went. His enthusiasm and his determination to help all that he can in promoting the interests of Phi Psi will be increased an hundred fold. Great credit is due to the members of the Chicago Alumni Association for the excellent way in which every thing, even the minutest detail, was arranged.

We were pleased to see that Brother Van Cleve has been retained in the office which he has filled so efficiently and so acceptably.

A. P. SMITH.

Beloit, Wisconsin, April 12, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

With this letter a new correspondent takes up the duty of keeping THE SHIELD'S readers informed of the doings of Kansas Alpha. Our delegates have returned from the Grand Arch Council, full of enthusiasm for old $\Phi \text{ K } \Psi$, and nothing but praises for the way they were treated in Chicago. As it had been some time since Kansas Alpha had been represented in the Council by an undergraduate delegation, it was our desire to send our full quota this year. Brother Prescott, '88, represented our alumni, and Brothers Brewster and Mush-rush, the active chapter. Brothers Overton and Hudson also attended. The boys all feel amply repaid for attending, and say, what we have all believed before, that a finer set of men than those included within the ranks of the Phi Psis have never been seen.

We are pleased at the change made in the method of granting charters. It is not a radical change, for a radical change we do not want. We are also pleased with the motion made by Brother Prescott at the Council, and which we are told was carried unanimously, of establishing a uniform system of book-keeping throughout the fraternity. This is highly desirable. We are glad to know that THE SHIELD will again be conducted by its present editor. Long live THE SHIELD.

The Phi Psi yell, which our delegates have brought with them from Chicago, is excellent. It will be used this evening for the first time. The idea of fraternity yells and whistles seems to be spreading. The delegates of Pi Beta Phi, who have been attending a convention of that sorority at Galesburg, have returned with a very elaborate whistle.

Every thing at the university is prosperous, though quiet. The attendance for the year will not be far from 600. All is now enthusiasm over the election of a Chancellor. Professor Francis H. Snow has been elected to that position, and the students would welcome him with acclamations. Many attempts were made by the Regents to obtain an eastern man, but the sentiment of the people seems to be that the Chancellor should be elected from the State of Kansas, and the Regents have acceded to this wish.

Kansas Alpha now stands at the top in its connection with the officials of the university. The new Chancellor has a son in our chapter. Two of the Regents (one of whom is acting Vice-Chancellor) are graduates of Kansas

Alpha, and five of the professors are Phi Psis. What more could any chapter ask? The beneficial influence which the presence of faculty members from one's own fraternity exerts upon the general standing of a chapter, is very great indeed.

Our chapter now has sixteen active members, and is in good working condition. We have just netted about \$200.00 from our lecture course. The Betas and Phi Psis are now talking of getting up a joint entertainment in the form of a comedy or burlesque, to be presented in the Opera House by the two fraternities, and the proceeds, if any, to be divided equally.

We have just moved out of our old hall which we have occupied for so many years, and have gone into a cheaper one. We have plans—but of these we will speak later.

This evening the chapter is invited in a body to the residence of Bro. F. W. Blackmar, Professor of History and Sociology at the university. Professor Blackmar is a favorite with the boys and is an enthusiastic Phi Psi.

I do not know to what extent college politics occupies the minds of the Phi Psis elsewhere, but here it forms quite a prominent feature of our college life. The university organizations are largely controlled by fraternity men, and the struggle between the different "frats." for supremacy becomes exceedingly warm at times. This year everything is quiet. The Phi Psis have their share of college honors. We run the *University Kansan* in connection with the Betas. There were formerly four fraternities in the combination, but for various reasons all but the Betas and ourselves have withdrawn. Suffice to say that we do not suffer from their loss.

The list of seniors eligible to commencement appointments has been posted. All of our three seniors were on the list. None of the others frats. were so fortunate to have a complete representation.

The rival fraternities at Kansas State University are all doing well. A little while ago some excitement was stirred up over the threatened breaking up of the Sigma Chi chapter, but the matter has quieted down now. The Sigs finally saved themselves from disruption by the forced resignation of three of their members. They are very weak in college now, having only one upper classman. They take in law and pharmacy students also, which is a detriment to their organization.

We have always found the Betas honorable friends and strong rivals. The Phi Gams have recently degraded the standing of their organization by the admission of two men who had no connection with the university whatever as students. This is an unheard of thing here.

The Phi Deltas—well they are weak. Their best men graduate this year, and they will come back next fall few in numbers and without much influence to speak of. They have a few fairly good men, but they have no energy, and men are taken away from them continually in the "rush." Their members are all in hearty sympathy with each other, and they take great interest in their fraternity. Several of them deserve to belong to a better fraternity than Phi Delta Theta.

It has been some time since Kansas Alpha was represented in THE SHIELD,

and we confess to considerable irregularity. We will try to be more prompt in the future. We give our best wishes to all Phi Kappa Psis.

H. F. ROBERTS.

Lawrence, Kansas, April 12, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

When we wrote the last letter to THE SHIELD we were looking forward to the Grand Arch Council with eager longings to "meet the boys," and see what a national convention of Phi Kappa Psis could do. We had not then read Pennsylvania Beta's enthusiastic letter, and the other good things in the March SHIELD. Now that we have attended a Grand Arch Council we can appreciate the spirit of the second paragraph of Pennsylvania Beta's letter in the last number of our monthly.

A full report of the proceedings of the Grand Arch Council has not yet been given our chapter, but the enthusiasm has risen already; and when Brother Soares returns, which will be next Tuesday, we venture that a rise of several degrees will immediately result.

Some of the actions of the convention were known to the chapter, and even to some outside, before the delegates returned, since the Chicago papers gave such a good account of what was done. The Phi Psi girls had learned the yell and seemed to appreciate it as much as the boys. We can not leave this subject without again assuring the Chicago Alumni of our hearty appreciation of their untiring efforts and magnificent success in making our stay in Chicago replete with pleasant remembrances. May the influences of their efforts there extend to the alumni in every city in the land!

The glee and banjo club from Madison was in Minneapolis, Wednesday night, and our boys turned out well to hear and see, and especially hear the banjos, for they knew five of the club were Phi Psis; but by some misunderstanding they did not meet the Wisconsin Alpha boys, for which failure we are very sorry. The boys were there, and we expect to be there next Monday night to hear Ann Arbor's Glee Club, but we shall try and not fail to see the Michigan Alpha boys.

The State Oratorical Contest will be held in Minneapolis next Tuesday evening, April 15th. The speakers from the university are Brothers Baily and Timberlake.

In our last letter we said we did not expect to buy peanuts as a result of the *Ariel* election, but we did, i. e. Brother Lommen did. Brother Timberlake was subsequently chosen business manager of the board. The new *Ariel* board enters upon its duties this month, and must get out three numbers this year. *The Gopher* will be published this year about May 10th. We would be glad to exchange annuals with all the chapters that think *The Gopher* equal to their annual, or that would like to compare or even to examine out of curiosity.

We have lately had a group picture taken, and while we can not satisfy California Alpha that it represents as fine a crowd of men as their's, we accept her proposition to exchange, and take this opportunity of letting her know we read her letters.

It would be out of place to discuss matters pertaining to the welfare of the fraternity so soon after so successful a Council. We have not received the results of our work there in regular form, but we know what was done and we are highly pleased.

We are pleased that THE SHIELD is to remain in the hands of the one who has done so much to bring it to the front rank of fraternity journals. We are proud of our paper. We are doubly glad that we are to receive it monthly, and while we know this occasions work, we expect to not only see it maintain its reputation, but we expect to see it improve. This requires careful preparation of chapter letters, as well as the work done by the editor. We should not think that because our monthly is good, it can not be made better. A good exchange department in a fraternity paper is an excellent help in keeping acquainted with the news of the Greek world. If all the B. G.'s would keep watch, they might help the editor quite materially by sending clippings from other fraternity journals that they think would be of interest to the brothers.

Minnesota Beta sends greetings and congratulations to all $\Phi \Psi$ s.

B. H. TIMBERLAKE.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 12, 1890.

I believe the chapter letter has been sent in, but I want to add a postscript. The Minnesota State Oratorical Contest took place on April 15th, and again the Phi Psis took the honors. Bro. B. H. Timberlake took first place with an oration on "The First American." He will represent Minnesota at the Inter-State Contest at Lincoln, Nebraska, May 1st. Bro. H. P. Baily took second place with an oration on "Political Pessimism." He will go as delegate to the Inter-State Association. Minnesota Beta feels "high, high, high," etc., etc.

THEODORE G. SOARES.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 16, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC.

At last the Grand Arch Council of '90 is a matter of history. This is the first time that California Alpha has not been represented by some alumnus delegate at least. It is needless to say we are sorry that we could not have been there to have grasped the hands of the brothers we almost feel acquainted with, having met them so often in the pages of our SHIELD. Our hearts and minds were there though, and all communications and telegrams during the session were eagerly sought and read.

Since our last letter Bro. Will Beasley has been compelled to leave school on account of ill health. Will is missed by the whole college, but especially by $\Phi \Psi$ and '92, as he was a brilliant orator, a genial fellow and a most loyal frater.

About a week ago invites were issued to all frats. to attend a Pan-Hellenic

reception given by the K A Θ 's. It was looked forward to by all $\Phi \Psi$ s with interest, and our anticipations were fully realized. On April 4th the event took place at the beautiful residence of Mr. S. B. Hunkins of San Jose.

K A Θ and $\Phi \Psi$ were decidedly in the majority, although $\Delta \Gamma \Delta$, B Θ II, and $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ were well represented.

$\Phi \Psi$ was represented at the Intercollegiate Y. M. C. A. Convention at Napa by Brothers Blake, Von Glahn, and Burwell. While there they had the pleasure of meeting and being entertained by Professor Ridgeaway. Brother Ridgeaway is from Dickinson College and is Vice-president and Professor of Mathematics at the college at Napa. The brother from Carlisle had evidently not forgotten his $\Phi \Psi$ days, and many pleasant reminiscences were related.

Bro. Clarke Whittier will soon have a very pretty $\Phi \Psi$ pin; crown settings of diamonds, rubies and pearls.

Work is progressing on our annual "*Naranjado*," which promises to be a fine publication.

Brother Tregloan conceived of the idea of having a $\Phi \Psi$ necktie, and consequently a stock was ordered and made to order in Chicago. It is a very pretty tie, and all the brothers now sport the lavender and pink.

Our new Chapel and Conservatory of Music is quite near completion, and we expect to occupy it by the first of May.

• F. G. CANNEY.

College Park, Cal., April 7, 1890.



Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA Z.

Brother Bacon, '69, who is at present clerk of the Baltimore Company, has a large farm and creamery near that city.

Bro. W. E. Eckersley, '75, is prominently identified with the public school system at Long Branch, N. J.

Brother King, '77, was among those old Phi Psis with whom the boys of the active chapters became acquainted during conference.

Bro. James Eckersley, '77, is the popular pastor of the M. E. Church at Newville, Pa.

Bro. B. S. Mosser, '77, is one of the most promising young ministers of this conference. He is stationed at Berwick, Pa., which is one of the first half dozen churches in the gift of the conference.

Brother Longsdorf, '87, has removed from Ocean Grove, and is now Professor of Greek and Latin at the Poughkeepsie Military Academy.

Brother Dunning, '75, has just entered upon the fourth year of his pastorate at Hanover, Pa. This tells the whole story of his effectiveness and popularity with his people.

NEW YORK B.

Frank J. Schnauber, of 513 South West Street, has been appointed assistant engineer by City Engineer Clarke. Mr. Schnauber is a graduate of Syracuse University, and has the honor of standing highest in the State Civil Service Examination at Albany last year.

NEW YORK A.

The Episcopal Church at Mansfield, has recently been undergoing extensive interior repairs, and is now one of the most pleasant houses of worship in Tioga County. Some time ago it was thoroughly repaired on the exterior, the grounds graded, etc., all of which gives abundant

evidence that the rector, Rev. J. B. Blanchet, is a hard worker, and makes stepping stones of obstacles that many persons would consider unsurmountable.—*Elmira Telegram, March 16, 1890.*

OHIO A.

Prof. J. W. White, '68, is a member of the managing committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens.

The friends of Rev. W. N. Brewster, '83, at Troy, Ohio, recently sent an organ to him at Singapore, India, for use in his meetings.

The many friends of F. S. Monnett will be pleased to learn that he came within nine votes of beating his Democratic competitor for the City Solicitorship of Bucyrus, a stronghold of Democracy.

Prescott Smith, Esq., of Cincinnati, has been recently appointed one of the Board of Examiners of the graduating class from Cincinnati Law School.

OHIO B.

'83. Edwin L. Arthur was admitted to Ohio State Bar, at Columbus, March 6, 1890. He will practice law in Springfield, Ohio.

'88. S. S. Burtsfield was admitted to Ohio State Bar, at Columbus, March 6, 1890. He has opened a law office of his own in Van Wert, Ohio.

'88. E. M. Ellsworth has gone to Harriman, Tenn. He has a responsible position under the contractors who are laying out and grading the town.

INDIANA A.

R. E. Kirkman, '88, recently read a paper before the "Tuesday Club"—a club composed of the leading literary people of Richmond. His subject was "The Industrial Conflict," and his production was highly complimented by the papers of that city. He also lectured to the students of the Richmond Business College. A DePauw man can't be kept down.

INDIANA I'.

Bro. S. King, '87, will shortly go to Oklahoma.

Bro. R. Hanna, '85, is a candidate for State Representative.

Bro. A. H. Hargrave, '81, is a candidate for State Representative from Park County.

Bro. W. J. Coleman, '91, is now with the Louisville *Post*.

ILLINOIS A.

Bro. I. J. Archer, in addition to his work at Chicago Medical College, is teaching at the Chicago Athenæum.

Bro. W. H. Tuttle, '88, is assisting in the law reporting for the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*.

Bro. C. H. Booth, '88, recently graduated from the law school, and was admitted to the Chicago bar.

Bro. C. M. Stuart is taking an extended trip through the Southern States for his health.

Bro. S. J. Herben has accepted the position of assistant editor of *The Epworth*, located at Chicago, and will continue his studies at Garrett Biblical Institute.

Bro. Geo. H. Horswell has returned from Berlin and taken up his old position in Preparatory School.

WISCONSIN F.

Bro. A. J. Brown is in business at Hancock, Minn.

Cupid has again been at work, and as a result Bro. F. S. Demshee, who is practicing law at Des Moines, Iowa, and Miss Hamilton of Sharon, Pa., were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony, November 14, 1889.

Bro. G. L. Hendrickson, who has long held a professorship in Colorado, Cal., has recently in addition become Principal of the Cutter Academy, which is connected with the college.

'82. Bro. J. E. Jacobson, as Principal Oahe S. D. Industrial School, is at present engaged in teaching the young idea how to shoot.

'85. Bro. J. P. Lansing has left the real estate business, and is now the Minneapolis, manager of a lumber company.

'86. Bro. L. M. Crow was a member of the Committee on Arrangements for the entertainment of the G. A. C.

MINNESOTA B.

Brother Dickinson, '90, law, has been appointed librarian for the Guaranty, Loan and Trust Company's new law library. The new Guaranty, Loan and Trust building, soon to be occupied, is twelve stories high and covers a large area of ground near the new post-office building in Minneapolis. Nine elevators will accommodate the people, and the library will accommodate the occupants of the building. The position of librarian was much sought for, and it was with much satisfaction we learned Brother Dickinson had been the successful applicant.

Brother Snedcor, ex-'91, is now editor of *The Salida Mail*, a semi-weekly published at Salida, Colorado. He had been assisting Brother Brown, '88, of Minnesota Alpha but a month, when Brown's ambition led him to a daily, and now Brother Snedcor occupies the editorial chair of the most popular paper in central Colorado.

Bro. O. L. Triggs, '89, F. U. M., lectured to the seniors Tuesday and Wednesday, April 15th and 16th, on "The Philosophy of Art," during the absence of Prof. MacLean.

CALIFORNIA A.

L. T. Turner, Junior with '86, Michigan law, '88, is now practicing law at Seattle, in partnership with Roger S. Green, Ex-Chief Justice of Washington Territory. His business is prosperous and he is married and happy.

'86. J. S. Ballard, Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, '89, has now a large practice in San Francisco. His address is 205 Powell Street.

'86. S. G. Tompkins is practicing law in San Jose.

'86. J. C. Needham, Michigan law, '89, and L. L. Dennett, Michigan law, '88, have formed a partnership for the practice of law in Modesto.

'84. H. G. Turner and B. F. Hall are engaged respectively in the grain and drug business in Modesto.

'81. M. H. Alexander is attending the Boston University School of Theology, as is also Harry Richardson, '89.

'81. F. W. Blackmar, Ph. D., Johns Hopkins, '89, is at present professor in the Kansas State University. He has recently written a history of Federal and State Aid to Higher Education, published by the United States Bureau of Education, which has been very favorably received.

'82. E. P. Bennett, S. T. B., Boston, '86, is at present preaching in Alameda.

J. W. McKinley, of Michigan Alpha, is Superior Judge of Los Angeles County.

Frank P. Taylor, of Indiana Beta, who is practicing law in Tulare City, California, is talked of as Republican nominee for Lieutenant Governor of California.

The class of 1887 held its first reunion recently in San Jose. Bros. H. W. Wilcox, Welch and Ross were present, and participated largely in the festivities of the delightful occasion.

College and Fraternity Notes.

The Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* has three salaried editors. We believe this is the only journal which pays any of its editors anything. Love seems to be the inspiring force which produces most of the Greek journals of the present day.—*θ Δ X Shield*.

The editor of THE SHIELD has had a salary for three years. Beta Theta Pi has paid the managing editor of its journal for his services for an equal time, perhaps longer. *The Scroll's* editor is being handsomely paid for his services.

“Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Delta Psi are making plans to establish chapters at the University of Melbourne, Australia, which has over 1,400 students enrolled.”—*Ex.*

We don't believe it.

Mt. Union was admitted and Miami was refused admission to the Ohio State Oratorical Association. The Association of Ohio Colleges, which requires for membership a certain standard of scholarship made necessary by the institution applying, four years ago admitted Miami, but has repeatedly refused Mt. Union.—*Scroll*.

The young ladies, members of the Phi Chapter of *K A θ* at University of Pacific, gave a delightful reception to the various fraternity men on the faculty and in college on the evening of April 4th. Representatives were present from the following societies: *B θ Π*, *ϕ Γ Δ*, *Δ T Δ*, *ϕ K Ψ*.

θ N E has been condemned by the faculty of Syracuse University, and members of the organization are debarred from all college honors.—*ϕ Γ Δ Quarterly*.

We are glad to hear it, and wish every college would take the same action. It should not be allowable for a member of any fraternity to join *θ N E*. It is a fire-brand which will yet make sad havoc in the Greek world.—*Shield of θ Δ X*.

Several attempts have been made to secure a charter of another fraternity for this college. Delta Tau Delta was the choice, but proved unsuccessful. Phi Kappa Psi was next tried, and one man has shown out with a pin, having been initiated, presumably, at Simpson College, Iowa, or the Northwestern, of Evanston. Three chapters are enough for this place, and for their own good, we trust that no more will come at present.—*Illinois Wesleyan Correspondence Scroll.*

This is news—EDITOR SHIELD.

How does this impress the readers of THE SHIELD appearing as it does among "Fraternity Gossip" in *Θ Δ Χ Shield*:

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The editor feels personally responsible for every advertisement in *The Shield*, and unhesitatingly adds his *recommend* to everything therein advertised. Many of the ads. are from personal friends in whom he has an abiding interest. A number are from Theta Delta and such demand an all-absorbing interest. In the interest of those who have thus contributed to the success of the present volume of *The Shield* short notes will be interspersed in reading matter. Your indulgence is craved—do not take offense at it. It is simply business. *The Shield* is devoted primarily to matters pertaining to Theta Delta Chi, but there is room for a few words for our business patrons. Do not forget the policy outlined in the last number. Our motto is fraternity and business, but no literary "per se."—*Editorial in Θ Δ Χ Shield.*

The italics are ours—EDITOR SHIELD.

Indiana University circles are just now interested in the efforts of the present senior class to get out of speaking at the commencement. For years it has been the custom for each graduate to give an oration or essay before receiving a diploma, a system inaugurated when the senior class numbered a dozen, more or less. Now that there are to be forty-five graduates, the class of '90 appealed to the Board of Trustees at their last meeting to allow them the privilege of electing an orator for commencement day, and to do away with the old method. This the board refused, requiring that each graduate make a speech. Now the seniors are circulating a petition, and it has been signed by all the members of the class, in

which they state that they will not speak on graduating day, which is directly in opposition to the board. What will be the result of the contest is easy to guess. Under-classmen are in full sympathy with the request, as success prepares the way for them in the future, as each class grows larger.—*Cincinnati Commercial Gazette*, April 6, 1890.

“Should a Greek-letter magazine contain only fraternity articles?” This is the first problem that we encounter in passing from the general principles to the more specific details of fraternity journalism; a question that has involved the Greek press in endless discussions and difficulties.

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In the first place what do we mean by the word “fraternity” in this connection? Is a Greek-letter magazine to treat merely of the mechanics of a fraternity, its taxes, conventions, semi-annuals and so on? Such a magazine might be useful, but plainly it would be an inadequate expression of fraternity life and relations.

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A fraternity magazine which would be only a journal of philanthropy and sociology would be impracticable, if not preposterous.

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In the ideal fraternity magazine, for instance, there would be no place for the so-called “literary article.” Its only possible mission would be to acquaint the fraternity with the character and abilities of the writer, and that object is much better accomplished by the more informal communication of the chapter or open letter. But, as I said at the beginning, the fraternity editor must be decided by many considerations besides his own desires. He must be decided not only by the needs of his fraternity, but by its compliance with his plans and wishes. If he asks for “Chapter Histories” and receives articles on “Hindu Mythology,” if he petitions for practical “Open Letters” and obtains prize orations, he must fill out his pages with the “Hindu Mythology” and prize orations, unless he is prepared to write the entire magazine himself. A really valuable magazine can be produced only by the intelligent co-operation of editor and fraternity. If the members of a fraternity fail to carry out the ideas of an editor because of their ignorance of his wishes, then the reproach as failure belongs to the editor. In many cases contributors are ready and willing to write, if suitable subjects are assigned them. But when the editor has expressed his wishes the responsibility descends upon the fraternity; upon them depends the magazine’s ultimate failure or success.—*Miss Dodge in The Key*.

No fraternity journal that has come to our notice seems to have such an all-absorbing, exclusive fraternity spirit as has THE SHIELD of Phi Kappa Psi. Not that it is narrow or unjust to other fraternities; but it is evidently published for Phi Kappa Psi, and Phi Kappa Psi news it brings; there is little time or room to chronicle events of interest in the fraternity world at large.

Not one item of outside news is found in the February number, except such as the chapter letters incidentally note. No doubt, as a purely fraternity organ, this is the proper stand to take; yet, all fraternities are so closely united by a common interest, that this exclusive spirit strikes one as a little out of the way.—*Delta Gamma Anchora.*

Beta Theta Pi, not content with a fraternity flower must needs pursue the symbolic idea flagward. Witness the following from the *Beta Theta Pi*:

The flag selected, of which color sketches will soon be sent to the chapters, will, we think, meet with general favor and hearty adoption by the next convention.

Each of its features has a natural and appropriate significance to a Beta. Our three stars, so rich in their suggestiveness, shine out from a field of dark azure. They are arranged in a pyramid of equal sides, symbolical of the enduring qualities of our order. The blue of the field is a recognized color of the fraternity. The darker shade is used both as more appropriate in a flag, and because it is the only practicable shade in bunting. The red of the rose, in itself a fraternity emblem, is the nearest shade in the primary colors to our pink, which, charming and most appropriate as it is for use at banquets and evening wear, is hardly appropriate for the sterner uses of a flag. The white was added as the recognized color of Mystic Seven. The principles and traditions of the Mysstical Seven harmonize with and enrich our Beta emblems; and this line of white, in which all colors blend and which is in itself the type of purity, enhances the rich blue of our Beta flag.

At exactly twenty minutes past one of Thursday afternoon, March 13th, the old bell on the hill at Madison University began ringing at an alarming rate. The surprised students poured out of the dormitories to learn the cause. Quickly the word passed from lip to lip, "the name has been changed." Immediately all the instruments, accumulated by years of periodic bell-ringing, were brought forth, and the air was filled with a fearful din. A procession was formed, headed by a drum corps,

and East College, West College, alumni hall, the laboratory, Eaton hall and the academy were invaded and treated to a concert by the impromptu band. Occasionally, while the buglers took breath, the new yell, "yell high! yell great! Rah! rah! Colgate," was given by 100 voices. To add to the general joy, word was passed along the line that the faculty had granted the boys' request to make Friday a holiday. In the evening a procession of about 250 students, led by a brass band, began their march, which was only ended when every member of the faculty had been serenaded.

$\Phi \Delta \theta$ has not established any new chapters since our last issue. She is represented now in only sixty-six institutions.— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ *Quarterly*.

$\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ has initiated more than one hundred honorary members during her existence of fifty-eight years. This fact accounts for the many names of college presidents and of other persons of renown which embellish her catalogue.— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ *Quarterly*.

An effort is being made to organize in Washington a university club on the plan of the University Club of New York. There are over five hundred college men in the Capital City, of which number nearly two hundred are members of Congress.—*Ex.*

But this extensive and costly circulation of printed correspondence has a higher mission to perform. First of all it should be a means of furnishing each individual member with an accurate and immediate knowledge of the status of the whole fraternity, and this can only be gained by a thorough examination of the condition of each component chapter and of the institutions in which they are placed—a laborious work unless scientifically treated.

The Beloit men have hit upon the following plan, which so far has proven satisfactory. To begin with, we have procured an old U. S. land-office map, about 4x7 feet in size, and on it marked off with red crayon the boundary lines of the nine fraternity districts. The districts are numbered, each chapter is properly located and then indicated by its Greek initial or initials, and the map is hung on the wall of the assembly room, handy for ready reference. So much for the outfit. Now for *modus operandi*. Some member (the corresponding secretary ought to be the best informed) is appointed to give, at a certain future meeting, a history of the fraternity, illustrating by the map the extent and direction of its growth at different stages. If necessary, he can prepare by reading Baird's history of Beta Theta Pi, or other articles bearing on the the subject,

published in the magazine within the last several years. He can make his talk interesting and instructive in many ways. For instance, let him point out as he proceeds the various extension centers or distributing points, such as, first, old Alpha; then Jefferson, Western Reserve, Michigan, De Pauw, or Virginia, which have been the ganglions whence Beta enthusiasm and purpose have spread continually further and further into surrounding Greek regions.

Such an exposition of the fraternity records at the same time makes the members more familiar with the various chapters and gives a basis for easily remembering and locating them.—*Beloit Corr. Beta Theta Pi.*



Miscellany.

IN MEMORIAM.

SAMUEL A. WEST.

WHEREAS, Death has removed from the ranks of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity Bro. Samuel A. West, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, who died April 7, 1890, and,

WHEREAS, Brother West was an honored alumnus of Ohio Gamma Chapter ;

Resolved, That we, the active members of Ohio Gamma, formally express our feelings of sorrow over the loss of our honored alumnus,

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his relatives suffering so keenly his loss,

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to THE SHIELD for publication, and be spread upon the minutes of the chapter.

J. C. FALCONER,
W. V. BLACK,
C. M. VOORHEES,
Committee.

Wooster, Ohio, April 14, 1890.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *Δ Y Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with THE SHIELD for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

The same terms as above are hereby offered for SHIELD and *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. THE SHIELD's files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files ?

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We have on hand a large supply of broken volumes of THE SHIELD, the separate numbers of which may be of service in completing files. We shall be glad to respond to letters of inquiry on this subject, and shall take pleasure in filling orders for back numbers as far as possible.

Recently we have received a number of the inquired for copies which have been asked for by so many that we will only be able to furnish those who now apply first.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following :

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THE NEW GENERATION.

[An oration delivered at the Grand Arch Council, Chicago, Illinois, April 4, 1890, by Rev. E. A. Schell.]

This is the fourth generation in the history of the republic.

The first is represented by that galaxy of heroes that crowd the epic period of the revolution.

The second is the "generation of compromise." It fills the period when men trembled at the word disunion; when legislation and even religion were conciliatory. It is there we place the giant figures of Benton, Clay, Webster and Calhoun. Then follows the war generation. They charged through the smoke of the "wilderness," and marched with Sherman to the sea. They fought

"For the birthright yet unsold,
For the history yet untold,
For the future yet unrolled,"

And, because they met the great questions of liberty in a reverent spirit, their names can not perish from the earth.

Here and there a battle-scarred veteran still lingers, but the generation that shouted victory at Appomatox is almost gone, and a new one is left with the destinies of the world. What a splendid generation it is! Born in the years from 1860 to 1865, rocked by heroic matrons, carried in heroic arms! Their earliest glance saw the men of that older generation bear back the "three-colored banner of victory" with "not a stripe erased or polluted, not a single star obscured." They heard the echoes of liberty go ringing through the earth. Each generation speaks its own sentence. I wonder what the sentence of this generation is to be! Will its great deeds fill an epic period? Will its great names shine like stars

in the canopy of all future generations, or will progress and reform, in all their lines, be stayed when this generation fills the places of trust and of power?

The present is always interesting and important. This is especially true as we stand before the open portals of the twentieth century. From any aspect the times are pregnant and portentous. Like some majestic vessel riding into harbor under the pressure of a fierce storm and full sail, the world is nearing a new port of a new age. The physical man has had his day. Man has built his pyramid like the ant, his palace like the bee; even worms work out his befitting robes. He has had recourse in the conduct of himself to his understanding. We are just completing the period of intellection. Mind has put into the hand of man every key with which to unlock nature's wealth and mysteries. He has compressed the world within the limits of a Roman march. With his new spectacles he peers into the moon's extinct volcanoes; with his spectroscope he analyzes the elements of sun or star better than if he stood upon them with hammer, retort and crucible. He listens over the ant hill with his microphone, and it sounds like the hum of spindles. What new monarch is this! Lightnings illuminate his palaces, waft his rich argosies, bear his messages. He hangs a mountain of iron in the air and calls it a bridge. He dives through a mountain and calls it a tunnel. Music waits upon his spirit; the canvas glows under his subtile touch.

But even to this transcendent man, history, as well as his own resolution, prescribes the law of progression. However luminous his past, he can not stand fast at his present elevation and refuse to climb. It is the glory of the men of the past generation that they improved upon all ages before them. They greatly enriched and beautified the inheritance which their fathers bequeathed to them. It will be to the undying reproach of their successors if this full tide of improvement is stayed. The generation enters upon its career with peculiar advantages. An abounding harvest of scientific discovery constitutes their resources for new enterprises. The light of varied experiments shines full upon their pathway. If with these facilities, so many and so great, they shall do no more than maintain the present status of morals and intelligence, they are destined to act but an inglorious part. If they shall come forward with only the same intelligence and resolution that belong to their fathers, the utmost to be expected is, that humanity shall not retrograde. Progress under such circumstances is impossible. There must be tremendous accessions of courage and enthusiasm. The reinforcement of a few kingly spirits will save the battle when the line wavers. In the great future a single individual, with enlarged conceptions of duty, courageous and enthusiastic,

may bear the palm. Society now has schemes of reform which, accomplished, would make the age lustrous. She wants agents to execute them. To give to society a new momentum, to quicken and multiply the energies of every beneficent enterprise, is the duty of the new generation. This is their vocation, and for it they should diligently equip themselves as champions whose eyes are already fixed upon the arena of the coming conflict.

In which direction then shall we push the ascent? Yonder lies the pathway of classical learning. Mount, if you choose, the Acropolis; stand on the west summit of the Parthenon, and you may see the groves of Plato's Academy, the grounds of Aristotle's Lyceum, the walks of Socrates, the Pnyx of Demosthenes, the Mars hill of St. Paul, the Propylæ of Phidias, the sacred road to Elusis and the stately theater of Æschylus, Sophocles and Euripides. That is the loftiest outlook on the globe over human intellectual history. Climb to its summit if you may.

That is the path for the scientific spirit. It has already wrought the miracle of the "loaves and fishes" in the earth. Unknown forces of the sunbeam, dew-drop and aurora wait to be utilized. New symmetry, force and beauty are to come out of steam, wood and iron. The future telephone shall reveal the face of the speaker. The age of aluminium shall run parallel to the age of electricity, and out of clay men shall build better homes for their children, better seats for education, better temples for the worship of the living God.

The field of practical politics is most inviting; I would direct you there. Political corruption has made its way to high places. The sovereign rights of the people have been assailed. The question is yet to be settled, whether Democracy is competent for its own preservation. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance. The scholarly and the refined must not shrink with cowardly fastidiousness from the effort to keep the state pure. Nations must have courage enough and nerve enough to put down every form of crime, whether respectable or disreputable, with swift, sudden and condign punishment. Liberty is no liberty if she permits the professional jury-fixer and the ward "hustler" to take refuge under her shield. She is false to her mighty beneficence if she does not trample out the hot-beds of temptation. "Woe to the nation that is not fearlessly faithful to grapple with its own corruption—that is too timid to scourge the back of crime. Let every man that stands erect at his country's altar hasten to tear from its pedestal the brazen image of such a spurious freedom."

Let me also commend to you the great questions that are mooted and debated in the daily press. I could wish you no more responsible position

than to sit in an editorial chair and direct the quick brains and nimble fingers that make a volume of history for the world every day. When you shall "come to your kingdom," see to it, that the press not only echoes public sentiment, but that it has a voice—a voice that shall "beat back ignorance, with its owls and bats, and that shall break the racks and gibbets of unjust power."

But I know you wait to be pointed up that golden way that has above its portals those other watch-words of our fraternity. Let every Phi Psi cultivate the affections and the will. Who can measure the power of a tear, or estimate the nobleness of friendship! For lack of it we couple two adjectives with Bacon's name. We call him not only the "mightiest," but the "meanest," of mankind. It even compelled the bitter enemy of Brutus to say:

"His life was gentle, and the elements
So mixed in him that nature might stand up
And say to all the world, 'This was a man.'"

Let each chapter home, let each individual Phi Psi, cherish much this golden, everlasting chain. As the velvet moss will cling to the rock, as the ivy clings to the moldering ruin, as the cypress remains fadeless through all the changes of the year, so in that great future, let loving remembrance twine her tendrils about the crumbling altars and passing years of each brother's heart.

The physical and intellectual man is passing from the stage of action. The spiritual man is on the threshold. The brightness of his day will surpass our present even as the spirit outlasts the body. It is now in its dawn; the oncoming of its glory is but a little in the future. Moral forces are in portentous motion. How many questions meet us on the border land of mind! How many more in the domain of spirit! Think also, brethren, upon the things of the spirit. For myself, I look back gratefully upon a chapter home, where every brother held this great truth in love. It is typical of the new age.

Members of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, I salute you. Hail to the future; it tarries but a moment. You have heard the tide rise on the land. Hark, do you not hear the low murmur of the coming age—the spirit tread of the advancing century! Listen, do you not hear the first faint, sweet note of that far-off, yet ever-nearing, song! I would not stir you up to a thought of unfair leadership, but by all that is solemn in our covenant vow and sacred in our mystic symbolism, I exhort you. Transcend, if you may, all in the magnificent service you render to humanity. Let your voice be heard loud and clear ringing over the field in

the thickest of the fight; your standard steadily moving at the head of the advancing column. Let humanity learn to look for your colors, and to know that where they fly, there are truth and victory.

THE OLD COLLEGE FRIEND.

[A poem read at the Chicago Grand Arch Council, April, 1890.]

Men of Athens, permit me to hazard the wish
That these lines might be served to you all in a dish,
And alongside of viands so temptingly fine
That at least you might swallow them down with your wine;
For a poem—alas! of the style “extra dry,”
Quite unlike the champagne, is no better thereby;
Still, though tasteless it be, let one bumper ascend
To the welfare and health of the old college friend.

No allurement of place, no enchantment of power,
No endearment of love and no chastening hour,
No riches, no passion, no poverty's strife,
No friendships that follow in after life,
Can e'er drive from our hearts or in memory dim
The cheer of the hearty hand-clasp of him—
Of the man who can be a friend down to the end;
If once, then forever—the old college friend.

Oh, I care not how brilliant the editor's pen,
Tho' he bear the proud title of leader of men!
Nor the jurist how keen, nor the statesman how wise;
'Mid his triumphs a vision forever will rise
Of that quaint little world he knew long, long ago,
And that band of a dozen brave boys or so;
And in fondest devotion will memory send
A tribute of love to the old college friend.

Round some of us Plenty her wealth shall unfold;
And some of us, too, shall know hunger and cold.
No respecter of persons is fate; and we
Shall impartially blessed and cursed be.
And although in the heat of life's worry and fret,
For a day, for an hour, we may chance to forget,
Still, when homeward at evening our tired steps tend,
Who so welcome a guest as the old college friend?

The Old College Friend.

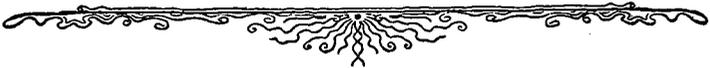
Like a garden with blossoms and perfume replete
 Are the dream-realms of love: Love is sweet!
 Men are slaves in the clasp of his finger tips,
 Men are kings at the touch of his wanton lips;
 But when grief has enshrouded his altars in gloom,
 And the firelight has fled from the darkened room,
 Oh, who can in sorrow such sympathy lend
 As the warm-handed, man-hearted, old college friend?

It was he who shared all our ambitions and dreams,
 Our companion in all our extravagant schemes,
 In our miniature battles, and class-day affrays,
 In defeat, in success, in our blame and our praise;
 It was he who in sickness drew tenderly near,
 With his hands full of help and his heart full of cheer,
 And no matter what came, we could always depend,
 In the hour of our need, on that old college friend.

Peace, friends; for lo! at the midnight hour
 Gleams a light from Fraternity's high watch-tower!
 Far away unto sunrise and sunset sea,
 Bearing hope, love and faith to humanity!
 Clasp hands and ring glasses! and fling wide the scroll!
 'Tis the dawn of the reign of the clear-visioned soul!
 When all nations in one common brotherhood blend,
 And all men are as true as my old college friend!

THOMAS W. HAYMOND.

Terre Haute, April 2, 1890.



The Areopagus.

NEW YORK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

I beg to transmit herewith a report of the proceedings of a recent meeting of the New York Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi. In response to a notice issued by Mr. Henry Pegram for an assembling of the resident alumni members of the fraternity, the following named gentlemen: Walter L. McCorkle, Virginia Beta; William M. Thacher, Kansas Alpha; C. H. Humphreys, Ohio Alpha; P. M. Leakin, Pennsylvania Zeta; J. I. Anderson, Illinois Beta; Henry Pegram, New York Delta; Reynolds Beal, New York Alpha; Theodore G. Lewis, Wisconsin Gamma, met at the club house of the New York Southern Society, at 18 West 25th Street, on the evening of the 10th of April, for the purpose of organization. After an informal dinner, on motion of Mr. Thacher, Mr. McCorkle was elected temporary Sr. President and Mr. Leakin temporary Sr. Secretary. A roll call of the charter members resulted as follows: Present—Messrs. McCorkle, Thacher, Humphreys, Lewis and Leakin; absent—Messrs. R. L. Harrison, Virginia Alpha; J. H. Caldwell, Pennsylvania Zeta, and J. L. McMurray, Ohio Delta. A quorum was declared present, and a temporary membership committee, consisting of Messrs. Lewis, Thacher and Humphreys, was appointed. The following gentlemen present were proposed for membership by the committee, and were unanimously elected: Messrs. J. I. Anderson, Henry Pegram and Reynolds Beal. The association, upon motion, proceeded to the election of permanent officers, with the following result: Bro. Henry Pegram was elected to the office of Sr. President. The remaining offices were then filled as follows: Messrs. W. L. McCorkle, P. M. Leakin, Theodore G. Lewis, J. I. Anderson, W. M. Thacher, Reynolds Beal. The chapter was then declared to be formally organized, and the following committees were appointed: On membership, Messrs. Leakin, Anderson and McCorkle; on by-laws, Messrs. Humphreys, Thacher and Lewis. The newly-elected President

called the attention of the chapter to the necessity of subscribing for THE SHIELD. On motion, an adjournment was had to meet at the call of the President on the second Thursday in May.

THEODORE GRAHAM LEWIS.

New York, April 23, 1890.

CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

Rev. Clarence Hills, Troy, Ohio, was a recent Phi Psi visitor here, taking a Phi Psi dinner with a Phi Psi crowd.

Miss Mary B. Smart, Chillicothe, Ohio, kindly furnished some desired memoranda for use in Cincinnati Phi Psi circles this month.

The name of Phi Kappa Psi is becoming as well known in this city and vicinity as that of any other order, made so by large orders for THE SHIELD for liberal distribution in all circles, also by seeing that city newspapers are well supplied with Phi Psi information at regular intervals.

F. A. Roberts, New Richmond, Ohio, heads an interesting party from that popular suburb for attendance upon the May Musical Festival at one of the special matinee occasions.

Miss Nannie S. Branham, No. 352 W. 8th St., Cincinnati, will furnish some music for the fraternity song book of her own composition. Miss Branham and companion, Miss Louise M. Schrader, are among those well known in Cincinnati circles as accomplished violin players.

C. S. Powell, of Ohio State University, but whose home is on Mt. Auburn, this city, is placed on the rolls here as a member of the alumni association.

The March address of J. W. Peters, D. D., has been printed, and copies are being mailed to Phi Psi addresses generally, wherever known. A large number of copies are being mailed to addresses outside of Phi Psi circles, the latter by the special requests of the parties. Dr. Peters is widely known.

Recently a copy of the April SHIELD was handed to a popular young lady. But it was luncheon, and ice cream, delicious biscuit and a new spring hat; these became mixed somewhat in the vicinity of the department "Areopagus," and she verbally wondered out loud why "Cincinnati Phi Psis' letter was under heading 'asparagus.'"

Harry F. Miller, Columbus, Ohio, recently here, was introduced by Secretary Everett, entertained over Sunday, given a glimpse of Phi Psi life in the Queen City, and meeting a pleasant group at an informal home dinner party.

The Springfield Alumni Association in arranging for their June 17th

affair, will have extended notice and full attention at the hands of Phi Psis in Cincinnati. The alumni associations of the two cities are one in their "up and doing" for the fraternity. "Each for the other, both for Phi Kappa Psi."

Miss Sallie Cameron, No. 1132 8th St., Louisville, Kentucky, not unknown as a writer and poetess in the accomplished circles of that fair city, will have a new song ready for the Phi Psi song book, composed especially for use in the fraternity.

Willard Kendig is away from the city for the summer vacation. Some impressions he left behind await his return for the fall term. Fair ones with both golden and brunette locks!

Mrs. Laura A. Letterman, No. 1180 E. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky, the honored widow of W. H. Letterman, one of the founders of Phi Kappa Psi, is being remembered from Cincinnati Alumni Association.

Robert Lowry, D. D., Plainfield, New Jersey, remains a regular correspondent with Phi Psis here, and is accorded warmest regard and a high place by the members of the Cincinnati Alumni Association.

Mrs. Kate Roehl, formerly of Connersville, Indiana, has returned from New Orleans, where the winter was spent, and is now settled in the fine new home in Greencastle, Indiana. Miss Roehl will enter De Pauw University, and the home will be maintained there through her college course. Mrs. Roehl and daughter are numbered among the families of Phi Kappa Psi, and are ardent supporters of the fraternity.

W. H. Manss, Berlin, Germany, is the active leader in musical matters of the choir in the Mission Church supported by the students. Music reaches them regularly through the mails from Cincinnati Phi Psis.

THE SHIELD is already very actively and largely supported by Cincinnati Phi Psis. A large number of last month's SHIELD was taken and all well used. Some special subscriptions were given for remaining part of the year. Extra copies will be taken of each month remaining. But more is to follow. Next year a largely increased list of regular subscribers will be had from Cincinnati.

Hayden's Cafe, Seventh and Race streets, one of Cincinnati's finest and most extensive, best kept and best managed, is rapidly becoming the popular headquarters for Phi Psis, resident and visiting, for Phi Psi luncheons and lunchers. Phi Psi tables are set aside whenever desired.

Something new in the way of circular letters was this month issued to the members of the Cincinnati Alumni Association. It included brief but interesting mention of Phi Psi history, notables, and outlines of present work and strength. The letter concluded with special mention of local matters of interest and use to Cincinnati members.

There is now in course of preparation for printing in handsome form a complete roster of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, giving fraternity history of each member, outline of the association organization and meetings, and pages of special matter pertaining to the fraternity at large. The arrangement will be new and the contents of much interest. A large number will be printed to supply to any Phi Psi on request. Matters are not allowed to remain quiet in fraternity circles or interests in this vicinity between the regular quarterly banquets.

The Phi Kappa Psi Waltzes continue going out and the demand seems to be nowhere near any signs of abatement. The music is being ordered and used in every part of the country, and is considered an effective piece on public programmes, and for popular use without respect to fraternity lines or circles. The number already sold was something entirely unexpected and unlooked for. Its run will continue for a long time to come. The John Church Co. will assume the risk and furnish the capital for further music for Phi Kappa Psi, and will next get out a Phi Kappa Psi Grand March that will supersede anything in that line yet published and used in fraternity and college circles. George P. Handy and J. R. Murray, formerly connected with the firm and well known throughout the music trade circles of the United States, will arrange for the handsome and elaborate make up of the new music and for its thorough presentation.

The Cincinnati Alumni Association will have the next regular banquet and reception very early in June. The affair will include some special features that will attract attention to the fraternity, and will be of prominent interest. In the way of special addresses and an extra musical programme, the arrangements will afford opportunities for a most effective Phi Psi gathering. A good attendance is promised. The attendant expense is \$1.00 per plate. Phi Psis everywhere always have a hearty invitation to all gatherings of the Cincinnati Alumni Association. The date and programmes will appear in circulars to be printed for general mailing.

E. A. D.

Editorial.

There is an alarming increase of "lost" addresses. Can not the readers of THE SHIELD discover for us all these "unknowns?"

The style of annual letters from the chapters to their alumni is steadily improving, and we are delighted with such evidence of progress. In this connection we suggest that it is a pleasant feature of this sort of communications to give them a name by which they may be distinctively known, thus, *The Grip*, of Ohio Δ .

A few correspondents failed this month to appreciate the fact that Uncle Sam, even with his fast mail service, can not rival the electric telegraph. Letters dated the 14th or 15th of any month and written in remote parts of the country can not reach us by the 15th. Our rule for that date is imperative, and we hope correspondents will all remember this decision and their duties because of it.

The Springfield Alumni Association holds its second annual banquet on the 17th of June. A glorious array of speakers has been prepared, including Brothers Rea, Foraker, Willitts, Ort, De Camp and Martin. Every Phi Psi who reads these lines, and who is within a thousand miles of Springfield, is cordially invited to be present and is guaranteed a glorious time.

We ought not to be compelled to remind correspondents and brothers in $\phi K \psi$ generally that the revived interest among Phi Psi Alumni can not be maintained and

increased unless more zeal is shown in sending personals to THE SHIELD. While it is true that chapter letters are the most important feature of any Greek-letter society journal, it is equally true that to the old boys a chance mention of some whilom chum is doubly sweet.

We have a few staunch Phi Psi friends who scan the daily papers, and from these and other sources cull for us many items of interest to Phi Kappa Psis. May the number of such increase.

We wish the brothers to read with care Miscellany of this month, for the particular reason that by the kindness of various brothers we have been enabled to get together a number of complete volumes of the past three years, which may be had by the first who call for them. We have a complete file of THE SHIELD which we could not be persuaded to part with for any reasonable price, and doubt not that others would be glad to add to their files missing numbers or volumes.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of the *Halcyon*, Swarthmore's annual. This reminds us to say that the supply of college annuals on our table this year, as the last, is meager. Perhaps the review of these publications is not profitable reading to SHIELD supporters. If we do not receive a more general response to our several invitations to forward annuals for review, we shall conclude to discontinue the publication of a critical article on this subject each fall.

However, we consider this sort of review eminently fit for the pages of a college secret society journal, and shall regret the neglect to provide us with material as a serious curtailment of matter in a department of literary work already extremely limited in scope.

Welcome, thrice welcome West Virginia Alpha! May the lofty purposes and high ideals of Christian manhood

manifested by the petitioners be maintained for many succeeding years, yea, forever.

We need not say that the very high character of the petitioners had much to do with the granting of the petition. We are glad to see $\phi \kappa \psi$ regaining the ground in the South lost because of the desolation of the Civil War. We would welcome to our ranks four more institutions of the Southland, and hope that worthy petitioners may succeed in planting $\phi \kappa \psi$ in them.

West Virginia Alpha will be established by Archon Stires about June 1st.

The Greek-journal paragrapher is a queer lot! He has little regard for truth or accuracy, and is some times a worshipper at the shrine of antiquity, if we are to judge by the hoary "chestnuts" which now and then appear in print. Not to mention the blunders going the rounds of the fraternity journals regarding colleges in general and other societies, $\phi \psi$ s will be grieved to learn from our veracious contemporaries that we are about to establish a chapter at the University of Georgia, at Mt. Union College, that there are no Greek-letter societies at Johns-Hopkins, etc.

There is no excuse for the publication of silly stories without the slightest foundation in fact, under the plea that news is demanded. Some of the so-called "news" published in our contemporaries is so new that it is raw.

We have from time to time received from alumnus subscribers criticisms of the chapter letters, which in some measures are justifiable, but which in many instances are but evidences of petulance or hypercriticism. We pity a man who gets so old that an enthusiastic letter from a college boy to his fraternity organ does not thrill with pleasure and pride, and when such a one in the plentitude

Chapter Letters.

BUCKNELL.

Owing to urgent duties our letter was not sent to the last SHIELD, but we hope that this one may be of enough interest to atone in some measure for the omission of the last.

One of our number, Bro. Frank Macleduff, is not with us this term, having left college, but we hope soon to add another to our number, who has been a $\Phi \Psi$ in spirit for several years.

Brothers Moore and Holmes have been supplying the pulpit at Northumberland and sustaining the good impression made by Brother Haslam. Brother Moore now manages the glee club, and, with Brothers Holmes and Blackwood, give $\Phi \Psi$ a good representation.

The ball season opened here to-day. $\Phi \Psi$ is represented on the team by Brother Blackwood, who covers second base, and your scribe, who covers first base and captains the team.

In the graduating class we are represented by Brother Haslam, and we are fully confident that our chapter will be honored by him at commencement.

Commencement at Bucknell will be a great one for Gamma. Brother Gretzinger is working faithfully to make it excel all former ones. Bro. John Owens will deliver the master's oration, Brother Humpstone the address to the graduating class, and Brother Putnam the address at the gymnasium.

All the brothers have read the report of the Grand Arch Council, and are pleased with its efficient work. The question of extension has received considerable attention, and we heartily endorse the plan suggested by Brother Wilson. We have had also some very profitable discussions on the constitution. After a little practice we have High! High! High! "down fine." To hear it would convince any one that Gamma is full of $\Phi \Psi$ spirit.

Lawn tennis is quite the thing at Bucknell. Four new courts have been made and are in constant use. Our chapter to a man is more or less expert in the game.

The prize contest in oratory held in March, was won by Brother Sneck, and Brother Moore, who will represent us at the June 11 exhibition, stands a very good chance for that prize.

We are glad to note that New York is to have an alumni association. This shows that $\Phi \Psi$ is progressive. We hope soon to see a similar association established in Philadelphia.

A soiree to be given by the Institute class of '91 promises to be an enjoyable affair. Bucknell is full of life this term, and promises to become even more lively as commencement approaches.

Brother Chaplain McCabe was in Lewisburg a few days ago, and greeted our boys with true $\Phi \Psi$ spirit.

Hoping that the approach of commencement time may bring some interesting news for our next letter, we will close with a hearty greeting to our sister chapters. May they "Live ever; die never."

JOHN B. CRESSINGER.

Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1890.

SWARTHMORE.

Our boys were well pleased with the results of the Chicago Grand Arch Council, and your scribe, who had the fortune to attend that memorable gathering, considers it one of the great events of his life.

With our care in selecting new members, it is difficult for us to realize the state of affairs in some chapters, which has led to the several recent instances in which members have voluntarily or involuntarily severed their connections with the fraternity. To be sure these cases have been few, but it would seem to us that they have been a few too many. A little more care at first, and more effort afterwards, should prevent such lamentable occurrences.

The strange coincidences which one meets with in fraternity life were well exemplified the other day, when the writer received a letter addressed in the familiar hand of a playmate of childhood. Time and distance had so far removed him that I had never anticipated meeting him again, but what was my surprise to be greeted in the letter as "Dear Brother," and to find that "Jimmy Bale," my loyal companion of ten years ago in lonely Upper Michigan, had become my good brother, James C. Bale, $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$, of Minnesota Beta. Certainly it was an agreeable surprise.

Among the other smaller chapter happenings of the past two months, I might note the fact that at the election for officers of the staff of the *Swarthmore Phoenix*, our college monthly, Brother Sproul was chosen editor-in-chief, and Brother Palmer, exchange editor. *The Halcyon*, '91, the college annual, appeared on the 10th inst., and was well received. Brother Sproul is also editor of *The Halcyon*, and Brothers Martindale and Clark are the business managers.

At the contest for *The Phoenix* prizes for junior oratory, held March 24th, Phi Psi had two speakers out of the five on the programme, and our Bro. A. Mitchell Palmer, by a masterly attempt, won the first prize with his oration, "Ballot Reform." Brother Palmer has an easy, graceful delivery, which is sure to win him favor as an orator.

Brothers Clothier, Sweet and Manning, won three, two and one gold medals, respectively, for the same number of first places taken at the recent spring games of the athletic association, and could I delay this letter to watch the results of the State Inter-Collegiate meeting, on the 17th inst., I should doubtless have more Phi Psi triumphs to chronicle.

How much better it is, even than founding promising new chapters, to see fine old chapters like Pennsylvania Iota revived. Our boys are directly interested in the prosperity of our mother chapter, and rejoice at her rejuvenation. With the present fine material to direct her affairs there can be no doubt of Iota's success.

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, May 14, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

For the past month Iota has been pursuing the even tenor of her way, constantly gaining the strength which comes from devotion to fraternity interests. Her position is unique, being officered by men who have but recently come into the field of Greek letter societies, of course, in the face of certain difficulties, there is not one who does not trust that success may crown individual and united efforts.

The re-establishment of $\Phi K \Psi$ in the University of Pennsylvania has led to many a discussion as to the past and future of Iota. Time was when she stood at the very fore, and it is to be hoped that ere long she will occupy her old place.

Bro. Charles Peacock is now at his home in Reading, where he will remain during the summer.

Iota has already been made famous. Brother Penniman was first honor man in the senior class of the Arts (Classical) Department of the university. But he does not seem to mind a little thing like this, as he has gotten such distinction *eight* times during his college career. Bro. Charles Lee is also "slated" for one of the Wharton School honors in the junior class.

During the latter part of May, Brother Stoddart entertained the Wharton School seniors and other friends, including $\Phi K \Psi$ men, receiving them at his beautiful country home at Rydel, in Montgomery County, near Philadelphia. It was one of *the* affairs in this year's college history.

Dr. Roland P. Falkner, of the Wharton School, welcomed at his Germantown home those members of $\Phi K \Psi$ who are in the Wharton School, the boys making an exceedingly *distingue* appearance as they rode through the shaded suburban roads, at least so they were told, and Philadelphia folks usually tell the truth.

Bro. O. B. Finn, Pennsylvania Γ , (Bucknell University), has been transferred to Iota, and has made many friends in and out of the fraternity.

FRANCIS B. LEE.

Trenton, New Jersey, May 13, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Since our last letter to you nothing of unusual note has occurred. Most of our brethren are busily engaged studying for their final examinations, coming at short intervals until July 1st, and consequently we have little to communicate.

We had quite a number of visitors during April. With the Johns-Hopkins

Glee Club were Brothers Carey and Burrough, and on the Lafayette base ball team $\Phi K \Psi$ was well represented.

Brother Dashiell came with the Lehigh team, and by his pitching and fine playing in general, succeeded in bearing away the palm of victory again, although we were calculating upon regaining our lost standard of last fall, but disappointment is the lot of man.

Brother Greenway, having injured his wrist sliding to third base, was unable to pitch as well as usual, and after a few games was changed to a catcher, filling that position to perfection, and winning the same applause that he was accustomed to receive when he was in the box.

The base ball team leaves on the northern trip on Tuesday next, and will play some of the leading colleges of the North. Brother Greenway will represent $\Phi K \Psi$, Brother Stevens, the scorer, being unable to go along with the team, owing to the pressure of his studies and the approaching examinations.

Another local organization has recently sprung into life at this university. The society has adopted the letters, T. T. U. as the title of their body. Brothers Boyle and Stevens were recently initiated into its mysteries at the annual spring initiation.

Many of our men are applying for their degrees this session, and we hope to be well represented on Final Day when degrees are conferred and diplomas awarded.

THE SHIELD's account of the Grand Arch Council was eagerly read, and the Grand Arch Council in Chicago was undoubtedly a success. Every one after reading the account of the proceedings must have felt more loyal to $\Phi K \Psi$, more ardent in her service than ever before. The yell was heartily approved, and supplied a long felt want. It certainly expresses our sentiments, hope and belief, that $\Phi K \Psi$ "will live ever, die never."

WILLIAM MEADE FLETCHER.

University of Virginia, May 11, 1890.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Since the arrival of the last SHIELD, the Grand Arch Council has been the constant theme of conversation among the Virginia Beta boys. The coming of the fraternity organ was heralded with great joy, and every man ran over its pages enthusiastically. The report of the proceedings of the Grand Arch Council were really thrilling to us at this distance—so thrilling that none but those who were so far away from that great convention, like ourselves, and who were unrepresented there, can understand. And right here we must congratulate the editor of THE SHIELD upon the excellent report of the proceedings, and extend greetings to the fraternity at large upon our fraternity organ, its fine progress in the past, the manner in which it showed up at the Grand Arch Council, the retention of its present editor, and its glowing prospects for the future.

In extending congratulations to our brothers we might mention many things we are proud of as Phi Psis, for the minutes of the Grand Arch Council have

been a revelation to us and awakened more interest than ever in the fraternity at large. The fraternity yell was received here with a shout! Our boys appear to be pleased with it, and all the more so perhaps in order to honor our Brother Stires, one of the originators, from this district. We can not attempt to enumerate the things that the Grand Arch Council has added to our delight, but must express our pleasure and approval in one great lump.

The University of Virginia base ball team played a game with the Virginia Military Institute boys, Saturday, May 3d. On this occasion we enjoyed a visit from Bro. James Stevens, of Virginia Alpha. Brother Stevens is official scorer of the State University team, and after the game was over spent the night at Phi Psi House—Col. W. T. Poague. He is an expert banjo performer, and the night was spent enjoyably, to say the least, and concluded with refreshments.

We have been honored with a very short visit from northern brethren this month also. Bros. C. B. Fager, S. E. and F. P. Whitmer, of Pennsylvania Epsilon, dropped in very unexpectedly to our boys May 9th. They were accompanied by about a score of other Pennsylvania University men, all members of the 1890 graduating class, and many representing other fraternities, who were on an extended southern tour. They reached the Natural Bridge, fourteen miles from Lexington, coming here by old-fashioned stage coach. They approached the city with college yell and college colors. Our Phi Psi brothers were soon being shown about historic Lexington by some of our boys, and though but a few hours were spent here, they apparently enjoyed that time. For our part we were very favorably and pleasingly impressed with our Pennsylvania brothers, and have regretted that we could not entertain them much longer. They brought us good report from their own chapter, and convince us that they are wide awake Phi Psis.

The college year is very near a close, what is in preparation among our chapters, individually to say a proper "good-bye?" Virginia Beta has determined to have some kind of a farewell affair, and though no definite steps have as yet been taken, we hope that matters will ripen into a genuine banquet. Sorry to say it, but eight out of our ten men go away from college for good. It is meet that we should gather around the festal board, and as we have been hitherto, so shall we be until the last, truly fraternal.

Our Brother Stires voiced the sentiment, feeling and hope of all of our Southern chapters when he said in his Grand Arch Council toast that though the South was not so fully represented there as it ought to be, and then proceeded to say that it was not lack of sympathy, or fraternal enthusiasm, or interest in the fraternity everywhere that it was not so represented; but lack of means. The South, it is true, is still poor, especially her colleges and college young men, but by rapid strides she is overcoming this obstacle, and soon the Phi Kappa Psi boys will be enabled to attend every Grand Arch Council though they should be called upon to go so far as the Pacific Coast.

Progress is illustrated in many ways down here. One of the latest in Phi Psi circles was the marriage of Bro. F. D. Coe, an 1888 Washington and Lee University graduate, who is practicing law at the flourishing city of Buena Vista, Virginia. Our best wishes go with our happy brother.

We await the next SHIELD with further news from Grand Arch Council, in promised printed toasts, etc., with much anticipation.

ROBERT L. HARPER.

Lexington, Virginia, May 10, 1890.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The chapter is very well pleased with the work done at Chicago by the Grand Arch Council, and especially pleased with the selection of Judge Rea for President of the fraternity, and the re-election of Prof. C. L. Van Cleve as editor of THE SHIELD, both honored alumni of Ohio Alpha.

Since the last letter was written the chapter has decided to enter a new hall. The rooms which have been secured are much larger and better situated than the ones at present occupied. The building in which they are situated is owned by Professor White, '68, of Harvard, who is refitting them in elegant style. We expect to be in them by commencement. In undertaking to furnish the hall we must depend almost wholly upon our alumni; consequently a large number of letters were sent out asking for aid. I am very sorry to say that owing to the seeming negligence of a greater part of those to whom letters were sent, only about one-fifth have answered. I hope that if any of the aforesaid brothers see this that they will consider it a gentle reminder.

We were very much pleased to receive a short visit from Bro. H. L. Fisher, ex-'90, of Pittsburgh. He is traveling for his father, and with the exception of his fine mustache, is the same old boy as ever.

Athletics have taken a boom this spring such as was never dreamed of. The athletic association which was formed last term has bought suits for the base ball and foot ball teams, leveled the base ball grounds, and next week will commence work on a grand stand. It will be situated on the west end of the base ball grounds, will seat about 500 and will cost about \$250.

Brothers Peters and Johnson, of Ohio Δ, made us a flying visit this afternoon. We were very much pleased to see them, and hope that not only they but others will visit us.

J. B. FORAKER, JR.

Delaware, Ohio, May 14, 1890.

DE PAUW.

Indiana Alpha desires to introduce to the fraternity another initiate, Bro. G. Edward Hill. Brother Hill is a member of the freshman class.

At our chapter meeting of the 3d inst., we were pleased to have with us as visitors, Bros. I. J. Archer, of Chicago; M. G. Phillips, of Warsaw; Frank Hester, '89, and Jackson Boyd, of Greencastle, Indiana. Brothers Archer and Phillips spent several days with us here. We were also recently favored with a flying visit from Brother Helm, of Indiana Beta. Indiana Alpha's latch-string always hangs outside for all Φ Ψ's.

A new fraternity has made its appearance among us. It is called the *Lethe*,

and consists of three chapters, situated at Hanover, Butler and De Pauw. The De Pauw chapter starts out with seven men.

The State Inter-Collegiate base ball championship series opened on the 2nd inst., when Purdue and De Pauw crossed bats. The score was 7 to 6 in favor of De Pauw. On the 10th inst., De Pauw played the Rose Polytechnics at Terre Haute. The score was 18 to 11 in favor of De Pauw. The largeness of the score was due to cold weather. We are represented on the De Pauw team by Brothers Houts and Ruffner. Several of the boys have gone into training for the University Field Day, which is the latter part of this month, and which promises to be quite an event.

Recently a "bogus" on the De Pauw chapter of B Θ Π was published by several members of the other fraternities on account of a somewhat modest and truthful (?) chapter letter which appeared in the last issue of their monthly.

At the last annual election of the Editorial Board of *The Adz*, the college paper, held last month, Bro. Merle Walker was elected President of Board of Directors, Brother Hodell, assistant editor-in-chief, and Brother Beard, chief of local staff.

Some important changes have been made in the course here. The principal ones are about as follows: The college year is to consist of two semesters, instead of three terms; the number of studies required to be carried reduced to three; all grades abolished and a large increase in the amount of elective work.

Indiana Alpha sends greetings and best wishes to all the chapters, and hopes that such Phi Psi enthusiasm and demonstrations as we have had this school year will continue *ad infinitum*.

O. M. STEWART, JR.

Greencastle, Indiana, May 10, 1890.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Owing to sickness of the correspondent, Indiana Beta was not represented in the last monthly meeting of Phi Psis. Every one is pleased with the fraternity in general, and the Grand Arch Council in particular. The new yell has been tried several times, and we think that when we initiate another new man there will be a roof lifted, and the cold chills will run up and down the backs of other fraternity men.

The local chapter has gained much since last we wrote by Bro. Frank Fetter entering college again to graduate with the class of '91. Brother Fetter has been in business in Peru, Indiana, for several years. He took first place in the essay contest on April 25th, and has also been elected by the board of directors as secretary and treasurer of the "Co-operative Book Concern."

On April 20th memorial exercises were held in honor of Richard D. Owen, at one time a professor in this institution. Bro. Malcom Owen, grandson of Dr. Owen, was in attendance.

Bro. Mark Helm, on May 4th, was called home by the sudden death of his father at West Lima, Wisconsin. Brother Helm has the deep sympathy of all his brothers in this his great sorrow.

Commencement is to be held June 11th. We lose four of our brothers in this way, O'Donnell, Groninger, Mosemiller and Moore. We can not say positively as to what Brother O'Donnell will do, Brother Groninger is intending to teach, and Brothers Moore and Mosemiller have been talking some of taking post-graduate courses.

The black-room, that place of unimaginable horrors, turned out two victims somewhat over a week ago. These brothers have been using crutches ever since. More are to follow soon.

April 23d, the freshmen in the fraternity took it unto themselves to have a social and banquet. Speaking as a freshman, the affair was very successful.

Brothers Markle and Coleman, of Indiana Γ , visited us this last week. We enjoyed their visit very much and hope they will come again. The latch-string is always out.

Friday, the 9th inst., the junior class of the institution held a banquet, exclusively for juniors, in the old college. Such affairs go much towards creating one great element in college life, class spirit.

In the two ball games already played by the Indiana University ball team, it has been beaten in one at Terre Haute, and successful in one at this place. The Wabash team played here May 9th, and were beaten to the tune of nine to six. Brother Boland sustained his reputation as a ball player.

A co-operative book association has been formed here similar to those in Eastern colleges. Books and sporting goods are offered at wholesale prices, thus offering a new inducement to students to come to Indiana University.

The catalogue for '89-'90 is out. It shows growth in every department and quite an increase in the number of students. The institution is growing, and is leading the Western colleges to-day in Science.

But ere this letter gets too long we will stop. With kindest regards to all.

LINNÆUS HINES.

Bloomington, Indiana, May 12, 1890.

WABASH COLLEGE.

Again it becomes the pleasant duty of Indiana Gamma to send her monthly quota of news to THE SHIELD. We are happy to state that it carries with it two new names for Phi Kappa Psi. We feel that in introducing them to the fraternity at large we bring two more brothers who will be an honor to it. We speak of Brothers Calloway and Carpenter. Brother Calloway is vice president of his class and also manager of its base ball team, while Brother Carpenter is treasurer of his class. They are both good, sound men, and have of late been rushed a good deal by other fraternities. This now increases our number to thirteen loyal brothers, who hold dear to their hearts the fraternity with which they have so closely associated their college career. Indiana Γ certainly looks forward to bright prospects for next fall.

We neglected to mention in our last letter that the new organization here has developed into a local fraternity under the name of Alpha Theta Phi.

They now have about twelve men, several of whom sport a triangular-shaped pin, gold background with the letters A Θ Φ written diagonally across.

Several representatives of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity were in the city not long since, and it is rumored that they have intentions of organizing a chapter here. We will be better able to speak on this matter at some future time, when our information will be more definite.

There is still a good deal of interest in base ball. We have now won and lost a game, however, we hope in the next few games to make up our loss.

The coming Field Day, which takes place on Friday, the 23d, is causing much interest in athletics among the students. We look forward to a very pleasant day, which we trust will hold some honors for Phi Psi.

The junior annual still continues to thrive and will make its appearance in three or four weeks. It is a good deal larger than last year's and will probably be more complete.

Bro. M. Phillips, Indiana Alpha, recently paid us a very pleasant, though short visit. We were glad also to have a short call from Brother Busford of the same chapter.

JAMES H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, May 12, 1890.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

On April 15th we initiated Bro. William H. Ewing, of the freshman class, and take great pleasure in introducing him to the fraternity at large. He is a member of the life saving crew, president of the freshman class and a royal good Phi Psi.

The commencement exercises of the Medical College occurred April 29th, at Central Music Hall, Chicago. Bro. Frank J. Campbell, '87, covered himself with glory on that occasion, being valedictorian of the class and winner of the Ingal's Prize of \$100 in gold, for the highest standing in Literature, Science and Medicine.

The chapter gave a very pleasant party in the hall on the evening of April 23d to their lady friends. A number of the old boys were present, and a glorious time was had reviving old acquaintances and making new ones. They and the girls were loud in their praises of the hall—newly fitted up.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD the university has passed through a period of deepest sorrow. Our beloved president, Rev. Joseph Cummings, D. D., LL. D., after a brief period of illness, passed from earth, Wednesday, May 7th, at 9 o'clock A. M., and entered upon his long rest. He had not been in his usual health for some time, and his increasing years and consequent weakness were the source of some alarm to his family, but it was not generally known that he was ill, and the announcement of his death was a surprise to his many friends. One week before his demise he decided to discontinue active work in the college, and gave up his classes, continuing, however, as its president. His death was the more of a surprise as he was generally looked upon as a typical specimen of hardy manhood, being over six feet in height and seemingly of

sturdy and robust health. The news reached the professors in charge of the university classes immediately, and all exercises were at once suspended until after the funeral, which occurred Friday, May 9th, at 2:30 P. M., in the First M. E. Church. The exercises were rendered the more imposing by the student community attending in a body, forming a procession two blocks and a half long, which escorted the hearse from the residence to the church. "He was a noble man," said Judge Collins, "great and strong in mind as he was in body, rugged and bold every way." Northwestern University will feel his loss. He loved the college and did much to build it to the proportions it has reached.

STEWART A. MALTMAN.

Evanston, Illinois May 13, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Wisconsin Alpha closes the year in a vigorous and prosperous condition, and hopes that all her sister chapters find themselves in that happy state. Our delegates and visitors returned from the Grand Arch Council in Chicago filled with enthusiasm for Phi Kappa Psi, and unlimited in their gratitude and admiration for the Chicago Alumni Association. Their accounts of the proceedings are varied. Secret conclaves, petitions, Bluebeard, ballet girls, pink and lavender banners, yells, banjo clubs, and banquets are all subjects of animated discussion. By the way, thanks to the enterprise of Brother Flower, that very banner which was the occasion of so many a wild cheer in Chicago now decorates our walls, and recalls to our memories the most successful Grand Arch Council in the history of the fraternity.

Our six representatives in the glee and banjo clubs wish to express their most hearty thanks for the kindness with which they were received by Phi Psi brethren everywhere. Particularly do they wish to extend their thanks to the Ann Arbor boys for the very pleasant evening spent in that city.

Brother Johnson is the only member we have this year who has attained that pinnacle of a base ball player's ambition, a position on the nine.

Bro. W. F. Dockery, as junior orator for Athena, will soon bring us into prominence as a hot bed of budding orators.

Our six-oared shell, presented to us last fall by Bro. Thomas Gill, is being repaired, and soon the first rowing crew of the University of Wisconsin will be put on Lake Mendota under the direction of the fraternity. During this spring at least our crew will be the champions of the lake.

Bro. James A. Cole, Lieutenant U. S. A., who has charge of the University Battalion, will spend the spring and summer in Europe. He is accompanied by Mrs. Cole. Brother Cole will remain at Madison only one year more, two years of his assignment having already elapsed. We are sorry to lose so pleasant and influential a member of the faculty, even though to his credit it may be said that all his acts as commander have been very strictly impartial.

The Sigma Chis are the last fraternity to enter a chapter house. Four

fraternities and one sorority now occupy chapter houses, entered in the following order: Chi Psi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Gamma Phi Beta and Sigma Chi. None of the chapters own their houses, in every case rented buildings being occupied.

F. H. JACKMAN.

Madison, Wisconsin, May 10, 1890.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

University life here at present is but a record of athletic exercises, such as base ball, lawn tennis, and field sports in general, and it is to this record that Iowa Alpha's correspondent calls attention. A glance backward and forward shows that Phi Psi has been and will be an important factor in all such contests, and in base ball particularly. We have five brothers on the university ball team, Ruel and "Jig" Cook, Bonsor, Larrabee and Sweltze, and they are playing winning ball. That Phi Psi should compose a large portion of the team is an honor of which we are not unmindful. Nor is this honor and prestige brought about by schemes or manipulation, but is the inevitable result of circumstances. We had the best players and they were of necessity chosen. In the Field Day exercises that have just taken place, Brothers Bonsor, Larrabee and Sweltze took prominent part, the former securing a silver medal for the longest throw with the base ball.

Our attention, however, has not been confined in this direction, for the pleasing announcement was recently made that Bro. Carl Stutsman had been chosen one of the six commencement speakers, an honor fully merited and well bestowed.

We hear nothing but praise and commendation for the late Grand Arch Council from those brothers who attended as delegates from this chapter. They speak highly of the manner in which they were entertained, of the good times spent, of the fraternal feeling manifested, in short, of the Grand Arch Council *in toto*. That the business was transacted with neatness and dispatch, that the banquet, with its toasts, delicacies and merry banqueters was past description, that this Council fully surpassed all former occasions we are amply assured. All of which betokens the rapid strides toward perfection made by Phi Kappa Psi, the expectation of a brilliant future and a pardonable self-pride. And no chapter can claim more genuine pleasure in the success of the fraternity at large than Iowa Alpha. We hail with delight the joyous state of affairs, and stand ready to do all in our power to further the interests and welfare of grand old Phi Kappa Psi. With one accord we shout:

High! High! High!
 Phi Kappa Psi;
 Live ever—die never,
 Phi Kappa Psi.

CARL A. STUTSMAN.

Iowa City, Iowa, May 12, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Again the time has come for us to tell the Phi Psi world how Minnesota Beta is prospering, and we gladly announce at the outset two additions to our number: Brothers James C. Bale, '93, and George Tunell, '92. Brother Bale is a member of the glee club, and one of the strongest men in the freshman class. Brother Tunell is president of the sophomore class, and is acknowledged one of its best students. They both have strong enthusiasm for Phi Psi, having chosen to enroll themselves under the banner of "lavender and pink" in preference to any other.

At a recent election of the Home Oratorical Association, Brother Tunell was elected vice-president. Brother Purdy, '91, was also elected delegate to the State Convention which meets next March.

Next to the Grand Arch Council, a trip to the Inter-State Oratorical Contest is the best, even if you don't take higher than sixth place; and especially this is true if the contest is held at Lincoln, Nebraska. Kansas may boast of taking first honors, but she could not have been treated better, nor have had a better time than did Minnesota; and since Minnesota's delegation was composed entirely of Φ Ψ s, it may not be out of place to mention it here. Every chapter has doubtless heard all about the contest, but they have not heard all about the University of Nebraska. The situation there is a peculiar one. The feeling there among the barbs. is very intense against the fraternities. There are six frats. there, three ladies', $\K A \Theta$, $\K K \Gamma$, $\Delta \Gamma$, and three boys', $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, ΣX and $B \Theta \Pi$. The chapters are all very small, none of them having more than eleven or twelve members. Being so few in numbers, compared with the anti-frats. (who outnumber them ten to one,) it is very difficult for them to make any showing in college politics. The college paper, *The Hesperian*, is controlled altogether by barbs., nor do the fraternities support it at all. One reason why the fraternities do not have larger chapters is because some very desirable men who are leaders in university matters know very well that the moment they join a fraternity their prestige is gone. Another is that the chapters prefer to remain small as a matter of policy. Nevertheless the fraternities there would be glad if another or two chapters would be established, and their wishes may be granted as the Delta Taus are reported to be about ready to unfurl their flag at that institution. The fraternity men there were exceedingly kind to Brother Baily and myself, showing us every courtesy they possibly could, and begging us to stay longer that they might do more for us. Had we had a chapter of our own at Lincoln, we could not possibly have been better entertained than we were by the Sigma Chis and Phi Delta Thetas. It goes without saying that the ladies' fraternities did their share.

We were much gratified to find there were several Phi Psis in Lincoln. One of the most popular men in the city, C. H. Gere, editor of the *State Journal* and also postmaster, is a Phi Psi. Judge J. B. Cessna, of Hastings, Nebraska, who was in Lincoln attending the Supreme Court, hunted us up at the hotel to give us the grip. Verily, the Phi Psis everywhere are royal men.

It would never do to leave this subject without mention of the reception tendered the orators and delegates by the K A Θs, K K Γs and Δ Γs, at the home of Miss Dena Loomis, a K A Θ. The reception was from three to six on May 2d, the day following the contest. Dusky attendants with white gloves waited on us the curtains were drawn and gas lighted, and the girls were all at their prettiest; and if any failed to have a good time, they have no sympathy from the Minnesota delegation.

One week ago to-night our glee club made its first appearance in the chapel before a good audience. Last Friday night they attended the alumni benefit at Duluth, and gave a concert in the Pilgrim Congregational Church on Saturday night. They now talk of giving a concert in St. Paul and another in Minneapolis before commencement.

There were so many good things in THE SHIELD last month that we shall not try to comment, but we are glad to see them and hope and expect to see them continually appearing, until perhaps even some "picayunish" editors may find aught to commend.

If we mistake not we shall have opportunity to write another letter for THE SHIELD this spring, and since we have listened through the Boston Symphony Orchestra's programme, lengthened by a few "extras," before commencing this letter, we bid all Phi Psis a pleasant "good morning," and seek the mail box.

B. H. TIMBERLAKE.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 12, 1890.



Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA I.

Brothers Walker and Gretzinger, both of '89, are preparing an historical sketch of their *alma mater*, Bucknell University, to be ready by commencement.

H. H. Baldrige, Esq., will deliver the oration before the alumni next commencement.

Rev. J. W. Putnam will deliver the address at the opening of the Tustin Gymnasium.

Rev. J. Humpstone, D. D., has consented to deliver the address to the college graduating class.

Prof. John G. Owens, by virtue of third place in the Class of '87, will return this year to deliver the Master's Oration on commencement day.

During vacation, Mr. Gretzinger, the Registrar, made a trip to Philadelphia and Reading, principally on business in the interest of the institution.—*Mirror*.

Rev. J. E. Sagebeer, '85, who for the past two years has been assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Philadelphia, and who has regularly supplied the Immanuel Mission pulpit, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Flemington, New Jersey. This has also compelled him to resign his position as Professor of Logic and Rhetoric at Temple College, Philadelphia.

J. M. Wolfe, '89, now of the class of '92 of Cornell, spent the last two weeks of March in Lewisburg.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

'56. Mr. Daniel R. Miller was here March 21st, when he was persuaded by his son, Robert, '93, and his chum, Seyfert, '93, to refresh his recollection of student life by sleeping in Pennsylvania Hall. The next

morning he said it was the soundest sleep he had enjoyed for months.—*Pennsylvania College Monthly.*

'65. J. C. Koller, D. D., has an article in the April *Lutheran Quarterly*, in reply to the article of Dr. Richard, '68, in the January number on "The Liturgical Question," in defense of the communion service adopted by the General Synod, General Council and the United Synod of the South.

'65. In the April number of the *Treasury* will be found a portrait of President H. W. McKnight, D. D., LL. D., and his baccalaureate sermon of last June.

'71. Prof. G. D. Stahley, M. D., during the Easter recess, attended the meeting of the Society for the Promotion of Physical Culture in Boston, and, on his return, ordered in Providence, Rhode Island, an ample supply of apparatus for our gymnasium—quite a variety and of the most approved kind.

'77. The following is clipped from the *Herald* of April 1st: Mr. Francis Albert Kurtz, president of the North Baltimore Republican Club, was presented last night with a silver waiter, goblet and tray by the members of the club, through Col. Theodore F. Lang, who made the presentation speech. Mr. Kurtz responded in a neat address. A luncheon was served afterward.

'80. D. Fleisher, Ph. D., will please accept our thanks for an invitation to the recent educational meeting held in Troy, Pennsylvania, and our congratulations on Mr. Conwell's good opinion of his pupils' skill in English composition.—*Pennsylvania College Monthly.*

'82. C. S. Duncan, Esq., has been appointed District Attorney for the Adams County April Court, in place of J. M. Krauth, Esq.—*Pennsylvania College Monthly.*

'82. Rev. H. L. Jacobs has been appointed by his conference as pastor of the Methodist Church in Hughesville, Pa.

'84. Rev. C. A. Brith is still in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania, 358 Main St., having declined the call to Spring Forge, Pennsylvania.

'86. J. Paul Earnest, Esq., has changed his city address in Washington, D. C., to 830 12th street N. W.

PENNSYLVANIA θ.

Rev. W. J. Eckles, '77, has removed from Salisbury, Maryland, to the Presbyterian Church of Bradford, Pennsylvania, at double the salary he received in the former place.

OHIO A.

Judge J. P. Rea, '67, president of the fraternity, is an attorney at law in Minneapolis, Minn.

Rev. W. W. Davies, '72, University of Halle, Germany, '76, is Professor of Modern Languages and Hebrew in Ohio Wesleyan University.

J. W. White, '68, is Professor of Greek at Harvard.

Dr. W. M. Semans, '83, is assistant physician at the Toledo (Ohio) Insane Asylum.

C. W. Dustin, '68, is practicing law at Dayton, Ohio.

Rev. F. G. Mitchell, '67, is presiding elder at Springfield, Ohio.

E. E. Bently, '65, is cashier of the Batavia Bank, La Crosse, Wis.

E. T. Bunyan, '81, is manager of the Sunbury Stone Company, Sunbury, Ohio.

T. R. Smith, '63, is Secretary of the Ohio State Grange, Delaware, Ohio.

C. W. Cole, '66, is attorney at law, Chamber of Commerce Building, Cincinnati, Ohio.

A. E. Dolbear, '65, is a professor in Tuft's College, College Hill, Massachusetts.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Regents of Kansas State University, Charles G. Dunlap, '83, was made full professor of English and Belles-Lettres. The *University Courier* says: "Though young, Professor Dunlap is an exceptional instructor. He is sure to increase the usefulness and raise the standard of his department."

INDIANA I.

Bros. Sam B. Thomas and J. M. Butler, Jr., both of the Class of '87, on May 9th, started on a tour around the world. Indiana I wishes them a most pleasant journey.

ILLINOIS A.

The *Quarterly Bulletin*, of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., gives the following in regard to Bro. W. H. Crawford, '84: "Professor Crawford, after special preparation, entered upon his duties in the

chair of historical theology, January 1st. His coming has added great strength to the work of the seminary. His work in his department is marked by the most progressive methods, thorough preparation and enthusiasm. His public utterances have greatly profited and delighted all those who have heard him, including enthusiastic audiences in the city. His inaugural will be one of the features of commencement week."

Bro. Charles H. Horswell, '84, who has been doing past-graduate work the past year at Yale, will have charge of a course of study at Chautauqua this summer.

Bros. George A. Bass and R. O. Evans are inventors of a mathematical chart for use in schools. They have formed a partnership for its sale under the name of the "Caxton Publishing Company." Bro. I. J. Archer is general agent for the Caxton Publishing Company of Chicago.

KANSAS A.

Hon. E. C. Little, one of the most brilliant young attorneys and among the most entertaining public speakers in Kansas, has removed from Ness City, where he had established one of the best law practices in western Kansas, to Abilene, where he will have a wider field for the display of his splendid talent. He has accepted the attorneyship of the Hardesty-Pelham Loan and Investment Company of that place, at a fine salary, and will also do a general law practice. We are glad to welcome one whom we are certain has so brilliant a future into Northwestern Kansas and the Fifth Congressional District.—*Clay Center Dispatch.*

College and Fraternity Notes.

The Princeton Alumni at Chicago have offered a prize of \$50 to the Chicago man who passes the best entrance examination.

The average age of those who enter college is seventeen. A century ago it was fourteen.—*Ex.*

The city of Helena donated two hundred and fifty acres of land to the Montana University, which is now being built.

$\Phi \Delta \theta$ has an Annual Alumni Day which was recently celebrated in Louisville, Montgomery, Philadelphia, St. Paul, Chicago and Akron.

“Developing our Conservatism,” is the neat and appropriate term Psi Upsilon employs in alluding to the establishment of her new chapters.—*Δ Υ Quarterly.*

The present Law School at the University of Michigan is taxed to its utmost capacity. It is proposed to erect a new building next year to cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

The now celebrated Phi Kappa Psi Waltzes were played at the Arbor Day Exercises of De Pauw University on May 2d by a quintette of Phi Psi boys, and the performance was received with enthusiasm.

It is rumored that a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi will soon appear upon the fraternity field at the University of Georgia.—*University of Georgia Corr. of Rainbow.*

Rumor is “off.”—ED. SHIELD.

The Mt. Union College correspondent of the *Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record* writes that it was Theta Delta Chi, not Alpha Delta Phi that was to enter there.

We don't believe this story either.—ED. SHIELD.

The *University Magazine* is about to publish an article showing the views on the tariff of the members of the senior class in all the principal American colleges. The statistics will be gleaned from the answers to

questions sent by the editors of that paper to seniors throughout the country.

A correspondent in a recent number of *Beta Theta Pi* urges the adoption of a new, or rather supplemental fraternity colors, urging red or blue. Perhaps he is not aware that *X Ø* might object. With a blue and white flag, pale blue and pink colors, and perhaps red and blue, *B Ø II* will be resplendent.

The presidents of Roanoke, Randolph-Macon, Richmond, Hampden-Sidney and Emory and Henry Colleges have memorialized the Virginia Legislature, asking that the work of the University of Virginia and other institutions supported by State bounty, be not brought into competition with the other colleges, but should be confined to technical and professional training strictly.—*Mail and Express*.

The University of Pennsylvania is now building a \$75,000 theatre for the use of the students. In the next century, progressive universities will probably have annexes in which may be found faro banks, a roulette wheel, and a poker parlor fitted with Oriental splendor. A race-track and a cock-pit, with a prize-ring, and a few other necessities of modern education, will be found among the equipment of the most complete colleges.—*Ex*.

There has been considerable activity in fraternity circles at the university during the last few weeks. Some time ago a number of the college boys were very anxious to obtain a chapter of Delta Tau Delta, but their efforts were of no avail, and now we understand that four young men have been pledged for Beta Theta Pi, and that we may expect before long to see a chapter of that fraternity established among us. We extend greeting to the boys and hope that their efforts may prove successful.—*Pacific Pharos*.

The local chapter of Delta Tau Delta has had a somewhat checkered experience since its appearance here two years ago. Until this year the members have been small and the chapter very weak. Last fall, however, four or five freshmen were initiated and all was apparently going well when the other fraternities were surprised to receive notice of the expulsion of one of the charter members, the leading man of the chapter. The general fraternity has since taken the matter in hand and reinstated him, and it is said threatens to expel the others. Further developments are awaited with interest.—*University of Wisconsin Corr. Beta Theta Pi*.

The "revival" of the *Δ K E* chapter at Vanderbilt, by proxy from the old University of Nashville, is another interesting example of a peculiar

method whereby the dignity of the fraternity is curiously preserved in regard to its dead chapters. If for any reason the old chapter itself can not be revived, then some adjacent institution, in the same city, county or state, even though it may not be of high character, is chosen, and the new graft is promptly transplanted thither. This proceeding is then called a "revival," and the fraternity congratulates itself heartily. We suppose the process will steadily continue, until all the old *J K E* chapters in the South, the great fraternity graveyard, have been somehow revived and a clear chapter-roll will then be proudly exhibited.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

At Iowa College there are nine speakers on Commencement Day, all elected by the senior class. At Northwestern University there may be as many as twelve chosen by the faculty for excellence in writing and elocution, though they must be of good standing in the class. Cornell has six, sometimes eight, representatives on the speaker's platform on Commencement Day. They are chosen by competition, all members of the senior class being asked to hand in orations to the faculty committee. The University of Michigan has not had commencement speakers for twelve years. Instead, they have an oration by some distinguished speaker. At Amherst, the eight seniors who have obtained the highest average during the four years' course, are the honor men at commencement, Lehigh chooses the highest six, as also does Swarthmore, the average being taken for the last three years of the course.—*Phoenix*.

In conformity with the report of the judges, the American Protective Tariff League hereby announces the award of prizes to senior college students of 1890 for essays on the subject, "The Application of the American Policy of Protection to American Shipping Engaged in International Commerce." The first prize of \$150 has been awarded to John Ford, Cornell University, New York. The second prize of \$100 has been awarded to Carrie R. Gaston, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. The third prize of \$50 has been awarded to Thomas A. C. Spillane, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine. A silver medal for a meritorious essay has been awarded to W. H. Young, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.—*Ex*.

Miscellany.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *ΔΥ Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with THE SHIELD for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

The same terms as above are hereby offered for SHIELD and *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. THE SHIELD's files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

No. 2 of Vol. I.	Nos. 1, 2 and 4 of Vol. IV.
Nos. 6 and 7 of Vol. III.	April, '87; Nov., '86.
Feb. and March, 1885.	May and June, '82, April, '88.

We have on hand four complete files of Vol. VIII., eight of Vol. IX., which we shall be pleased to send post-paid to any address on receipt of the regular subscription price.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following:

J. B. Lewis, Walworth, N. Y.	C. H. Gardner, Ft. McHenry, Md.
Sam. M. Clarkson, Huntsville, S. Car.	W. H. Comer, Franklin, Pa.
Fred. V. Loos, Holden, Mo.	P. D. Perkins, So. Hannibal, N. Y.
George Gray, E. Springfield, N. Y.	Geo. E. Ellis, Crook, Col.
D. E. Stuart, Corning, Iowa.	J. E. Harris, Springfield, O.
J. A. Lewis, Brooking, Dakota.	B. F. Holmes, Salinas, Cal.
Rev. O. M. Ashbaugh, Edison, O.	

Can any one give the present addresses of any of the following brothers of Pennsylvania Beta:

J. H. Thomas, Plattsburgh, Mo.	F. W. Adams, Cleveland, O.
Ira C. Buzick, Beloit, Kas.	James D. Monroe, Erie, Pa.
Alfred Andrews, Loveland, Cal.	James D. Davis, Warren, Pa.
Wilson Hoag, Memphis, Tenn.	

MAKING MONEY IN VACATION.

About one year ago I procured instructions for plating with Gold, Silver and Nickle, and devoted my summer vacation to plating. In 43 days I cleared \$391.10, a sufficient amount to pay my expenses for the college year. At nearly every house I plated spoons, castors or jewelry, and find it pleasant, instructive and profitable. My brother in 19 days cleared \$162.40. Knowing that there are many desiring an education who have not the necessary means, I trust that my experience will be to such a joyful revelation. By sending 25 cents to The Zanesville Chemical Co., Zanesville, Ohio, you will receive directions for making Gold, Silver and Nickle solutions, with the necessary instructions for using them, and in an hour's practice you will be quite proficient.

NELLIE B. -----

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THE SHIELD OF PHI KAPPA PSI, VERSUS THE THETA DELTA CHI SHIELD.

We have purposed for some time to publish the following excerpt from a recent issue of the *Theta Delta Chi Shield*, and to append a comment or two relative to the matters therein discussed, and avail ourselves of the present opportunity to lay the matter fully before the readers of THE SHIELD:

As there has for some years existed a difference of opinion in regard to the establishment of *The Shield*, we give the following facts, partly historical, and to answer inquiries which are being frequently received concerning back volumes: The convention of 1868 directed the publication of a fraternity periodical to be known as *The Shield*, to be edited and published by the Grand Lodge, composed of P. C. Gilbert, W. C. Strawbridge and Jac. B. Juvenal. The subscription price was \$1.00 per year, and no advertisements were inserted. The first number which appeared in July, 1869, was devoted entirely to fraternity topics. It was supposed that no copies were in existence, but by the merest accident a copy of this number was discovered among the old archives of Bro. Willis S. Paine, in a recent overhauling of his effects, and to him we are indebted for the loan of the valuable document. The first page of this historic *Shield* is reproduced in this number of *The Shield* as perfectly as possible. The yellowness of age and the poor quality of paper prevent a perfect representation. Such as it is, however, it establishes the fact of our priority as regards the issuance of a fraternity publication, and also our clear right and title to the use of our name, *The Shield*. Our friends of Phi Kappa Psi should note this fact, and would be entirely excusable if they should courteously change the name of their journal. Such a procedure would save some confusion. As sufficient subscriptions were not received to justify the continuance of *The Shield*, it was merged into *The College Review*, and published for two years by Bros. P. C. Gilbert and Wm. L. Stone, beginning September 1, 1869, and ending July, 1871.

Edwin A. Start, of Boston, revived *The Shield* and issued it as Vol. I., No. 1, under date January, 1884, although previously in 1869 it had been published by the

authority of the convention. Volumes 1 and 2 were published, each four numbers. No. 4, of Vol. II., being dated January, 1886, and then suspended. No numbers of either volume are now in print, as far as known.

Sept. 11, 1886, Bro. N. A. Shaw published No. 1, of Vol. III., this being the only number of this volume printed and none are in print.

February 1, 1888, F. L. Jones having been appointed editor by the convention of 1887, resumed publication as No. 1, of Vol. IV. Three numbers of this volume were issued by him in New York City, but the question of finances, the great stumbling block on all previous occasions, again came near being the ruin of our journal, when the present publisher assumed the business management of the publication—Brother Jones still editing. At the last convention *The Shield* was donated for a term of five years, “for better or worse,” to its present editor and publisher, and we leave it to speak for itself. It bids fair to have been born again—at least it will not be suspended for a period of years—unless its pages become so rank as to merit and receive the disapproval of Theta Deltas. If life is spared *The Shield* has at least a run of five years, if it receives the support of the fraternity, which it may now justly hope for. Upon the character of this support will depend the future size and interest of *The Shield*. Improvements will be made whenever possible, and continued if they are appreciated and rewarded by substantial support.

We infer from the foregoing that our contemporary “rests his case” and pauses for a reply. Before we attempt any answer, let us briefly restate the matter as it appears to us.

The editor of a journal devoted to the interests of a fraternity which permits it to die four times, and then revives it only by making it practically the personal property of an individual member of the fraternity, modestly asks us to relinquish the title which we have honorably won by a continuous publication of our journal for more than ten years. The grounds of the request are these: In 1869 three members of $\theta \Delta X$ issued one copy of a little pamphlet which was called *The Shield*. Three months later one of these gentlemen, in company with another Theta Delt, engaged in the publication of another paper, which so far as appears in the above statement, had no distinct connection with $\theta \Delta X$, at least none of an official character.

Twelve years and a half pass by and another enthusiastic member of the fraternity, as an individual enterprise, published *The Shield*, getting a fresh start by naming the first issue Vol. I., No. 1, and this journal lived through two years, with eight issues.

In January, 1886, death again overtook the unfortunate struggler, until enthusiast number three appeared with a brief flash of one issue in September, 1886, called Vol. III., No. 1.

In February, 1888, *The Shield* became official, and has since appeared with reasonable regularity three and four times a year, though its moribund condition may be inferred from the peculiar style with which adver-

tisements of corn medicine, Pond's extract, Havana cigars, and what not are sandwiched in between editorials, college and fraternity notes, and among other regular literary matter.

THE SHIELD came into existence in November, 1879, and from its first issue was the accredited mouthpiece of the fraternity, though the financial responsibility of its publication was borne by two brothers, Edgar F. Smith and Otis H. Kendall, both now in the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania.

These brothers published three volumes upon their own account, when the Grand Arch Council relieved them of the burden and placed the publication of our official organ in the hands of Ohio Beta Chapter, which body chose the present editor to conduct the paper, a position he has since filled, except for the two years that our journal was in the hands of Kansas Alpha.

The Theta Delta Chi Shield rests its whole case, as it appears to us, upon the fact that an enthusiastic $\theta \Delta X$ issued a fugitive pamphlet in 1869, so little known that it was only by accident that the present generation have been permitted to gaze upon it. In 1884, a year after THE SHIELD had become *de jure* the organ of $\Phi K \Psi$, and five years after it had begun to exist in that capacity *de facto*, our fellow Greeks of the $\theta \Delta X$ persuasion, raise an outcry that we have unrightfully possessed ourselves of what naturally was their's, and as if to fasten their preposterous claim to priority inserted on the title page of their journal, "FOUNDED IN 1869; RE-ESTABLISHED IN 1884."

Up to the latter date *The Theta Delta Shield* had appeared all told *once!* Our journal had existed five years, and had appeared thirty-six times! We were blissfully unconscious of trespass until late in 1884, when through the kindness of the editor of *The Beta Theta Pi*, who had been our college chum, and who had in some manner got a glimpse of *The Shield* which was raising the outcry at our piracy (?), we were informed that a formal demand would be made for us to haul down our sign.

Nothing daunted, month by month and year by year, THE SHIELD reflected the lustre of its brightness on $\Phi K \Psi$ and such other members of the Greek fold as desired it, for we have never in our history indulged in the superlative folly of attempted *sub-rosa* issue, until the year of our Lord 1888, when again we are startled by the reappearance of the many-lived *Shield*, which in many ways from then till now has tried its hardest to frown us down as an awfully improper person, "don't you know," actually daring to use a title made sacred in the dim past by a little pamphlet whose very existence even $\theta \Delta X$'s only knew by tradition until

1890, when by photographic process they were permitted to gaze upon the venerable document through the medium of *The Shield*.

Come, come, neighbor of *The Shield*, let us hear no more of the miserable pretense of priority in publication.

THE SHIELD of Phi Kappa Psi has a mission, and for these ten years past has been lustily endeavoring to fulfill it, with no recourse for revenue to patent medicine, corn cures, or cigar advertisements in its literary departments. The members of $\Phi K \Psi$ love it, support it and pay the editor handsomely for his services, and would be sadly at a loss if it did not appear ten times each college year. We have no quarrel with $\theta \Delta X$ or her *Shield*; we regret as sincerely as we can that your fraternity has not supported its publications in the past, and feel as a fellow-journalist, heartily ashamed that the earnest efforts you are putting forth meet with no heartier response.

We need not conflict. Our paths are separate. If you are troubled by the confusion (?) you have our permission to call your journal anything you please. Since the tremendous onslaughts which have been made *in re* THE SHIELD, we shall not be surprised to hear you attempt an injunction against our badge, or any paraphernalia of Greekdom in which the semblance of the shape of a shield appears, unless forsooth it antedate 1847. If a like argument *in re* badge were to be instituted against yourselves, how would you defend yourselves?

SONG—PHI KAPPA PSI.

Air—Home Sweet Home.

Oh, Phi Kappa Psi, wherever I roam,
My heart turns to thee, my own true home.
The charm of thy mem'ry my pathway attends,
And fresh faith and courage to me ever lends;
Home, home, my haven of rest,
To me thou art ever the dearest and best.

When weary, discouraged, I long for thy care,
Then this will be ever my heart's earnest prayer,
Oh, Phi Kappa Psi, where e'er I may be,
May my life ever be worthy of thee.
Home, home, my haven of rest,
Oh, Phi Kappa Psi, thou art dearest and best.

When happiest moments to me appear,
'Tis Phi Kappa Psi that ever is near,
Thy mem'ry e'er lightens the dark paths I tread,
And ever to brightness thy child thou hast led.
Home, home, my haven of rest,
To my loyal heart thou art dearest and best.

A. P. F., $\Gamma \Phi B.$

The Areopagus.

CINCINNATI PHI PSIS.

The next thing out from Cincinnati will be the roster of the Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Association. It will contain not only name, address, and mention of members, but also personals, facts, and matters of interest from the fraternity at large.

Province M. Pogue is again in Cincinnati, after a long absence. He will be found in the United Bank Building, Third and Walnut streets.

Cincinnati will be represented at the Springfield banquet on the 17th inst. The Phi Psis of the two cities are in constant correspondence.

George P. Handy and James M. Murray are *prominently* connected with the John Church Co., *not* "formerly" connected with said firm, as appeared in May SHIELD. These gentlemen are in a position to materially and efficiently aid in putting out more Phi Psi music that will "take." A Phi Kappa Psi grand march will be out by the fall term, in fine shape, while the Phi Kappa Psi waltzes will continue tripping through more editions.

Henry V. Bannon, of Portsmouth, Ohio, is giving fraternal response to Cincinnati Phi Psi-ism and will be introduced at the September gathering. His name will appear on our membership rolls hereafter.

During the remainder of the year there will be some interesting events under the auspices of Cincinnati Phi Psis, as well as practical features of moment to the fraternity generally.

George V. Morris, West Seventh street, is the latest Phi Psi in our midst, and is heartily welcomed.

Hon. E. Moderwell, of Chicago, will visit in Cincinnati after the middle of June, and will find a loyal Phi Psi welcome.

F. M. Gregg, D. D., of Chicago, on his Phi Psi trip to Cincinnati circles will be entertained at the home of H. H. Tatem, Hartwell, a well-known railroad official. Mr. Gregg, by special invitation, will officiate at the Hartwell Episcopal Church on Sunday morning, 15th inst.

The June banquet and reception of the Cincinnati Alumni Association occurs at too late a date for an account to appear in this month's SHIELD. The reception and banquet will be held on Saturday night, 14th inst., at the Emery Hotel. The arrangements made will afford an evening of especial interest. Prominent home members will meet visitors of prominence. Some will meet with Phi Psi groups for the first time in years. The address will be by J. W. Simpson, D. D., of Walnut Hills. Responses will be by W. A. Robinson, D. D., of Covington, Dr. W. L. Mussey, city, and other Phi Psis, resident and visiting. Of much interest will be a response from Samuel Benedict, D. D., rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and a prominent alumnus of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. It is probable also that there will be responses from representatives of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity and the Masonic order. The musical programme will afford new features. Prof. A. J. Boex, of St. Xavier, in special piano selection, and two well known lady violinists in their solos and duets, Miss Nannie E. Branham, and Miss Louise M. Schrader, will be heard also.

On Sunday afternoon, 15th inst., under the auspices of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, will be had a Greek fraternity ritual service at the well known large church, St. Paul's Episcopal, Seventh and Plum streets. This interesting service will be led by Samuel Benedict, D. D., (Psi Upsilon), the rector. All the clergy of the diocese will appear in the chancel as assistants. The surpliced choir, the only one in this part of the country, will render fine music. City pastors will be seated together in the body of the church near the chancel. All Greek fraternities having alumni in the city will be represented in the service. One thousand tickets have been issued. The *Commercial Gazette* of June 15th and 16th will have full accounts of the two events.

Cincinnati Phi Psis send greetings to alumni, and the best wishes for a splendid vacation to the undergraduates.

Cincinnati will make a bigger record than ever for THE SHIELD next year.

E. A. D.

June 12, 1890.

Editorial.

WE have received invitations to quite a number of commencements, and desire to thank the brothers, for we presume they were sent by $\phi \psi$ s, for their thoughtfulness. We seldom know whom to thank for these and similar courtesies, for as a rule no word accompanies them which would indicate the person sending.

WE have received the *Cornellian* of '91, which with the *Kaldron* of '90, the *Echo* of '91, the *Ouiatenon* of '91, and the *Halcyon* of '91, constitutes the entire supply of annuals upon our table. We have had word that others would be sent us, but so far they have failed to materialize. We feel chagrined when we read the reviews of the annuals in other fraternity journals, in which nearly if not quite all the chapters have responded to the call for the publication of their colleges, that $\phi \kappa \psi$ is so derelict. Annuals have been published this year in many $\phi \psi$ colleges. We have received from the many, four.

WE wish to commend the practice among the chapters of preserving pictures of the founders. How delightful it will be in the coming years to look upon the fathers of $\phi \kappa \psi$, both of the chapter and of the fraternity as well. We think it an excellent plan to secure the picture of every $\phi \psi$ as he goes from college, and insert it in a chapter album. This plan we know is attempted in nearly if not

quite all the chapters, but we fear from what we have learned in our travels, that the custom is not infrequently more honored in the breach than in the observance.

We have a large portrait gallery of $\phi \psi$ s in our mind which we would display to the readers of THE SHIELD did our means permit. However, we purpose attempting such a plan for Vol. XI., provided we receive additional subscriptions enough to justify the large outlay required.

Continue the custom of collecting $\phi \psi$ pictures, for it is both pleasing and instructive for the rising generations of $\phi \psi$ to look upon the faces of those who are making our beloved fraternity honorable not to say famous.

WE can not sum up the work of this year for THE SHIELD more befittingly than to call attention to the character of the chapter letters, as well as to their regularity and frequency.

We have had less "editing" to do this year than formerly, and know not whether this is due to a general raising of the standard of $\phi \kappa \psi$ or to the following by the chapters of our advice relative to the kind of men who ought to be made chapter correspondents.

We wish in this connection to call the attention of our readers to the clipping from *Beta Theta Pi* in the College and Fraternity Notes. The author of the famous Diogenes Club articles is an old friend of ours, and we have time and again exchanged notes with him on the unfortunate necessity which editors of fraternity journals have resorted to of "doctoring" letters from the chapters. It may well be said that this ought not to be done, but often it is a choice with the editor to rewrite a letter entirely or leave it out. The latter alternative has always seemed to us harsh and inexpedient, and we have rarely exercised our prerogative in that direction.

We feel gratified, therefore, in reviewing the year's work to find that our editorial pencil has seldom done more than insert such typographical marks as were needed to render the meaning clear, or to mark out passages which seemed to us diffuse or irrelevant. On occasions we have been compelled to practically rewrite a well-composed communication because it was too long, and this is at once the most delicate and difficult task which falls to our lot.

It will not be invidious in this editorial resume to say that in the present issue the letter from Pennsylvania Beta is such a gem that we could not draw a blue line through a sentence or a phrase, and it stands just as it came from the pen and heart of Brother Barrett. As a rule chapter letters should not be more than one-half or one-third so extended, but were all letters up to this standard we should feel constrained to double the size of THE SHIELD and print them *in puribus*.

We extend, therefore, our hearty thanks to the faithful brothers whose correspondence has given THE SHIELD in the greatest measure what prestige it has acquired, and urge upon the chapters the desirability of exercising the greatest care for next year in the choice of correspondents to THE SHIELD.

CHAPTER circular letters continue to reach us, and the words of praise heretofore offered on them must be repeated. We feel that an alumnus not moved by them must be nearly if not quite like Mount Zion. Few of them fail to say a strong word for THE SHIELD. We presume that where this omission occurred it was an oversight due to the inexperience of the officer whose duty it is to prepare the letter, and hope that the error may not be repeated.

Do not forget that every supporter added to THE

SHIELD list is a new power for good to $\phi \kappa \psi$. In this place permit us to refer to a fact of business which as a rule we do not permit to occupy a place in this department. Not more than three per cent. of all the names added to THE SHIELD's supporters during the past three years have discontinued, and by far the bulk of those who have ceased to read and subscribe for our journal are those who have permitted themselves to get in arrears and have been owing for the paper for four, five or six years.

No man ought to graduate or go forth from his chapter into the activities of life without becoming a supporter of THE SHIELD. If the ratio of increase of the past three years can be continued and no names be lost, we shall have before two years have gone by a full two thousand subscribers.

We might have them by September next if every man who is deeply interested in $\phi \kappa \psi$ and its organ would secure during the long vacation one new name.

SOME impatience has been expressed at the non-appearance of the catalogue, which has now been five years in the hands of the committee. We are not conversant with all the work of the brothers who have had this herculean task on hands, but wish to remind our readers of a very embarrassing and humiliating fact. Phi Kappa Psi has never had a catalogue which was either complete or accurate, and the labor attendant upon securing such a one has been stupendous.

It is true that we need not wait until the detailed information regarding five thousand Phi Psis is secured before publication, for this would mean the lapse of time and the beginning of eternity, but we can afford to be patient until the committee is ready to send their work forth, being assured that none are so anxious to see the end crown the work as they.

Chapter Letters.

ALLEGHENY.

After two unsuccessful efforts to make ourselves heard at the monthly class meeting of the Phi Psis, we have gathered ourselves together for a desperate attempt to "get there" this time before the benediction is pronounced. As we were reading over the editorials we notice a remark which seemed to indicate that Brother Editor was observing our struggles and kindly offering a word of advice in regard to arriving on time. We have endeavored to profit by this advice and hope that the third trial will prove the charm, and that the voice of Penna. Beta will be heard in the household of faith testifying that "we have found it good to be a Phi Psi." Well, we are still in the good old way, and it occurs to me now, that for one reason it is, perhaps, as well that our last letter failed to appear; for at the time it was written we were politically under a cloud and had about despaired of being able to give our annual shout of victory at the result of *Campus* elections. However, we are all right now; the silver lining has appeared, and we are constrained to say in the midst of our jubilations, "the way of the ungodly shall perish." Doubtless the brothers who have read THE SHIELD and the letters of Penna. Beta for several years have been expecting our—I guess about biennial—confession of faith in the treachery of the Phi Gamma fraternity at Allegheny. We had hoped at one time that the last proof of this fundamental principle of that frat—we beg pardon—concern—would prove sufficient for all time. But, alas, for the frailty of human nature! this was not to be, and once more in spite of the warnings of older brothers and our own experience, we were so supremely foolish as to place confidence in the promises and pledges of Phi Gamma Delta. It was the same old story, and yet for some reason which we cannot now appreciate, we were surprised to find that after *they* had reaped all the benefits of our mutual agreement, and we were about to come in for our share, they should send their representative to assure us of his undying fidelity to the compact, but to say with regret and a characteristic air of helplessness that some of his brothers refuse to give their support. Then, to make us appreciate his position, he appeals to our knowledge of the difficulty of making a fraternity a unit in keeping its agreements. So far as Phi Gamma Delta is concerned we confess that we might have known what to expect, otherwise our experience in that line has been rather limited, from the fact that our fraternity training has taught

us to consider the honor of Phi Kappa Psi as sacred as our own, and we are magnanimous enough to believe that this principle is not confined to our own fraternity. Well, yes; we are mad. That is the only tone which expresses it, for when a man or an organization will wholly disregard promises and honor it is exasperating, to say the least.

The Gammas, confident of electing their ticket, which had been secretly arranged some time before by a trade with another crowd for a senior class position of next year, contented themselves with endeavoring to explain to their own satisfaction their conduct toward us, and to justify themselves in the sight of the public. In the meantime we are on the lookout for an opportunity to give them a practical illustration of Horace Greeley's theory that "honesty is the best policy." It must be confessed, however, that our motive was rather a selfish one, and we looked forward more to the satisfaction to be derived from seeing them "swiped" than with any hope of working a reformation. So confident were they of success, having, as they thought, a safe majority, that it didn't occur to them to look over the constitution of "The Campus Publishing Co.," one clause of which states that "all shares of stock not registered before the second Tuesday in May are ineligible for voting purposes at the annual election." As a result of this oversight on their part, nine of their shares could not be voted, and in spite of their endeavors to suspend the constitution they were compelled to see their majority dwindle down to a minority and our ticket was elected with great enthusiasm. They felt considerably disappointed and in their desperation afterward held another meeting and with due ceremony elected a "bluff" ticket, but they would dispose of themselves at a great sacrifice if opportunity offered. We can afford to be forgiving now that our opponents are overcome and our own success is achieved, but we sincerely hope that after such a rich experience we will cast aside our skepticism and acknowledge our belief in all the cardinal doctrines of Scripture, in the reward of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked, and in the doctrine of total depravity as manifested in the eternal principles of dishonesty and treachery of Phi Gamma Delta.

By the way, we played ball with the Phi Gams, too, and the score stood 13 to 16 in our favor. We found the Phi Psi yell admirably adapted to expressing our sentiments on that occasion, and can cordially recommend it as an indispensable article to every Phi Psi household. We might add, for the benefit of any of our sister chapters who may enter inter-fraternity games, that a group of enthusiastic Phi Psi girls in the vicinity of the diamond is a wonderful source of inspiration to the team, and never fails to call forth the best efforts of which a Phi Psi is capable.

We had a very pleasant time at the chapter house on the evening of April 21st. The crowd was not large but most congenial, and a jolly good time was the result.

The annual Pan-Hellenic banquet was held at the "Commercial" on the evening of May 9th, and of course it was a success. About seventy-five Greeks were present, the *menu* was exceptionally fine, and everything passed

off smoothly. One of the features of the occasion was a large bouquet of beautiful roses sent by the "Hulings Hall Hellenes."

Bro. J. R. Anderson, who has been studying law in Jamestown, N. Y., came back this term to graduate with his class.

Our large and beautiful lawn, shaded by wide-spreading maples, makes our home very pleasant and attractive, and the spring term seems too short and time goes too fast at this the most beautiful season at Allegheny. The tennis court is in constant use, for everybody plays here, and we think we have the finest court in town. We are enabled, by the assistance of our alumni, to make some needed improvements in our parlors, and as soon as they are completed we shall be prouder than ever of our chapter house.

Our thirty-fifth annual symposium will be held at the house, 674 Highland Avenue, Wednesday evening, June 25th, and we hope that any of the brothers who are in our vicinity will not fail to gather with us round the banquet table to talk over their fraternity life, to renew their enthusiasm and to join in the songs and pleasures of an old-time Phi Psi reunion.

We have received several answers to our chapter letter and our symposium invitation, and I am sure if our alumni knew how much good it does us to hear from them, many more would steal a little time from their busy lives to cheer up the boys in the old chapter. We are not a very dismal or cheerless crowd, it is true, but it does thrill us anew with enthusiasm for old Phi Psi to get a hearty letter of remembrance from one of the "old boys," and to know that crowded as he is with the cares of business and profession there still burns in his heart the fire of fraternal love, and he still fondly cherishes the memories of Penna. Beta and of Phi Kappa Psi.

Talking of the symposium and of the "old boys," we are reminded that this will be our last banquet as active members of our chapter, and that soon we, too, will have passed out from under the sheltering wings of Beta, and from the many happy scenes of our fraternity life in college, out into active work to be enrolled as alumni and remembered as "old boys." There are five of us this year: Brothers Hersperger, Anderson, Baldwin, Porter and Barrett, and it seems hardly possible that we are so near the end of our college course, and as we stand upon the threshold a flood of memories comes rushing through our minds—memories of good times and work; of study and jollity; of success and disappointment; of happiness and—yes, here and there a little touch of sorrow—all these that make up those halcyon careless college days. While we sit thinking of the past and the future, there comes before us a picture, a picture of our college life; perhaps it is not an ideal picture, as an artist would say; the lights are too bright, and the shadows are not dark enough; there is too little contrast, but it is the life of a college boy. As we look we seem to see a silent hand moving over the picture, bringing out more strongly the lights and gently softening the shadows, and making the whole so pleasant to look upon that we feel a touch of sadness that it is only a picture of the past, and we wonder at this strange influence which we feel has given such a charm to the picture. It is not imagination that paints this scene before us; that hand which smoothed the rough places, brought out the sunlight, lightened the shadows

and made the whole so delightful to look upon, was the hand of fraternal love. Our lights have been brighter, our dark places have seemed only pleasant shades, and our whole life here has been blended to form the happiest years in our career. That hand alone could produce such an effect upon so varied a life; it alone could soften and blend the whole into such a memory as will linger in our hearts forever as an undying tribute to the word fraternity, and more than all to our own dear Phi Kappa Psi. We are upon our last term, our last commencement week is near, and our last meeting together as a band of brothers in the chapter home; we are writing our last letter to THE SHIELD, and soon we will be no more active Beta boys; and as we think of our pleasant past and our happy present, and wonder if the future will be as kind to us; as we think of the boys that stay and the boys that go, of the honor and love we owe to our chapter and to our fraternity, there swells from our soul that prayer so endeared to the heart of every brother in Phi Kappa Psi, "May peace and harmony ever be with us, and our Grand Ruler in heaven ever guide us."

HARRY M. BARRETT.

Meadville, Pa., June 7, 1889.

BUCKNELL.

Since our last letter we have added another to the ranks of $\Phi \Psi$, Bro. Herbert L. Hallowell, who has shown both in the class-room and on the athletic field, qualities which make him a noble addition to our chapter.

Preparations for commencement are now completed and $\Phi \Psi$ stands nobly to the front.

The best places on the programme have been assigned to $\Phi \Psi$ s.

Brother Putnam, of Philadelphia, delivers the dedicatory address at the new gymnasium. The historical sermon will be preached by Brother Furman, '59. The Alumni Association will be addressed by Brother Baldrige, '84, who was third honor man of his class. Brother Humpstone, '71, of New York, will address the graduating class, and Brother Calder, '87, of Harrisburg, will deliver the master's oration.

Our symposium, to be held at the finest hotel in the city, will be, as usual, *the* affair of Bucknell commencement. Our effort is to make it surpass, if possible, all those of former years.

Among the graduating class of '90 we have but one man, Brother Haslam. On entrance to college Brother Haslam took the two first prizes and has taken every first prize in oratory. Though out of college for two-thirds of his junior year he is one of the honor men of his class.

Brother Gretzinger, '89, and Brother Walker, '89, are editing a history of the institution to come out at commencement time.

We were pleased to see our genial brother, Clayton Bennett, of Denver, Colo., who will remain here until after commencement.

Brother Sagebeer paid us a visit the other day, and led chapel services in the morning. Since then we learn he has been so unfortunate as to lose his father, who died a few days ago.

The new gymnasium and chemical laboratory are rapidly going up, and the various improvements will, no doubt, bring a large freshman class to Bucknell next fall, so that we will have plenty to chose from.

Brothers Moore and Tustin both acquitted themselves admirably in the junior oratorical contest.

We have received letters from several chapters and they make an elegant showing for Φ \K Ψ .

We hope that the wish of Maryland Alpha will soon be realized and alumni associations organized not only in Baltimore but in Philadelphia also.

Let me close by expressing the hope that after a pleasant vacation we may all be enabled to again gather around our altars at the opening of the next college year, and advance still further the honor and fame of our beloved fraternity.

JOHN B. CRESSINGER.

Lewisburg, Pa., June 11, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon has not been represented in THE SHIELD of the last two numbers; not by reason of being derelict, but rather to give space for the proceedings of the Grand Arch Council, and, our letters having been unusually long, we felt sure a respite would be willingly granted.

Our chapter is pleased with the deliberations of the convention at Chicago, and is in full sympathy with the amendments proposed, ratifying each respectively as they came for our consideration. We were specially solicitous with respect to what would be done concerning the extension question. We heartily favor the new method proposed for granting charters, believing it to be sufficiently conservative to enhance the best interests of the fraternity.

Everything is perfectly serene and quiescent in fraternity circles. A Pan-Hellenic banquet was being agitated, but has been abandoned for the present.

Our prospects for next year are exceptionally bright. We expect to lose five men this year, but our knowledge of the incoming class already warrants the compensation of our loss in numbers, filling up our traditional quota, after which we invest ourselves in a cloak of nonchalance; but, of course, never neglecting looking askance after any worthy man that may be afloat.

Brothers Fager, Whitmer, Sr., and Whitmer, Jr., of '90, while on the "Senior Trip" to Luray Cave and the Natural Bridge, paid a visit to the Virginia Beta boys. They express themselves as being recipients of generous treatment, and for which they desire to make grateful acknowledgement.

On the 17th ult., our college base ball team played a game with Dickinson College. Pennsylvania Zeta will kindly accept Epsilon's lowest bow in appreciation of the entertainment and magnificent repast given ten of her boys on this event. Although claiming it to have been "entirely impromptu," they proved themselves marvelously dexterous in manipulating impromptu affairs, particularly in cuisine matters. That Phi Psi esprit prevailed paramount, no one will gainsay, and the writer regrets he could not do full justice to the occasion, but pleads fatigue by reason of the part taken in the game.

Bro. Daniel R. Miller, and his estimable wife, have paid their customary term visit to their son, Brother Robert. Brother Miller never forgets to look after the interest and needs of the chapter, in helpful advice, and especially in a pecuniary manner. As a result of his latest visit, he has ordered some outside improvements to be made to the chapter house.

We were recently visited by Bros. Harry Clabaugh, '77, and J. E. Bittle; '86. Glad to see the elder brothers.

Bro. W. Arch McClean, '82, received the first prize from *Bedford's Magazine* for an article on "Free Trade in the United States." He has our congratulations.

The following brothers are the officers for the ensuing term: Whitmer, Jr., Barshinger, Turner, Miller, Geesey.

With best wishes for the continuance of prosperity to THE SHIELD, and kindest greetings to all sister chapters, I let myself down and out of the office as correspondent, and relinquish the pen to my worthy successor.

M. L. BARSHINGER.

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, June 2, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

At Reisser's restaurant, in Philadelphia, there assembled on the evening of the 6th of June, as convivial an assemblage of $\Phi \Psi$ s as one could wish to see. Graduate brothers of Kappa (alumni chapter) dined with representatives of Iota. The menu was excellent, and the speeches were timely and to the point. Those from Kappa were Brothers Freeman, Bower, McCollin, Kendall, Schelling, Lawrence, Croosdale and Hunter. The Iota men were Brothers Penniman, Stoddart, F. H. Lee, Ogden, C. H. Lee, Neilson and F. B. Lee.

Rarely have $\Phi \Psi$ men been honored with invitations to a more beautiful dinner than that given on the 29th of May by Brother Stoddart. Fifty guests, including not only the brothers of Iota, but the Wharton School seniors and others of his large list of personal friends, filled his beautiful home at Rydal in the Huntington Valley, near Philadelphia.

The dinner was simply perfection, the long table being massed with rare roses and trimmed with the University of Pennsylvania colors, red and blue. The menu was so elaborate that the usual speech making was not considered. After the repast the brilliantly lighted rooms re-echoed with college songs which did not die away until midnight. Altogether it was one of the finest affairs ever given by a university man.

Iota has recently added to her list, initiating Bro. Frederick Neilson. He will make a worthy $\Phi \Psi$ man.

Iota fares well in the distribution of university honors. Brother Penniman, besides acting on nearly all the important class committees, delivered the valedictory, "The Relation of the University to the Community," whilst Brother Ogden had the bachelor's oration, "Republican or Cossack." The highest praises were bestowed upon these efforts by New York and Philadelphia papers. The *Herald*, of New York, had excellent pictures of the two brothers.

Brother Frank H. Lee received prizes in a special examination in the elements of Latin prose, in a special examination in Greek, in English composition, "Sherman's March to the Sea," and honorable mention in an examination in Greek prose with accents.

In the Wharton School, Bros. Gilbert Stoddart, Charles Peacock and Charles R. Lee made particularly handsome records. Bro. Frederick Neilson and Oliver Finn, also, were among those who were successful in work as scholars.

Iota looks forward to next year with a strong determination to obtain every success. Our faculty representation, including Profs. Samuel Sadtler, Edgar Smith, George Koenig, of the Scientific Department, Edmund James, of the Wharton School, and Felix Schelling, of the Arts, is to us a source of great strength. The undergraduates are resolute, and have all the life necessary to fully vitalize the chapter. Next September there are certain changes which will take place, and about which THE SHIELD will give fullest information.

FRANCIS B. LEE.

Trenton, New Jersey, June 8, 1890.

SWARTHMORE.

Kappa completed her year's work in the line of initiations on the third inst., when James B. Verree, of Philadelphia, was inducted through the mysteries of the ritual. Brother Verree is a very important acquisition, and will be heard of in fraternity circles. His initiation increased our number from the fateful thirteen, and quiets the foreboding fears of the more superstitious. The occasion was made the final revel of the year at our cozy quarters at Media, and after the ceremonies a spread was given in the town.

The evening of the fourth was also an occasion of much Phi Psi enjoyment. Brother Clothier entertained the chapter at his home at Wynnewood, and his sister was the hostess of the "We Ten" girls of the college on the same evening. It would be impossible to enumerate the pleasures of the evening.

Our prospects for next year are very good. We lose but three senior members, and will probably have all the other brothers with us at the beginning of next year with but one exception. The freshman class will be large, and with five seniors to impress them next fall, it is probable that we shall secure the desirable fraternity material among the new comers. The college's future appears very bright, and we may safely say that our prospects are those of the institution.

Swarthmore won first place in the Pennsylvania Inter-Collegiate sports on the 17th ult., with the University of Pennsylvania second, Lehigh third, Dickinson fourth and Lafayette fifth. This triumph with several other successes, including the winning of the second prize in the American Protective Tariff League essay offer, and some new bequests to the institution, has resulted in an increase in college spirit which is very gratifying.

Bro. Ralph Lewis, one of our charter members, is ready for congratulations. It's a girl and is the first child of Pennsylvania Kappa chapter.

As fraternity notes, I may make mention of the following:

Brother Temple, '91, and Brother Sproul, '91, were chosen president and

foot-ball manager respectively at the annual election of the Swarthmore College Athletic Association on the 2nd.

Brother Dubbs, of Lancaster, our Archon, visited Swarthmore on the 30th, and his stay was much enjoyed by the local Phi Psis.

Brother Martindale has been chosen business manager of *The Phoenix*, the college monthly.

Class Day and commencement come on the 16th and 17th. Brothers Sweet and Clothier will act as president and presentor on the first of these occasions, and Brother McConnell is honor man on the other.

"With cordial greetings."

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, June 8, 1890.

COLGATE.

We are nearing the end of our third term, and already some of the brothers have left for their vacation work or play. At the coming commencement we shall lose through graduation three brothers, Bro. D. A. MacMurray, Bro. C. N. Squires, and Bro. P. J. Lyons. The chapter wishes every success to these brothers in the coming years.

Brother MacMurray received an appointment on the prize debate, and also an appointment as one of the commencement speakers.

Brother King, '92, received an appointment as one of the Kingsford men in the sophomore class.

We have several brothers who competed for different prizes, but as no results have been announced nothing definite can be said.

On the base ball field Colgate has not been quite as successful as last year. Outside of the league contest we won and lost about an equal number of games. We lost at Cornell but won from Michigan, who had beaten Cornell the day before. In the league race Colgate has won five and lost two. This places her in second place. We have one consolation in our present position, Colgate is the only college in the league that stands anywhere in the race and does not use men who are not straight college men. Colgate can defeat, hands down, any college in this league if only regular, *bona fide* men are played. There is a bare chance for us to win the pennant yet, and we shall make the most of it.

As yet there is no certainty among the students as to who our next president will be. It is altogether likely that one will be chosen and announced during the coming week. There will also be some changes in the faculty if the wishes of the students are consulted in the slightest degree.

When the Hobart ball team visited us we had the pleasure of meeting five of the brothers from N. Y. Δ. A few days later we had an opportunity to return the call. We found that N. Y. Δ is a live and loyal chapter of Φ Κ Ψ.

It is, perhaps, difficult to state now, but apparently we shall have a chapter of from eighteen to twenty members at the opening of the fall term. We have already pledged two men, who will enter the freshman class, so we have no fears for the future.

I suppose by this time West Virginia Alpha is established. N. Y. Epsilon sends greeting to the baby chapter and bids it God speed.

D. F. OSGOOD.

Hamilton, N. Y., June 10, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The session at the university is fast drawing to its close, and it is with great pleasure that Virginia Alpha beholds her flourishing condition. Great interest in all $\Phi \Psi$ matters is manifested by every member, and we congratulate ourselves that we have worked constantly and well for the interests of $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$. Vigorous efforts are being made to secure the erection of a handsome chapter house for the convivial meetings of our active members, and for the warmest welcome to our beloved alumni.

Our prospects for next session are very bright. Six of our number will undoubtedly return, and we are informed that two of our brethren from Virginia Gamma will be transplanted to our chapter, which is gladly awaiting their arrival.

At our last meeting we were visited by several of our alumni, Brothers Wertenbaker, Thornton, Aylett and Denny, and the reminiscences of $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ in former days were eagerly listened to and heartily enjoyed.

Bro. J. W. S. Peters, who was here for five years and who left us for the West in '88, paid us a flying visit last month. He is a M. A. and B. L. of this institution, and is now engaged in practicing law in Kansas City, where we are glad to learn that he is steadily carving a name for himself and attaining success in his profession.

The university base ball team met with bad luck on its northern tour, playing many very close games, and being beaten by one or two runs in all but the University of Pennsylvania game. This is, however, encouraging to us, for many things must be considered, our inexperience before a strange crowd, and the infancy of base ball at this institution. Brother Greenway, however, sustained his reputation as a ball player, and the result would have been far different if we had had more like him on the team. On June 7th we play Princeton at Richmond. It is expected that many of the students will be present on the occasion.

On the 29th, the unveiling of the statue to General Lee occurred in Richmond. Several $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ s from Virginia Alpha visited that city on the occasion, and met some of our brethren from Virginia Beta. Among the alumni of this chapter whom we met on the occasion was Brother Sanders, now engaged in practicing law and in the real estate business at Wytheville, in this state. We were glad to learn that he was doing well and was meeting with much success in his profession.

If we mistake not, this is the last opportunity we shall have to write another letter for *THE SHIELD* this session, and indeed, in this case we can not say that "parting is such sweet sorrow," for when we remember that many of us in a few short weeks, shall be separated, never perhaps to meet again, a tinge of sadness passes over our minds, and is the only thing that mars the pleasure of our gay finals, but still memory shall ever cherish much this golden, everlasting chain which binds us so firmly, and whose links have been so much strengthened by our pleasant intercourse during the present session now drawing to a close. Truly, "all the world's a stage," and as the last acts of the drama which we have been playing during this session draw to their close, before the curtain's

final fall, we can only say in the words of a recent writer, "As the velvet moss will cling to the rock, as the ivy clings to the moldering ruin, as the cypress remains fadeless through all the changes of the year, so in the great future let loving remembrance twine her tendrils about the crumbling altars and passing years of each brother's heart."

Until next October we shall say adieu.

WILLIAM MEADE FLETCHER.

University of Virginia, June 3, 1890.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Although we have little to write this time we want to have something to say in the last SHIELD of the year. There are two things uppermost in the minds of our boys now—examinations and our symposium to be held Saturday evening, June 14th. We expect to have with us Bro. G. W. Finlay, who is to address the alumni of the university here next week, and the alumni of the fraternity residing in the town. Our sisters and our cousins and our aunts will also favor us with their presence. We are anticipating a very pleasant time.

One by one the boys are finishing up examinations, and you can always tell those who are through by the pleasant smile on their faces. Brother Anspach takes his A. B. this year; his class has conferred the honor of valedictorian upon him. Brothers Harper, Winfree and Coman rake B. L. But these are not all who expect to leave us. Brother Miller will teach next winter, and Brother Watson will go elsewhere to pursue the study of medicine, having grown weary of dissecting cats and longing for larger game. This leaves us four men to perpetuate the chapter, Brothers Houston, Davis, Andrews and Turpin.

We look back with pleasure and satisfaction on the last year. Our standing as men who make their presence felt and our class standing has been very satisfactory. We have had our share of the college honors, and more than one will "departing leave behind him impressions on the calico mind." The fellows grow sad at the thought of severing fond relations. Harper is busy cramming up the speech he is going to make to his Jemima when he bids her farewell.

We close the year with perfect peace and harmony among ourselves, and with warmest feelings toward the fraternity at large, and wish each chapter a good crop of healthy fall goats.

We are at present agitating the subject of chapter houses. We are very much in favor of them for various reasons. And while we hardly think it advisable to live in a house of our own here, we desire very much to have a house for our meetings and for the entertainment of our friends. We make every man who leaves promise that when called upon in the future he will contribute to a fund for the building.

REES TURPIN.

Lexington, Va., June 3, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA.

West Virginia Alpha to all her sister chapters sends warmest greetings. Long and earnestly we have sought entrance to the great circle of Phi Psis. A high conception of the men whom we knew as Phi Psis induced in us a desire to become their brothers. This desire was marvelously increased when our subsequent petition effected an acquaintance with our dear and admirable Brother Stires, and with others not so well yet very favorably known. Friday evening, May 23d, witnessed the culmination of our efforts, when Brothers Stires and Buchanan performed the ceremonies which entitle us to the proud title of West Virginia Alpha of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

This beautifully solemn ceremony impressed upon the individual members their great responsibility and duty to themselves and to the grand organization of which they became a part. Though we are the youngest, yet we hope to prove ourselves not the least loyal and devoted of its members. It is truly "High! High! High!" in our estimation and appreciation.

Eleven brothers entered as charter members. Since our petition was presented one of the petitioners, Mr. McCoy, met with a serious accident in the laboratory. This prevented him from being present and entering with us, but we hope to receive him next year.

After the initiation of the chapter a banquet was given in honor of our guest and brother, Archon Stires. Not even the down-pouring rain could dampen the $\Phi \Psi$ enthusiasm which ran high on that occasion. The presence of many ladies added greatly to the pleasure of the evening.

Two excellent men, Brothers Clark, '90, and Smith, '92, whom we, as petitioners, had "on the string," have been received into membership. Our men stand well in the university and the various organizations connected with it. Brothers Clark and Vickers have edited *The Athenaeum*, our semi-monthly college journal, during the present year. Your scribe is one of the editors of the *Daily* to be issued during commencement week.

Brother Duvall is secretary, and Brother Meyer treasurer of the athletic organization, which was conceived and in a great measure successfully organized by our men. This is a recent organization in the university. By next year we hope to have a boat club in addition to the other branches of athletics.

Brother Clark will represent his literary society in the capacity of orator in the annual inter-society contest next Tuesday evening. His handsome appearance and fine oratorical ability make us sanguine of his success.

Commencement on Wednesday, the 11th, closes the present year. Brothers Clark, Reynolds and Vickers will graduate with all the honors usually accorded here.

Our prospects for next year are of the very brightest. Two of the three seniors will return and enter the professional departments. The rest of the members expect to return. Of these, two will be seniors, the remainder sophomores. It is not intended to elect many new members. Possibly one or two may be selected if any very desirable men are in attendance upon the university. The boys all have what we believe to be the true $\Phi \Psi$ spirit, and are

determined to make the "baby chapter" worthy of those to whom, in the past, the reputation of the great $\Phi K \Psi$ fraternity has been entrusted.

Extending fraternal grips to all the chapters, we hope to be all they expect of us. May we never do anything to bring discredit upon old $\Phi K \Psi$.

J. RUSSELL TROTTER.

Morgantown, W. Va., June 7, 1890

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY.

Since our last communication appeared in *THE SHIELD*, we have further augmented our number by initiating Messrs. Agelasto and Griffiss. Both of these gentlemen are good scholars and athletes, and deservedly popular with the faculty and students. Brother Agelasto is the tennis champion of the university, and Brother Griffiss bears the reputation of being the best amateur third baseman in Baltimore. He has done more good work this season for the ball nine than any other man, being a reliable hitter, a good base-runner, and a remarkably quick and brilliant fielder.

The base ball team, which made such a fine showing at the opening of the season, has not met with very good success in its recent games. This must be attributed solely to neglect of practice, for never before has a Johns Hopkins University ball nine been composed of as good individual players. It is to be hoped that future teams here will take warning from the example of their predecessors.

The glee and banjo clubs concluded their year's work with a splendid concert in Lehman's Hall. There was scarcely a vacant seat to be seen when the curtain rose, and each of the thirteen selections was repeated in response to the hearty encores. The affair was a great financial and artistic success.

Our lacrosse team broke its previous good record by losing the first championship game with Lehigh by a score of three goals to two. If we win our coming game with Princeton, our "pennant chances" are even with Lehigh's, but if we lose, our chances are gone.

The final examinations are approaching, and most of the students (excepting the Phi Psis) are beginning to shiver for fear of the result. We regret to say that we shall lose Brothers Haskins and Randall this year, as they take their Ph. D. degrees, and probably will not return here next year.

Our closing exercises take place on June 12th, after which the Phi Psis will scatter. A committee will probably be appointed to attend to the matter of securing a suitable chapter house for the coming year, and to have it ready for occupancy upon the re-opening of college next fall.

We do not definitely know what the summer plans of all of the Maryland Alpha Phi Psis may be, but understand that Brothers Mustard and Mackenzie will go to their Canadian homes; Mitchell and Griffiss will remain at or near Baltimore; Lanier will go to the sea shore; McKay to Scotland; Willoughby to Washington; Haskins to Meadville, Pa.; Randall to Annapolis, Md.; George Garey to the Hudson Highlands, and Burrough to work. Brother Brown will probably do nothing whatever, as heretofore. We all intend to have a good vacation, however, and hope the rest of our brothers will do likewise.

C. R. MCKAY.

Baltimore, Maryland, May 15, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Once more South Carolina Alpha sends greeting through THE SHIELD, and once more it is our unpleasant task to state that examinations are upon us. Our path has been strewn with roses since our last letter, however, and we have nothing to complain of, except the effects of an overdose of good things.

On the 3rd and 4th of May the university indulged in a visit to Charleston. We left here at 5:30 A. M., reaching Charleston at ten, after a very pleasant and orderly ride. While there some of the students took advantage of a sail around the harbor, and others of the picnic gotten up by the Citadel Cadets, while others, who were more conservative, spent their time in walking around the city and viewing the different sights.

Brothers Hayne and Grimké had the pleasure of seeing the sun rise over Fort Sumpter about half-past four o'clock the next morning, as Brother G. was kind enough to run our yacht aground on an oyster reef on the way back from Mt. Pleasant, and as tide was falling, the whole crew had the pleasure of spending the night there. We were certainly indebted to Brother G. for his thoughtful consideration in giving his friends from the country such an excellent opportunity for imbibing salt-air and sea-breeze. On our return trip Brother Legaré came near "shuffling off this mortal coil" from the effects of a mixture of bananas, hard boiled eggs and Swiss cheese, having to be carried home from the depot in a carriage.

The Kappa Sigma Fraternity has established a chapter here. Of course it is pretty hard to establish a chapter of good men where the ranks have been culled by eight other chapters, but taking this and other things into consideration, the Kappa Sigmas have done very well.

The fraternities represented here will give a grand Pan-Hellenic banquet and german Friday evening, June 20th. Brother Grimké is chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the same, and we have every reason to believe that it will be a grand success.

The South Carolina University Law Association will also give a banquet on Thursday, the 19th, and we expect a glorious time at that.

Base ball is on a boom here. We have a city league in which the university is ably represented by a splendid club, and in which $\Phi K \Psi$ is also ably represented by Brothers Shand and Legaré, the former catching, and the latter playing left field for the university first nine. Brother Legaré played on the Columbia team while in Charlotte last week, and came back highly delighted with his trip.

We are greatly grieved to lose Brothers Love and Cathcart, our two able and zealous members of the class of '90.

Brother Shand, the steadiest and best natured youth in the South Carolina University, has withdrawn from college, but we hope to get him back in the fall.

Brother Dudley, our prodigal, has returned to us amid the rejoicing of all.

The college career of the class of '90 promises to close amid a blaze of glory. No less than five banquets and germans await us during commencement week, and the *grand finale*, the commencement ball in the hall of the

House of Representatives, promises as usual, to outdo all its predecessors. Brother McLure, the chairman of the committee, promises to outshine even that prince of ball chairmen, his (and our) own dear brother, "Hal."

The closing scenes of the year are fast gathering around us, and it is hard to believe that the session is so nearly dead. We have had a very prosperous year, maintained our position in the front, and pushed several degrees ahead of our backsliding rivals. An era of good feeling, however, appears to have dawned upon the Greek world here, and in the light of the fraternal sympathy that has led us to unite in a Pan-Hellenic love feast, we forbear to disturb the passing shades of some of our fast decaying rivals, who, while yet in the agony of death, still continue to gasp out their immemorial war cry, "Grab all." "The ——s are dying; let them die." The newer aspirants for favor are gradually supplanting their more superannuated predecessors, who will pass off the stage bye and bye.

We shall open the fall campaign with probably eight men, who will, we hope, be in a situation to do some fine work. Until then, adieu, and with a parting salutation to our southern sister, West Virginia Alpha, whom it gives us especial delight to welcome into the southern fold, we close our tardy message to THE SHIELD.

GEORGE S. LEGARÉ.

Columbia, South Carolina, June 6, 1890.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

We are now approaching the close of the most prosperous year of this university. Under the guidance of our new president there have been enrolled 1,117 students for this college year, while the prospects for next year are still more flattering. Our chapter as well has enjoyed great prosperity. We have sixteen members, three of whom graduate this year. The balance of our boys will all return next September to give Φ K Ψ a boom such as never experienced before.

We have had the good fortune to have short visits from several jolly Phi Psis. Brother Kibler, Ohio Γ '80, of Newark, Ohio, combined business and pleasure in our classic city one day last week. Brothers Peters, Johnson and Cope, of Ohio Δ, and Brother Miles, Ohio Α, formerly of '90, came up from Columbus to see the base ball game between O. S. U. and O. W. U.—score 10-11 in favor of O. W. U. They stayed with us for fraternity meeting, and all made speeches worthy of Phi Psis. Brother Roudebush, '85, paid us a visit June 3d while on his way to Kenton, Ohio, to visit Brothers Henderson and Runkle. Also Brother Van Deman has returned from Miami Medical College, Cincinnati.

On May 24th our chapter held its annual picnic at Magnetic Springs. We were glad to have with us on that occasion Bro. Dana Weeks, Ohio Γ, and Miss Grizelda Davis, Mr. Cockle and Miss Fish, all of Marion.

We have changed the location of our frat. hall from the Welsh building to the Williams block. The rooms we now occupy were the Elks club rooms. The rooms have been redecorated and before another year we will have the finest hall in Delaware.

The new grand stand on the college campus has been completed. It adds much to the appearance of the athletic grounds. The college base ball team played against the mutes of the Columbus asylum, defeating them 11 to 8. Our ball team has won eight out of eleven games so far this spring. On June 16th they play at Granville with Denison University.

There were open air receptions at Monnett Hall on Friday and Saturday evenings, the 6th and 7th. The company was large and time passed very pleasantly both evenings. There has been some talk among fraternity men about the advisability of having the Pan-Hellenic picnic on June 20th, at Greenwood Lake.

Commencement, which takes place June 19th, will be the largest in the history of the O. W. U. The graduating class is composed of 82 members, 48 men and 34 ladies. Of the 48 men 31 are members of fraternities. Of the the ladies 5 are in the classical department, 2 scientific, and 27 literary. This class, besides being the largest to graduate at the O. W. U., is also the first to graduate under our beloved president, Dr. Bashford.

Since our last letter our college annual, the *Bijou*, published by the fraternities, has made its appearance. It is the best ever published, and the editors deserve great credit. Profiting by the experience of the corps of this year a still much finer one will be published next year.

J. B. FORAKER, JR.

Delaware, Ohio, June 9, 1890.

WITTENBERG.

The theme of Ohio Beta's thoughts at present is our annual banquet to be given by us in conjunction with the Springfield Alumni Association on the 17th of the month. The event this year promises to be even a more successful one than that of last June, which, according to Brother Van Cleve, eclipsed everything of the kind in Phi Psi annals.

The list of toasts will be more brief this year, but it will contain such robust and distinguished names as Gen. John P. Rea, our worthy president; Dr. A. H. Willetts, of Dayton; the esteemed head of Wittenberg, Dr. S. A. Ort; J. H. Rabbitts, that unfailing mirth provoker, with possibly ex-Governor Foraker.

Our genial and successful senior, Bro. G. B. Hiller, will represent the chapter on the list. Judge Chas. R. White, the president of the Alumni Association, will, as usual, be a very apt and affable toast-master. The Springfield grand orchestra, under the leadership of Bro. Chas. L. Bauer, will render a very complete and elegant program of music, including the now famous Phi Psi waltzes. To express a great deal in a few words, old Phi Kappa Psi will float serenely in the azure clouds of success and fame, "the feast of reason and the flow of soul," "stalwart forms and fair ladies," and all the other embellishments of such events, will be had in large and pleasing quantities. We would that every Phi Psi might be with us on the occasion.

The freshmen gave a banquet to the juniors and their ladies on the 29th of

May at the Arcade Hotel. The "sophs" and seniors never expect to recover and revive their blasted characters.

The Alpha Taus and Phi Gams are at their old trick of initiating preparatory students again.

Commencement occurs on the 19th, when we will lose our much beloved Brother Hiller, who will take up the study of theology at his home in Hartwick Seminary, N. Y.

We have pledged the brightest member of '94, who also comes of a good Phi Psi family.

Several of the boys have purchased new pins of brilliant hues.

The following were elected officers of Ohio Beta at the June election: H. J. Weaver, W. M. Goddard, J. F. Sieberling, Fred Ehrenfeld, and E. S. Luckenbach SHIELD correspondent.

This issue concludes the writer's term of office with THE SHIELD, the most enjoyable position he ever held. Wishing all Phi Psis a pleasant vacation, the Editor of THE SHIELD and THE SHIELD itself a prosperous career, I step out.

HENRY F. MACCRACKEN.

Springfield, Ohio, June 9, 1890.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Ohio Delta has had some very pleasant times thrown in with college work. We meet, as the chapter always has done, every Saturday night, and that we have very pleasant times is shown by the fact that the brothers all turn out. Besides the regular meetings we have enjoyed some extras.

Friday evening, May 23rd, Brother Peters entertained very pleasantly the brothers and their lady friends, and to-morrow evening Mrs. Kiesewetter has invited us to supper, to celebrate the nineteenth birthday anniversary of Brother Kiesewetter.

June 2nd occurred the ball game (that is for fun) of the season, when Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Gamma Delta crossed bats in a friendly contest. Seven innings were played, resulting in a score of 13 to 14 in favor of—alas, not Phi Kappa Psi. The game was the first of a series of three that will be played before the end of the term, and Ohio Delta will try to redeem herself.

Ohio State University Field Day was held May 17th, at the State Fair Grounds, and was the best in the history of the university. This is a result of the interest awakened by the formation of the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association.

The following week at the State Field Day, held at Wooster, Wooster took first, and Ohio State University second.

In the base ball contest, Ohio State University has defeated Kenyon twice, and Buchtel twice, and been defeated once by Wooster, and once by Dennison.

June 14th, the State Lawn Tennis Tournament will come off at this place, and the prize drill occurs the same day.

May 29th, the "the much talked of and much postponed" contest between

Alcyone and Horton Literary Societies occurred in the college chapel. It resulted in Alcyone winning her second victory for the year over Horton. The other was in the tug-of-war between fifteen men of each on field day.

Commencement occurs the 25th. Ohio Delta loses two, Bros. G. P. Grimsley and R. K. Beach. For class day exercises, Brother Grimsley is class poet, and Brother Beach class orator, so that Ohio Delta is pretty well represented.

We expect to make up our loss by graduation, before we close the year, by initiating two good men from '94.

May 17th, we enjoyed a visit from Bro. J. B. Foraker, Jr., and on the 31st, Brother Brotherton was with us.

Bro. R. M. Hubbard has returned from Johns Hopkins, where he has been for the past year taking a special course in chemistry. He will re-enter the Ohio State University next year to graduate with '91, his old class.

It is with pleasure, and yet with sorrow, that we must lose two of our members, that we close what has been a very successful and pleasant year for Ohio Delta. We wish all Phi Psis a pleasant vacation.

GEORGE H. MOCK.

Columbus, Ohio, June 9, 1890.

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

For the last time this collegiate year the time for writing our SHIELD letter draws near. This term we lose four brothers by graduation: Brothers Cleveland, McDougal, Rudy and Guy Walker. Brother Walker expects to return next year and take a post-graduate work. Brother McDougal will spend the summer at the Marine Biological Laboratory, Wood's Hole, Mass. Brother Rudy has accepted the position of assistant in the department of Histology in the Indiana Medical College, of Indianapolis. Brother Cleveland expects to take a course in law somewhere next year.

At present, as is usual in all colleges during the spring term, athletics are the main attraction. On May 21st occurred the annual field day. A great degree of interest was taken throughout the long program. ΦΚΨ was well represented and succeeded in taking nine first places. The principal attraction for the day was the base ball game between the faculty and the seniors. By previous agreement the game was called at the end of the third inning. The score standing 10 to 10 the game was declared a draw. At the Indiana Inter-Collegiate Field Day, held at Indianapolis, May 31st, we came in for our share of honors, since Brothers Rudy and Zaring took the mile and one-half mile runs respectively. In base ball De Pauw has won three games and lost two, and is tied for first place by the State University and Rose Polytechnic Institute.

The junior annual, the *Mirage*, has at last made its appearance, and according to the juniors is the best one we have had.

Bro. W. C. Talburt, formerly of the class of '76, died at his home in this city, on May 22d, after a protracted illness.

Bro. Chaplain McCabe dropped in on us the other evening and spent a pleasant hour with us. Bro. Salem Town, D. D., class of '66, and one of our

charter members, made us a short visit during the commencement of the school of theology.

Brothers Dale Hutchings, Markle, McFadden and Patton, of Indiana Gamma, accompanied the Wabash base ball team on its recent visit here.

Bro. Junlian Downey, formerly of '91, who has been attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, spent several days here on his way home.

Indiana Alpha welcomes West Virginia Alpha. We feel like congratulating ourselves on our "baby." We are decidedly in favor of extension wherever we find the men and institutions worthy of Phi Kappa Psi. We are just beginning to realize the quality of the work accomplished at the Chicago Grand Arch Council.

O. M. STEWART, JR.

Greencastle, Ind., June 6, 1890.

WABASH COLLEGE.

As commencement takes place on the 18th day of June, this will be Indiana Gamma's last chapter letter for the college year of 1889-'90. It has certainly been a very successful year for her, and we feel that by this time next year, we will have advanced much higher among other college fraternities. It is hardly necessary to sum up our achievements for the year, as they have from time to time been reported in *THE SHIELD*.

We are sorry to have to lose two brothers by graduation, Brothers Markle and Eastman. They have honored Phi Kappa Psi in the past, and we feel will continue to do so in the future. Our best wishes go with them, whose sage counsels we will no doubt miss.

Commencement this year will be a little different from anything we have had heretofore. The graduates have already delivered their orations to the faculty only, and will have none on their graduation. We hear of an interesting programme for their class day.

On Tuesday, the 17th, the corner-stone of the new library building will be laid with appropriate ceremonies. The foundation is about finished, and some time next year the building will be ready for occupation. It will be a great addition to the facilities enjoyed at Wabash, and will hold 150,000 volumes. Wabash certainly has many things to be thankful for, and her outlook is very encouraging.

In base ball De Pauw, Polytechnic Institute, of Terra Haute, and Wabash are tied for first place. In a few days we will be able to tell who will take the honor of State championship.

At State Field Day, Wabash carried off her share of honors, and had all her contestants attended, would undoubtedly have taken first. As it is we are satisfied. Brother Crouse represented $\Phi K \Psi$ well in several of the races. We also noticed that our brothers from other colleges were noted among successful contestants.

In a few days the junior annual will be out in all its glory. As we have said before, $\Phi K \Psi$ is well represented on it.

We hope all the brothers will enjoy a happy vacation, and will come back with extra zeal to advance the interests of our fraternity.

With best wishes for all, we say good-bye till next September.

JAMES H. ARMSTRONG.

Crawfordsville, Indiana, June 7, 1890.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The university is full of life now. The social world is busy attending balls, parties, class reunions, etc. Commencement comes this week, and after it is over a great many will feel relieved at having the burden of studies lifted and at the prospect of enjoying a vacation.

Kappa Kappa Gamma gave a reception Friday night, June 6th, at the residence of Miss Brodix. All the brothers took an active interest in the affair, as there were eighteen of them present. They all speak in the highest terms of the Kappas as entertainers.

The "Skulls" gave their annual reception and ball last week. Things were done on a grand scale, and the affair turned out to be one of the most successful social events of the year.

There was some trouble recently between the fraternity and barbarian elements over the editorship of the *Student* as to the representation and the number of editors each faction is to have, but the matter was amicably settled and hereafter all things will move in harmony.

About May 20th a few seniors, without the sanction of their class, undertook to have a "Senior Serenade," which is an annual affair and generally causes no trouble. About ten o'clock at night the seniors hired a band and a wagon, to serenade the profs. The under-classmen began gathering to stop the performance, when several free-for-all fights ensued, precipitated by the interference of the police. Two students were hurt, but they are rapidly recovering.

Some weeks ago a "bogus" was issued here. It was one of the worst kind, filled with the blackguardism of some vile wretches trying to drag down several persons connected with the institution. The faculty took the matter in hand and convicting evidence has been collected against several young men, all members of one fraternity. They will be expelled from the college and the case put into the hands of the civil authorities.

For the first time, speakers were chosen from the senior class this year in place of the whole class speaking. It is a fact worthy of notice that no fraternity men are to speak; just why no one seems to know.

Two weeks ago the De Pauw ball team played I. U. on the home grounds. De Pauw was defeated. The score stood 6 to 1. Bros. Houtz, Ruffner, Littleton and Stewart came down with the team. Indiana B enjoyed their visit very much and we can only say, come again.

Bro. Tom Long, formerly from this chapter, but more recently from N. Y. A, visited us not long ago. He came over from Columbus to see the De Pauw-I. U. ball game and stayed a day or two.

We hereby acknowledge the receipt of an annual letter from N. Y. A. The letter shows the chapter to be in a fine condition and speaks well for their enthusiasm and their interest in their alumni.

Bro. Dan Fitch, of Albion, Ill., is here attending the reunion of the class of '85.

With a good number of men to start with next year, we expect to have things our own way in "spiking." With enthusiasm for Phi Psi,

LINNAEUS HINES.

Bloomington, Indiana, June 9, 1890.

MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY.

Michigan Alpha is about to complete a very successful year. We lose but one man by graduation, Bro. G. M. Ford, and will come back in the fall with fifteen men for our rushing season. We know of a number of prospective freshmen who are fine fellows, and we feel sure that we will have little or no trouble in getting a good class of '94 for the frat.

Base ball is on the boom here in Ann Arbor, and more interest is being taken in it than ever before. Class nines have been formed which are playing for the championship of the university. Bro. John Van Nortwick pitches for the '93 nine, while Brother Bradley is captain and pitcher for '92. Brother Johnstone is catcher and Brother Marshall plays first base. Brother Malley, who, by the way, is foot ball captain for next year, plays on the senior law nine.

Some time ago, after a careful consideration of the question by the entire chapter, Michigan Alpha was pleased to vote for the West Virginia charter.

One of the greatest events of the college year was the Latin play, the "Menaechini" of Plautus, which was given here on the evening of May 31st, by members of the sophomore class. The play was given in true Roman style as nearly as possible, and was a very creditable performance indeed. The scenery had been especially prepared, and the costumes were correct and in some cases quite elegant.

Bro. Frank C. Smith, as Menaechmus I., made the hit of the evening, and Bro. Wallace B. Rogers, in singing one of Sappho's odes as a serenade in the third act, won high praise for himself. On the evening of June 6th, the play was repeated in Central Music Hall, Chicago, with great success.

During the past week we have had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Grier, of Illinois Alpha, who came down to Ann Arbor as one of the delegates from the Northwestern to assist in forming the Northern Oratorical League, which is to be composed of the University of Wisconsin, Northwestern University, Oberlin, the University of Michigan, and three Eastern colleges, of which Cornell will in all probability be one.

We have a new departure in college journalism here. The independents have started a weekly paper which will appear next fall. Heretofore the independent support has been divided between the two frat. papers, but now that it has been withdrawn, it is more than probable that the two existing papers

will unite, an action which will be of great advantage to general fraternity interests.

As yet we have been deprived the opportunity of expressing through THE SHIELD the pleasure and good that we got from the Grand Arch Council.

Michigan Alpha congratulates Brother Stires upon his success in establishing West Virginia Alpha.

J. R. EFFINGER, JR.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 9, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Our worthy B. G., Bro. Timberlake, has been quite a busy man for the last few weeks. As business manager of the *Junior Annual* he has successfully attended to the financial department of certainly the finest publication that has ever been issued at the university. He is also business manager of the *Ariel*. He has been on three oratorical contests within six weeks, and consequently when he rushed home to-day and said he would leave for Colorado in four hours, and that I must write the letter for THE SHIELD, I was not very much surprised.

To plunge *in res medias*, our commencement is over, and Minnesota Beta has lost six of her active members. Brother Conger took his degree in arts, Brothers Bailey and Lum in science, Brother Woodward in mechanical engineering, and Brothers Dickinson and W. R. Trigg in law. There were altogether 119 graduates, by far the largest number in the history of the institution.

Two new fraternities have come to the university. Fifteen gentlemen have founded a chapter of ΔΥ, and eight ladies a chapter of ΠΒΦ.

We had the great pleasure this month of a visit from our medical brother Julius E. Miner, of Michigan Alpha; he spent the night at the chapter house.

One of the boys had a pleasant recontre with Bro. J. H. Miller, of Ohio Beta, formerly business manager of THE SHIELD.

On June 2d the annual oratorical contest for the Pillsbury prizes took place in the university chapel. Three ΦΨs took the honors, Brother Soares with an oration on "The Turk," Brother Timberlake with an oration on "Individualism and Progress," and Brother Purdy with an oration on "The New Republic." The first two brothers will represent the university in the State contest next spring.

In closing we give an interesting clipping from the letter of the correspondent of our college to the ΔΚΕ *Quarterly*:

"ΔΚΕ is the first great fraternity to enter the University of Minnesota, although the following are represented: ΦΚΨ, ΧΨ, ΔΤΔ, ΒΘΠ, ΣΧ, ΦΓΔ."

We suspect that the gentlemen who wrote that letter has changed his opinion since he left ΦΔΘ. We remember that we used to hear a good deal about a certain *great* fraternity before ΔΚΕ entered the university.

THEO. G. SOARES.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 7, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

For the last time this year Kansas Alpha sends her greetings to the other chapters of Phi Kappa Psi. This has been a quiet and a very pleasant year for us, and a very progressive one as well. In all this year we have initiated seven men, all of whom are strong and valuable members.

In the matter of honors our fraternity has been conspicuous. All of our three seniors were placed on the list of those eligible to write commencement orations. One of them, Brother Mushrush, has received a commencement appointment. It was said by one of the professors that his was the best oration of the four which were selected to represent the class. Brother Mushrush is an able man and a good speaker, having won second place in the Kansas State University oratorical contest this year. He will do himself as much credit on commencement day with "The Philosophy of Epicurus," as he did in the oratorical contest with "John Quincy Adams and the Right of Petition."

The university has been exceedingly prosperous this year, and among one of the new events has been the establishment here of the honorary literary fraternity of Phi Beta Kappa, and the honorary scientific fraternity of Sigma Xi. But few institutions in the West have chapters of these organizations, and their establishment here is but one more good word for Kansas State University. More than this, when the time came for members to be elected from the senior class to the Phi Beta Kappa, Brother Esterly was on the list, and a little later he was again selected as a member of Sigma Xi. It may well be imagined that the Phi Psis are proud of Brother Esterly, and the double honors conferred upon him are well earned.

Brother Wilmoth, who leaves us this year by graduation from the Law School, has an appointment on the commencement programme of his department. He is also president of his class.

During this year we have held the editor-in-chiefship of the *University Kansan*, with Brother Hadley as one of the business managers. By the spring election of the *Review* staff we obtained a business managership and received several other positions on the staff. We have been well represented also in athletics this year. Brother Crawford is one of the ball nine, and Brothers Hadley, Robinson, Peabody and Roberts, endeavor to keep the fraternity's reputation "afloat" on the water. We have a fine rowing course here, and our boys have taken quite an interest in rowing. Quite a number of the Phi Psis will probably take part in the Field Day exercises.

Preparations for our symposium have been going on for some time, and it is expected to be one of the finest affairs of the season. We hope all the alumni of Kansas Alpha who may see this letter will endeavor to be present.

Our annual letter to the alumni has been recently issued, and is a credit to Brother Hadley, our efficient S. G. It is well written and complete, and contains a list of the alumni with their present residence and occupation.

We have added to our chapter property this spring by the purchase of several pictures, and we are now endeavoring to obtain large photographs of the founders of the fraternity. This is something every chapter ought to have.

We have already purchased from Ohio Delta a copy of their large picture of Brother Letterman, and expect also to get a photograph of Judge Moore. These two we will have framed and hung as companion portraits.

We were interested in the printed proceedings of the Grand Arch Council which were sent us, and are heartily glad to welcome West Virginia Alpha into our midst. We believe in adhering strictly to our conservative policy, and in admitting chapters only where they will become a permanent and actual value to the fraternity.

We are becoming anxious about the Grand Catalogue. We understood that we were to have it soon after Christmas, and have paid our assessments on it, but we see no catalogue. Is it never coming out? It may not be our place to make suggestions, but we would much prefer that the catalogue should come out imperfect, and be changed by revisions and additions every few years, than to be obliged to wait until the exact street number of every alumnus is accurately secured.

Looking the ground over we can say that this has been one of the most prosperous and progressive years in the history of our chapter. Our men are as active, energetic and congenial a set of fellows as can be found, and their interest and enthusiasm for old Φ K Ψ is never on the wane. We are strong in every way and prosperous to a high degree. Next year we expect nearly all of the brothers back, and will go on as strong as before. And now, as our university year comes to a close, we finish with pleasant memories of a long and profitable year, and for three months say good-bye, with best wishes to all the chapters, North and South, East and West.

H. F. ROBERTS.

Lawrence, Kansas, June 6, 1890.

UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC.

But a little while ago the present '90's in the U. P. took their seats in the college chapel. By the time this letter is submitted to your attention they will be alumni, ready to launch out upon life's uncertain sea—commencement.

It is notable upon what fleet wings time flies, especially in our college halls. Were it not for these annual occasions, we would scarcely realize that the years are quickly passing, and that in but a few days, comparatively, we will arrive at that commencement day.

There are little speeches due this time of the year, called orations, which are also gentle reminders that time is flying. This year, out of the six who have been chosen by the faculty to remind us of Demosthenes, three are Φ Ψ s, Blake, Wilcox, and von Glahn.

The anniversary exercises, which happen during commencement week, also have representatives in our fraternity.

Brother Castleman is one out of three chosen by the Rhizomiaan Society to orate at their anniversary, and the undersigned one out of three from the Archaean Society.

The management of the *Pharos*, our college paper, passes by the class of '91 by default, and will be edited by the class of '92. Canney, editor-in-chief, and Brother Burrows, business manager, have been elected. Bro. J. B. Tregloan, '92, as literary editor, and Brothers Timm and Castleman, local editors, were also elected.

Our *Naranjado* will soon be ready for distribution, and promises to be a fine publication. This is the last senior class who will publish our annual, as it will hereafter be in its proper place—the junior year.

Our annual Field Day happens on May 16th, for which we are all hard at work.

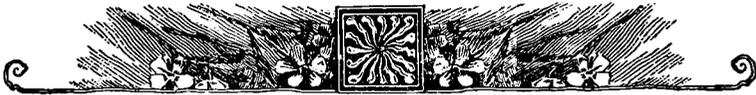
Our new Chapel and Conservatory of Music will be opened on the 23d of May by Professor King, dean of the Music Department.

Our symposium, one of the important events of the closing week, promises as usual to be a marked success.

Probably many of the quiet lodgers in the vicinity of our chapter house think we appreciate our new yell; for many times already has the midnight air been made to resound with the measured, High, high, high, etc.

FRED. G. CANNEY.

College Park, Cal., May 9, 1890.



Personals.

PENNSYLVANIA I.

The Omaha *World-Herald* has a flattering notice of Bro. H. H. Baldridge, '74, in a recent issue. He has recently been appointed by the Attorney-General as United States District Attorney for Nebraska.

'83. Rev. W. I. Coulston has accepted a call from the Brantley Church, Baltimore, and enters on his work there shortly. During his pastorate of eighteen months in Holidaysburg, forty-eight were baptized and sixty-four added to the membership of the church.

PENNSYLVANIA E.

'63. John M. Krauth, Esq., after a protracted illness which confined him to the house since January, died on the morning of May 10th. He was the youngest son of Dr. C. P. Krauth, the first president of the college, and was born March 3, 1846, in the old college building where his parents were then residing. He was a valiant soldier during the war for the Union, and on returning from the service engaged in the practice of law. He held many important positions in his native place, Gettysburg, and at the time of his death was secretary of the Board of Trustees of Pennsylvania College. In all these positions he was faithful and efficient. He was held in the highest esteem in this community, exceptionally popular, and his death called forth expressions of sorrow everywhere. His funeral occurred on the afternoon of the 12th of May, Drs. Hay, McKnight and Demarest conducting the religious services.

'77. Geo. P. Miller, Esq., has been compelled to go abroad on account of impaired health. He will be absent six months or more. Hope he will gain the benefit he is seeking.

'77. J. H. Crist, Esq., is in Santa Fe, New Mexico, practicing law and editing the *Santa Fe Sun*, quite a sprightly paper. He seems to be prospering.

'82. W. Arch. McClean, Esq., has received the first prize from *Belford's Magazine* for an article on "Free Trade in the United States." The prize was \$25.

'82. Rev. H. L. Jacobs continues his paper, *Our Report*, at Hughesville the same as at Greencastle. He has changed places but his work is the same.

SOUTH CAROLINA A.

'57. Hon. James Simons will deliver the annual address before the graduating class on June 25th.

'86. Brother Finley paid us a call the other day while in town to argue a case before the Supreme Court.

'88. Brothers Sims, '88, and Hough, '90, spent several days in Columbia lately. Brother Hough was here to pass his examination before the Supreme Court and was admitted to the bar with flying colors on May 22d.

'89. Brother Barber delivered the annual address on Memorial Day at Chester, and distinguished himself by an oration of more than usual grace and beauty.

'88. Bro. W. R. Cathcart leaves Columbia this week for New York and will sail thence for Germany, where he expects to spend several years in the universities studying chemistry.

'91. Brother Legaré has just returned from a trip with the base ball team to Charlotte, N. C., where he distinguished himself by putting the ball over the fence five times, and winning a medal for the best batting record.

'91. Brother Grimké expects to spend the summer on Lake Quinsigamond, near Worcester, Mass., in the natural history camp located there.

'91. Brother Legaré has been chosen chief marshal of the graduating exercises of the Columbia Female College, June 15th-17th. Brother Legaré is also chief marshal of the Clariosophic Society for the June celebration, and Brother Hayne one of the assistants.

OHIO A.

Isaac Henderson, of Ohio Alpha, is the Presiding Elder of the Lima District, and lives in Kenton.

Hugh L. Runkle, of Ohio Alpha, class of '88, is the cashier of the Kenton National Bank, in Kenton, Ohio.

'88. W. P. Henderson, of Ohio Alpha, is practicing law in Kenton with Judge Strong, under the firm of Strong & Henderson.

OHIO B.

'74. G. P. Raup, Springfield, O., is one of the best posted farmers in Clark County. He is president of the farmers' organization.

'78. Rev. A. M. Barrett is serving a congregation in Shenandoah, Iowa.

'80. Rev. Frank D. Altman has changed from Emporia, Kansas, to Kansas City, Mo.

'80. S. P. Behrends, Springfield, Ohio, is a stockholder in the New Era Company and foreman of the jobbing department of that concern. He is splendidly adapted to the work in which he is engaged. You can trust him for good printing.

'81. S. E. Baker is in the office of Mast, Foos & Co., Springfield, Ohio. He is in charge of an important department of the manufacturing interests of that firm. Scipio is a reliable and thorough business man.

'82. A. H. Kunkle, Esq., Springfield, Ohio, is chairman of the Republican Central Committee of Clark County. He will see that his party makes a lively campaign.

'85. Bruce Chorpensing, Esq., Chattanooga, Tenn., is having a good business. He has the energy to make his future prosperous and happy.

'86. Prof. C. H. Ehrenfeld, professor of chemistry at the York Academy, York, Pa., recently delivered before the Y. M. C. A. a lecture on water. The *Gazette* of that place highly praises the lecture. Prof. Ehrenfeld is coming to the front as a teacher.

OHIO I.

George Palmer, of Illinois Gamma, is the agent of the Union Central Life Insurance Company in Kenton.

OHIO Δ.

Parl C. Robinson, of Ohio Delta, is the assistant chief engineer of the surveying corps on the Toledo, Columbus & Cincinnati R. R., with headquarters at Kenton, Ohio.

Al Moore, of Ohio Delta, is practicing medicine in West Mansfield, Logan County, Ohio.

INDIANA A.

Charles McIntosh and brother, both of whom are DePauw boys, are prospering in business at San Francisco, Cal.

R. E. Kirkman, '88, delivered the Memorial Day address at Jacksonburg, Indiana.

Chas. Spencer, class of '89, is practicing law in Chicago and meeting with success. Chas. McNett, '87, is connected with a prominent law firm on La Salle street in the same city, and W. D. Wilcox, of last year's class, is in the publishing business on Dearborn street.

CALIFORNIA A.

'82. H. E. Cox is vice-principal of the Santa Cruz High School.

'82. R. P. Gober is a successful physician of Los Gatos.

'82. E. L. Lippitt is cultivating the musical talents of the whole of Petaluma.

'84. C. N. Hawkins is one of the solid merchants of Hollister.

'80. J. F. Holmes is rector of the Episcopal Church at Pacific Grove.

'80. P. F. Gosbey, Michigan law, '88, is building up a lucrative legal practice at San Jose.

'88. G. W. Elsey, of Seattle, Wash., recently took to himself a wife and was a loyal Phi Psi in that as in everything else. Mrs. Elsey, *nee* Turner, has two brothers who are loyal alumni of California Alpha.

'88. P. S. Driver has recently been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court. He is living in Sacramento.

'85. J. E. Doak is at present recuperating at his home in Stockton, prior to completing his course at the Boston School of Technology.

'84. J. A. Fairchild, Michigan law, '87, is practicing law at San Jose.

'81. F. B. Mills is farming near Lodi and sometimes teaching in the San Joaquin Valley College.

'87. J. R. Welch is practicing law at San Jose in partnership with J. E. Richards, of Michigan Alpha, one of the founders of California Alpha. Brother Welch delivered the Master's oration at the recent commencement of the university.

College and Fraternity Notes.

Amherst has a society whose object is to do away with cribbing and ponying.—*Ex.*

The charter of the parent chapter of Delta Gamma at Oxford Institute, Oxford, Miss., has been revoked.

Yale will soon have an institution known as Yale Home, where sick students may be given the care and attention which cannot be given them in their rooms.—*Ex.*

The *Scroll* says that "At St. Lawrence University, N. Y., where Beta Theta Pi and Alpha Tau Omega have chapters, the freshman class is composed almost entirely of ladies, there being but four gentlemen in the class." How many plain, ordinary men there are in the class is not stated.—*X Φ Quarterly.*

K K Γ has revoked the charter of her Omicron situated at Simpson College, Iowa. This chapter has existed for about ten years and we can merely conjecture that the status of the institution failed to keep pace with the fraternity's advancement and so representation there became undesirable. The fraternity, however, has made good its loss by placing a chapter in the University of Pennsylvania. This latter is undoubtedly a good move for *K K Γ*, being the first order to organize in the newly established Woman's Department of the university.—*Δ Υ Quarterly.*

Lo! these many years, so many in fact that the "memory of man runneth not to the contrary," a revision of the ritual has been talked of. Committees without number have been appointed to consider the matter, but their reports have been few and the ritual is unaltered. We are not among those who see no efficacy in new things, nor are we among those iconoclasts who would pull down all the work of past generations, but if the ritual is ever to be amended, by all means let it be done at once. Let the committee go to work and having begun the revision let them finish it. Let their report be presented to the Baltimore Convention and adopted, or let the cry of a revision be stopped altogether.—*X Φ Quarterly.*

Joseph B. Foraker, Jr., has composed a yell for $\Phi K \Psi$. It runs a chance of being more successful than the yell which Joseph B. Foraker, Sr., composed for himself.—*\Phi \Gamma \Delta Quarterly*.

[In so far as this item attempts to convey information it is inaccurate, and needlessly so. The gratuitous sneer at the distinguished father and loyal $\Psi \Psi$ is so far beneath the gentlemanly tone which the *Quarterly* usually maintains that we refrain from further characterization of it than the charitable assumption that the editor of our contemporary was suffering from a fit of moral aberration when he penned the above.—EDITOR SHIELD.

Beta Theta Pi has always steadily refused to admit honorary members. But this prohibition—venerable with age and sanctified by its antiquity—has not always been observed. Precept and practice have once and again run counter, and with the usual result. I am telling no tales out of school when I say that it is an open secret that some of our most useful and active members were initiated only under the broadest and most liberal construction of the “under-graduate” clause. So far as the fraternity is concerned, not harm, but good, has come of this.

Other fraternities have made a like discovery. Sigma Chi openly elects honorary members. So, I understand, does Alpha Delta Phi. Whether Psi Upsilon is equally frank I do not know, but it is certain that some of her most distinguished members were received long after their undergraduate days. Witness Professor Goldwin Smith, who, in various reviews and in magazine articles, has done so much to counteract the harsh and mistaken criticisms of Dickens, and to give the people of England and the continent an intelligent and a comprehensive idea of the American fraternity system.—*A. H. Washburn in Beta Theta Pi*.

The most practical suggestion of the permanence and value of our alumni chapters is that proposed by Dr. Scratchley to the New York alumni, namely, to secure a few members who will unite in renting a house to be used not only as a home for themselves, but as a rendezvous for all Sigma Chis in and around New York. This will be the nucleus of a good club, and it is hoped that Dr. Scratchley will meet with hearty coöperation from the alumni. The Grand Tribune has been making some inquiries upon the same line among the Chicago alumni, and believes that before many months some of the Chicago Sigs will be keeping open house to their fraternity friends. Clubs of young men in cities have proven this method of living to be no more expensive and far preferable to boarding. If Sigma Chi can prove this to be a desirable way for her members to live, by a practical test, the development of the “home” into a “club” will be a very simple evolution.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

The southern fraternity journalist is nothing if not coruscating. When we read the brief note below from a journal of a rival fraternity which called forth the bewildering array of rhetoric in the following clipping we are fearful that the broad catholicity advocated in the editorial department of the *Journal* is a trifle inconsistent with the practices of the members of the corps:

"If wantonly, maliciously, premeditatedly, willfully and without reason or cause for such opinion, they gave space to the libel in question, we do not hesitate to say that we hold such action in absolute contempt. We would scorn to decorate our waste basket with a periodical so conducted. We would loathe to wipe our pen upon its pages for fear of contamination. We despise it as we despise the base, the low, the child of the devil, who goes about to dishonor honor, to stain virtue, to besmirch purity by a stroke of its blackened hand." Here is the cause of the deep offense: "The Kappa Alphas here seem to be doing nothing, having *taken in* only one man within two years. Perhaps the barbs. have their eyes open a little wider than they used to—who can tell?"—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

In response to dainty invitations, last Friday evening, there assembled at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Martin, a loyal and enthusiastic band of "Thetas," "Kappas" and their friends. The evening, host and hostesses and all particulars were everything that could be desired to make the event enjoyable. The home of Professor and Mrs. Martin was beautifully decorated with vines, flowers and garlands, and the rooms for the entire evening were filled with the young and joyous throng as the events of the day were talked over. The freshmen, especially, boasting over the prizes which descended to ninety-three. At different times during the evening cards were given out having on them some familiar quotation, only the quotations were divided, one part being on a gentleman's card and the other part on a lady's. The cards being distinguished by bows of pink and lavender, and black and gold, the colors of the two Greek letter societies. One or two little incidents occurred with the quotations that caused no little merriment. One was that of a lady and gentleman who have trod the life together for years, accidentally received cards that matched; and another couple on two occasions received similar cards. Altogether the innovation was unique, pleasing and entertaining. Later in the evening dainty and choice refreshments were served, and here it was that peals of laughter were mingled with the clinking and tinkling of glasses and other ware, bringing good cheer and glad delight. During the latter part of the evening fraternity song followed fraternity song from

Kappa Alpha Theta, then from Phi Psi, and then uniting their voices in some enthusiastic Phi Psi song they made the surroundings ring with enthusiasm. Before adjourning the Phi Psis assembled on the steps of the residence and broke the stillness of the night with the inter-collegiate yell of their fraternity:

High, high, high,
Phi Kappa Psi;
Live ever, die never,
Phi Kappa Psi.

—*Pacific Pharos.*

At a certain meeting of the Diogenes Club, the professor of ancient languages once arose to speak upon the topic of chapter letters. He insisted that the marked improvement in the chapter letters appearing of late years in the fraternity magazines was more the result of editing than of any real difference in the character of the communications themselves. He contended stoutly, and he was a strong man and of violent temper and liable to have his way, that these fraternity magazines had fallen into the hands of a lot of literary fellows who took a pride in the tone of their publications throughout, and instead of publishing their letters in the original, they cut them and moulded them and dressed them up until the authors themselves would not recognize them; and he declared that in his opinion the old letters were much better than the improved form, and censured the editors for thus sapping the originality out of these unique epistles. Further to support his views he reported the collection of a large number of letters from the various fraternity magazines, and read to the club the form given below, as showing what his investigations had convinced him was the style of the average chapter letter before it fell into the hands of the literary editor. This composite ran as follows:

HALL OF THE — CHAPTER OF THE
ALPHA BETA SKETA FRATERNITY.

DEAR BRETHREN—We opened this year with enthusiasm (for enthusiasm may be substituted “true Greek zeal,” or “a small but enthusiastic band of Greeks”). Last year we ran the chapter on the principle quality, not quantity. (No chestnuts in ours, if you please.) Brother Dyke ran a pin in his finger the other day, and it hurts him very much. None of us subscribe for the magazine this year. Brother Dyke is a candidate for president of the Young Men’s Missionary Lyceum. The young ladies of the town entertained the Dry Up fraternity the other night; but we don’t care for that. The Dry Up crowd is a set of epidemics that don’t know enough to come in out of the rain. We stand head and shoulders above them in everything that goes to make the scholar and the gentleman; but we propose to leave that for somebody else to say. The other fraternities, the non-fraternity men, and almost the whole community, are down on us because we are so pop-

ular. Our rivals have succeeded by fair means and foul in getting away with all the honors of the institution; but in our estimation we take the lead, and as long as this opinion prevails among us, we don't care who takes the honors. The 22d of this month (February) is Washington's birthday, which we will celebrate in an appropriate manner. None of our members are elected to positions on the program, owing to a combination of the Dry Ups against us. The Dry Ups are our only rivals; but we are not afraid of them in the least. Brother Dyke will graduate this year. He is president of our chapter. Our whole chapter is very popular with the faculty. None of us expect to attend the convention this year; but we want it understood that we oppose any action against weak chapters. We also favor initiating preps. Brother Dyke and I are the only members of the chapter at present. I am a senior prep. With greetings to all brother Greeks. In the bonds of hope, faith and charity.

Truly yours,

IMPERATOR.

P. S.—Bother Dyke looks splendid in his new pants.

IMP.

The remarks of the professor of ancient languages are not to be taken too seriously. While now, in his maturing years, he is for the most part as gentle as a south wind softly blowing, all members of the Diogenes Club will bear witness that there was a time, not so long ago, when he was apt to champion extreme views and to enforce them in a way that tended to discourage overt opposition.—*Beta Theta Pi.*



Miscellany.

We have arranged a clubbing plan by which *Δ Υ Quarterly* may be had by any chapter or individual subscriber with *THE SHIELD* for \$2.00. The *Quarterly* is easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published, and well-informed Phi Psis would profit much by its perusal.

The same terms as above are hereby offered for *SHIELD* and *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Inquiries have recently been made concerning the following back numbers. *THE SHIELD*'s files are not able to supply the desired numbers. Can any one assist these brothers in completing their files?

No. 2 of Vol. I.	Nos. 1, 2 and 4 of Vol. IV.
Nos. 6 and 7 of Vol. III.	April, '87; Nov., '86.
Feb. and March, 1885.	May and June, '82, April, '88.

We have on hand four complete files of Vol. VIII., eight of Vol. IX., which we shall be pleased to send post-paid to any address on receipt of the regular subscription price.

We still have some names of brothers whose addresses have become lost. Can any brother supply us with the present address of any of the following:

J. B. Lewis, Walworth, N. Y.	C. H. Gardner, Ft. McHenry, Md.
Sam. M. Clarkson, Huntsville, S. Car.	W. H. Comer, Franklin, Pa.
Fred. V. Loos, Holden, Mo.	P. D. Perkins, So. Hannibal, N. Y.
George Gray, E. Springfield, N. Y.	Geo. E. Ellis, Crook, Col.
D. E. Stuart, Corning, Iowa.	J. E. Harris, Springfield, O.
J. A. Lewis, Brooking, Dakota.	B. F. Holmes, Salinas, Cal.
Rev. O. M. Ashbaugh, Edison, O.	

Can any one give the present addresses of any of the following brothers of Pennsylvania Beta:

J. H. Thomas, Plattsburgh, Mo.	F. W. Adams, Cleveland, O.
Ira C. Buzick, Beloit, Kas.	James D. Monroe, Erie, Pa.
Alfred Andrews, Loveland, Cal.	James D. Davis, Warren, Pa.
Wilson Hoag, Memphis, Tenn.	

MAKING MONEY IN VACATION.

About one year ago I procured instructions for plating with Gold, Silver and Nickle, and devoted my summer vacation to plating. In 43 days I cleared \$391.10, a sufficient amount to pay my expenses for the college year. At nearly every house I plated spoons, castors or jewelry, and find it pleasant, instructive and profitable. My brother in 19 days cleared \$162.40. Knowing that there are many desiring an education who have not the necessary means, I trust that my experience will be to such a joyful revelation. By sending 25 cents to The Zanesville Chemical Co., Zanesville, Ohio, you will receive directions for making Gold, Silver and Nickle solutions, with the necessary instructions for using them, and in an hour's practice you will be quite proficient.

NELLIE B. ———

