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THE MAID OF AUGSBURG.

A ROMANCE.

BY J. HARRY GEISSINGER, OF TAU.

(Concluded.)

V.

But rarely near a throne's high state,
Does love such constant joys create
As swelled the hearts of these, the heir
Of royal honor, and, most fair,
The Maid of Ausburg, Welser's pride.
Alone for Phillipine, hid
Beyond the royal gazing, did
The prince live on from day to day;
While she her sovereign sought t' obey,
Nor cared for all the world beside.

Within the walls of Prague, where high
Rose towers towards Bohemia's sky,
They dwelt in safety; Ferdinand
Controlling with a steady hand
The province in his father's name.
Two lovely children came to greet
Their loneliness in time; replete
With blessings seemed their happy home
Above the murmur'ing Moldau's foam,
And free their lives from royal blame.

Years came and passed in rapid flight,
Yet beamed their tested love as bright
As in the blissful days gone by;
And Phillipine's single sigh
Was for the grace of Austria's lord.
Full oft from out her eager eye
Fell tears, as from a sunny sky
Fall rain-drops to the earth beneath;
Her only longing to bequeath
The name of Welser unabhorréd.

VI.

Then came the Kaiser, Ferdinand,
Into Bohemia's loyal land,
His court to hold; to Prague's old town,
Historic in its wide renown,
Were all its subjects summoned free.
He heard with gracious ear the prayer
Of poverty; and with air
Of pity proud, his royal voice
Made many saddened hearts rejoice
Of those who bent the suppliant knee.

Among the seekers for the grace
Of Ferdinand, came one whose face
Was filled with beauty; Heaven's blue
Reflected in her eyes, and dew
Seemed pearled upon her lips below.
Astonished looked the throng that pressed
Before Bohemia's king, in quest
Of favor; to their startled view
She seemed the Virgin Saint, who drew
With trembling heart before a foe.

The monarch saw her hesitate
Before his gilded chair of state,
And met her; then, in strong appeal,
She led the royal judge to feel
Her sorrow seeking its redress.
She well conceals her name, her place,
No movement of her saintly face
Betrays the secret of her soul,
As she the saddened life-lived scroll
Unrolls in all its bitterness.

He hears with patience all her plea
Poured forth in grief from bended knee.
And, touched by the resistless might
Of prayer, and beauty beaming bright
From out her face, he bids her rise.
"Be bold to speak the rank and fame
Of him who would such cruel blame
Cast on your life; would fail to own
Your kinship, who with stately frown
Would hurl you from his sympathies.

"His pride shall give you welcome; yes,
Your secret union he shall bless,
If Austria's ruler holds his sway
In this fair country; yet this day
He shall acknowledge you his own."
Then down again before his feet,
The pleader fell, afraid to meet
The Kaiser's gaze: "Have mercy, pray!
Thy son as husband I obey;
O grant me pardon from thy throne!"

Low bends the sovereign warmed to tears,
Above the nature he reveres
For depth of nobleness and love;
He speaks, and his emotions prove
A conquered heart beneath his crown.
"I join my grace to Heaven's smile,
Fair Phillipine, and thy guide
Is gone with my unjust disdain;
Do thou, my daughter, e'er remain
Who hast endured so brave my frown."

VII.

To Innsbruck, hemmed about by hills,
The pair removed; no longer ill
From royal kindred fearing; no,
Now highest honors gladly glow
For Phillipine and her race.
The archduke shares her silent joy,
And all his subjects true employ
Their minds to serve the lady fair,
Who by her earnest, soulful prayer
Has gained the lofty monarch's grace.

Here in the Tyrol's town of state,
Where songs Italian captivate,
Where steady German vigor dwells,
Where Alpine snow and streamlet swells
The gushing Inn, they pass their days.
Here art and wisdom bring their stores,
Here lavish Nature ever pours
Her beauty bold before the eyes
Of men; and sunny summer skies
With sheen the whited summits glaze.

Released from fear with those she loved,
 The beauteous victor happy moved
 Amid these splendors, yet remained
 The same pure being, disenchained,
 To Ferdinand, the great, the strong.
 A shield she proved, where rumors rife
 Announced throughout the realm dread strife:
 In moderation curbing zeal,
 In grace advancing far the weal
 Of Austria's state if pressed by wrong.

Though near the throne she ne'er forgot
 The teachings of her lower lot;
 But kindly proffered friendship's hand
 To all, nor sought to give command
 Emburdening those she governed wise.
 The sad, beseeching, gained their plea,
 And many stalwart men set free
 From unjust prison, voiced a prayer
 To Heaven, for protecting care
 O'er this, their angel in disguise.

Where Ambra's turrets, reared on high,
 Limn massive shadows 'gainst the sky,
 She laid, as patroness, the ground
 For choice collections, since renowned,
 Of art and rarities from far.
 Here was afforded quiet rest
 From life's gay whirl; while those in quest
 Of knowledge were induced to rise
 By just-bestowed rewards, in prize
 For skill and workings singular.

Still tower up thy mountains high,
 O Tyrol, in the deep blue sky;
 Still gush thy streamlets 'neath the shade
 Of ringing rocks, till, undismayed,
 They pour their torrents towards the sea;
 Still too shall Phillippine live
 Upon the lips of those who give
 To worth its homage; still her praise
 Shall sound in Austria, till the days
 Of Time become the long To Be.

VIII.

Hear ye there the bells, sad tolling,
 With their low, death-dealing call?
 Ah! great hearts are bowed, condoling
 Phillippine's funeral.

Soft and mild, with angel features,
 Rests she in her narrow bed;
 Loveliest of all God's creatures,
 Numbered now among the dead.

Soft and mild as was her living,
 Sank she to her peaceful rest;
 To the loved fond glances giving,
 As life fled from out her breast.

Opel ye heavens, wide your portals,
 While this heroine of Earth,
 Virtue-crowned, is mourned by mortals,
 In her high celestial birth.

MARRIAGES.

MARRIED—October 7th, 1878, at the residence of Mrs. McDougal, Indianapolis, by the Rev. Willard H. Hinckley, Mrs. Carrie F. Lack, of Cincinnati, to James P. L. Weems, of Vincennes, Ind.

DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY.

BY JAS. S. EATON.

IX PAPER.—CHAPTERS.

Without any formal introduction, the work commenced last year of publishing a History of the Fraternity in *THE CRESCENT*, will be continued as before.

On either October 30th or November 9th, 1872, Chapter Mu was established at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind., by J. N. Study, of Anderson, Ind., whose name you will find under Alpha, Delaware, O., as superintendent of public schools. To this chapter was composed and dedicated our much beloved and highly praised, "DELTA TAU DELTA GRAND MARCH," by Frank Rush Webb, at Wabash College. This chapter certainly did not continue long as an active chapter, judging from its membership. In my researches, a letter dated Columbia, Mo., Jan. 5th, 1872, was found, which might be of interest here. This letter was written by B. B. Ferguson, to W. C. Buchanan, who was then at Bethany. It, like many others, contained some flattering remarks in regard to the fraternity, from which allow me to make one quotation: "The fact of the growing prosperity of the D. T. D. is of course one to make the heart of every brother, who has enjoyed membership with us, rejoice." He also stated that he received the necessary papers and articles sent him to organize a chapter at the State University, of the above place, and gives notice of the initiation of some young men, which shows that such a work was really undertaken. The name of this chapter was found to be Zeta, which I assume correct, as it is entirely consistent with other records referred to when speaking of Zeta as a chapter at Monmouth, Ill. This letter closes with very suggestive thoughts of a firm determination on the part of the writer to make the chapter prosper, and bright prospects were entertained as to its future. But whether it ever rose to any prominence I am not able to say, though I am inclined to think that it did not. At least, I have never heard from it in any particular, nor has it a place in the catalogue of 1874, which might be expected if still in existence. Chapter Upsilon, as noticed in 1871 at Champaign, Ill., was again organized Jan. 5th, 1872, at Illinois Industrial University, Urbana, Ill., by R. H. Cole, of Peru, Ind., where it still remains and preserves its name in the catalogue. What its condition is, I do not know. A few weeks later, Feb. 7th, 1872, Chapter Phi was established at Hanover College, Hanover, Ind., by E. G. Henry, of New Albany, Ind., and a member of Chapter Mu, at Bloomington, Ind. This Chapter Phi is now one of the leading chapters of the West. In January, 1875, in consequence of the opposition with which Kappa, at Hillsdale, Mich., had to contend, the duty intrusted to it was transferred to Phi. Since then it has held its

position with honor, and is most likely to remain a worthy chapter of our good old Delta Tau. It was formerly, according to old statistics, a Grand chapter of the Sigma Alpha Theta Fraternity, but for some reason (not to be made known) it abandoned that organization and enlisted under the banner of the honored "Royal Purple," under which it has done faithful work, as indicated by the rank it holds. In corroboration of what has already been said, we have from J. P. L. Weems, a member of the same chapter, the following: "On May 2d, 1870, a charter was granted to David H. Stapp and others, at Hanover College, Ind., for the establishment of a chapter known as Epsilon of the Sigma Alpha Theta Fraternity." Although this new chapter soon increased and numbered some of the best students in the college, yet in less than eighteen months we find the chapter, which had increased considerably, dissatisfied, and looking forth for a favorable opportunity to change their chapter; indeed one or more had already severed the silken cord that bound them in brotherly love, and had taken up their abode with other Greeks. * * * * * The fraternity with which they had connected themselves was a very feeble affair; containing only one chapter beside their own. * * * * * Edward G. Henry, a former graduate at Hanover, who was then attending the Law School at the Indiana State University, and was a late member of Chapter Mu, of the D. T. D. Fraternity, offered to come down and initiate Bro. Stapp and his associates into the mysteries of D. T. D. Fraternity. The proposition was accepted; Bro. Henry came; and on the night of the 7th of Feb. 1872, initiated Geo. W. Barr $\frac{1}{2}$ * * * * * and David H. Stapp into the mysteries of our brotherhood. Thus was the founding of Chapter Phi. * * * * * During this month (April) the chapter also initiated Mr. H. S. — as a student of Moore's Hill College, for the purpose of organizing a chapter at that college, but Alpha would not grant a charter and the matter ended. * * * * * The chapter has a nice, well-furnished hall, where weekly meetings are held each Thursday night. * * * * * Although there are four other fraternities in Hanover College, and recently there has been organized a chapter of the Anti-Greeks in Hanover College, yet Chapter Phi has held her own, both in the college and in the literary societies; and to-day is second to none in college."

[To be continued.]

OUR NEXT CONVENTION.

In looking over our old constitution before it was revised by the Cleveland Convention, we saw that it contained an article compelling every chapter to have a delegate at convention; and, although it would be impossible to enforce such a rule at present, the nearer we can come to it the better it will be for the Fraternity. At the last convention, although the most successful of

the twenty, there were some chapters that were not represented even by proxy, nor handed in any report at all. Such a proceeding not only shows a very slack interest in the Fraternity, but also a culpable disrespect for the constitution.

We do not wish to include chapter Rho among the delinquents, as it was a misunderstanding between her and her delegate that could not be helped; but there are six or seven other chapters to whom this will exactly apply, and they certainly owe the Fraternity an excuse through the columns of the CRESCENT. It certainly would not be too much to ask of every chapter to be represented, at least by proxy; and when this is absolutely necessary, as few chapters as possible should be represented by the same man, as it places too much power in his hands; but if possible (as it generally is) by some visitor or alumnus, so as to increase the number of delegates. Let us all put our best foot forward. Let those chapters where the expenses will fall heavily commence raising the funds *now*, and we will make the next convention one that will open the eyes of the Greek world with wonderment.

"CHIP."

HISTORY OF CHAPTER LAMBDA.

BY D. W. MCNEAL.

Dear Brothers of Lambda:

Being very kindly asked to furnish you a history of our chapter as once read by me in the society, I shall willingly comply. I have thought it best to re-write the history, making it more concise and readable. You will understand, my brothers, that perhaps some slight errors may have crept into our history on account of the tragic oral narrations of scenes and incidents of the early causes which led to the establishing of a Delta Tau Delta Fraternity at Lombard. But thanks to my brother, the Hon. James O'Donnell, Mayor of Cherokee, Ia., the most important facts and details of our history are now before me in manuscript, and from that I will draw all facts for the first three years of our organization. Like unto all other secret orders, the *germ* and the *life* of embryo Delta Tau were *opposition*. Like the history of other chapters there existed a society in Lombard, arbitrary and uncharitable, as is usually the case, their object, judging from the membership, being to devise the best means of obtaining the unalloyed joys peculiar to an association of students; and in order to do this, the wealthier class of students, the genuine "good fellow" variety, composed the league. Lombard was then enjoying her palmiest days. Hundreds were enrolled then, and the frivolous and reckless spirit of many of them may be one of the causes of the many gray hairs which now adorn the heads of some of your Faculty. The Phi Sigma League has had an existence nearly coeval with that of the University, never meeting with opposition in the selection of members until the fall of 1866. There

were that term in Lombard a few noble and chivalrous young men who had left the farm in quest of the precious jewel—education—to ornament more highly the many good qualities of the heart already possessed. They were soon made to feel the insignificant, but to their inexperienced and boyish hearts, painful and scornful power of the league, for it had power, and was not slow in exercising it in many discourteous and small ways, presented in a thousand different shapes. The desire of aiding each other in the resistance to this power drew together more frequently those opposed. So much for the causes.

One evening, after the Osceola Base Ball Club had partaken of a supper, as brothers Woods, Abe Brown, Sam Barney, Mad. Harris and O'Donnell were going home, their attention was called to the light, used by the league in meeting, at the Erosophian Hall. Inasmuch as they were members of the Erosophian, they resolved to know by what right they used the room. They learned the rap, gave it and entered. Some discussion arose and the boys were ordered to leave, which being refused, the league adjourned to other quarters. Afterwards, the same evening, they (the opposition) met at the room of Otis Jones, where it was resolved that they should meet one week thence. At the appointed time they met, thirteen in number, and took an oath never to join the Phi Sigma League, and to do all they could honorably against it. Two of the thirteen, Knowles and Jones, afterwards joined the Phi Sigma. For some months they worked as best they could, but there being no organized effort the interest flagged, and the idea of opposition became nearly extinct. The feeling still existing, it was determined to organize a society for the mutual improvement of those whom purse-pride looked down upon. This purpose was executed in the afternoon of the 9th day of February, A. D. 1867, in the north-east corner, up stairs, in the house owned by Mrs. Hough, one door south of Prof. Livingston's. Four students, E. K. Walbridge, W. H. Woods, J. L. McCormick and James O'Donnell met and drew up a constitution, initiatory ceremony, etc., and named the society the DELTA THETA. Bro. O'Donnell administered the oath to Woods, and he to the rest. On the same evening and at the same place they initiated Bros. A. M. Brown, S. S. Barney, J. E. Wiley, M. R. Harris, William Carson, E. C. Johnson and A. Hutsinpillar. Bro. Woods was chosen the presiding officer, and Bro. O'Donnell, Secretary. During the remainder of the year they initiated Bros. Pat. Talent, Samuel Kerr, I. C. Stockton, F. B. Thayer, J. S. Price, E. N. Jones and Leslie Greenwood. In the fall term they added G. W. Blake, G. W. Green, T. N. Boggess, E. W. Trask. In the winter term, Bros. Kerr, M. R.,—C. Downing, jr., and Geo. W. Smith were added. In the winter of 1868 they celebrated their anniversary with a grand old supper of oysters, and, judging from my own experience, a jollier, happier set of

boys I presume it would be hard to imagine. Bro. O'Donnell bore off the honors of the evening as the champion oyster eater. The spring term following, Bro. O'Donnell was M. R., and the names of Bros. M. I. Brower, C. R. Knight, E. B. Usher, Frank Goodenow, A. J. Graham and H. L. Karr were added to their list. In the June following was held the first Annual Reunion, and Banquet, a custom which I am happy to say, you have never failed to keep up. At this time two of the founders, O'Donnell and Walbridge, graduated, in whose honor a public reception was given at the University, to bid farewell to those so instrumental in bearing along the society. The farewell address was delivered by Bro. O'Donnell, and responded to on behalf of the society by Bro. Abe Brown. These speeches were eloquent ones, coming from the heart of friendship and brotherly love which has ever been manifest in the Delta boys. It was my pleasure to be present at this reception, and I was much impressed by the feeling so manifest. This society adopted a badge, in some respects similar to our badge. It was an eagle, poised above a crescent, and its position signified their motto, "Upward and onward."

It soon became evident that the society, existing so alone, would never be a decided success, and the members entertaining this idea, resolved to unite themselves with a stronger body—one extending to all colleges. So they wrote to a number of fraternities, among them the Delta Tau Delta. Bro. Columbus Downing was at this time in college, and at Delaware, Ohio, had been a member of that fraternity. He was active in urging the merits of the Delta Tau Delta upon the members, which fraternity, after investigation, the society determined to join and take out a charter.

So in the fall of 1869 a charter was granted and Chapter Xi established at Lombard University. I am not positive as to the time of the year the chapter was organized, but if any of those who were fortunate enough to be among the charter members know, their communications to the CRESCENT on the point would be received gladly by all. I have tried to be thus explicit as regards the history of the Delta Theta because it is our history. When the Delta Theta was merged into the Delta Tau Delta its existence was assured, and from that time forward it has been the most popular in the college, as well as supported by the best moral and intellectual talent of the college. Afterwards the chapter was changed from Xi to Lambda, its present name. I became a member in 1872, and have, I trust, contributed my little towards the fraternity.

In the spring of 1873, our chapter, by the General Convention, was made the Grand Chapter of the Fourth Division, comprising Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin and Missouri. On June 17th, 1874, at our annual reunion, was assembled the largest number of old members ever before entertained by the chapter. Our loved Bro. Wooley at that time delivered, on behalf of the

chapter, the farewell address to our graduating brother E. B. Brunson. I believe now that all that is of avail of public historic interest is told. But it is with feeling I would lastly allude to our loved and honored dead. The grim messenger of death has twice entered our circle, and from it taken two of our brothers of whom we were so proud. J. D. Stephenson died in 1873, a man of the highest talent, honor and integrity. Those members who were guided by his wisdom and judgment as their presiding officer, can better appreciate and know what the world lost in him.

Of more recent date, our own fellow student and classmate, Robert D. Wooley, in 1877. His merits no one needs to extol; they were too well known. I, for three years, recited with him in college, and in that time I saw the deep-seated earnestness and thoroughness of his life. He, whom I last saw in health, now lies beneath the sod, with already the snows of winter upon his grave. To me he was a dear brother, as he was with all who met with him, and an affectionate tear of brotherly love falls when the sad remembrance of Robert, dead, comes to me. Oh, brothers, learn from his cheerful, blameless life, that you may rejoice in that brother's companionship in that eternal kingdom of brotherly love! Oh, this brotherly student-love speaks for the Delta Tau Delta. God bless our fraternity.

Fraternally,

D. W. McNEAL.

POSTSCRIPT.—Two more names, besides those mentioned in this excellent communication of Bro. McNeal's, must be added to Lambda's death-roll—F. B. Thayer, and Wm. R. Maleham. Of the former we know nothing more than that he was one of the good band long before the college days of the writer of this postscript had come. Bro. Maleham we knew to be a young man of many admirable characteristics and fine qualities. He had been a member but two terms, when, while home on vacation at the close of the winter term, he was stricken down by the hand of death. Oh, that we had once more among us those brothers that slumber in that "sleep that knows no wakening."

—*Lambda's Chapter Editor.*

OUR NEW CATALOGUE.

This being the year for publishing catalogues, Alpha has appointed a committee for that purpose, with instructions to have them ready for distribution by the first of next April.

It is the ambition of Alpha, and certainly the desire of every member of the fraternity, to have this issue such as will compare favorably with that of any other fraternity in the land; and, if we succeed in representing ourselves in our true condition, we know it shall be one on which we may look with pride as representing the extent and membership of our beloved order.

There is one thing, which in the minds of some,

seems to be a necessity, and we think all will admit that it would add greatly to the appearance of our catalogue, and that is, that each chapter procure a coat-of-arms, appropriate to it, and from this have a cut made which can be printed as a heading to the list of the chapter. This, we think, would be very appropriate as a heading to the chapter record; and besides it is something every chapter ought to have, as it is frequently necessary to have printing done which would make a much better appearance by being headed by such a design.

Now, that we may have them ready by the time designated, and that they may be a success in every particular, we request it of the chapters that they be prompt in procuring and forwarding any information the committee may ask of them, and that they be sure they have the list of membership complete before they let the matter rest. We think all will see the necessity of prompt action when they consider the fact that the information concerning the chapters is one of the first things needful, and that the greater part of our work must be done after that of the chapters is complete. The wisdom in having the lists all complete must also be apparent in that it will be impossible without this for us to represent the fraternity as it really is. We would therefore say again, let every inquiry from the committee receive a prompt and definite answer.

THE LATE OPPOSITION TO FRATERNITIES AT FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COL- LEGE.

BY J. S. HARTZELL.

It is well known that for years College Fraters suffered odious opposition from the Faculty of this college. A pledge of no mean dimensions was thrust before every student that sought entrance to the college classes, by which he solemnly promised not to connect himself with any college fraternity, and not to attend any meetings of any of these institutions while in college. This is the substance of the pledge, as near as I can remember, after five years have worn off its charms. With the introduction of the pledge, and perhaps a little prior to it, arose an Anti-Secret Society, which had a miserable existence of a few months, and then died and was buried. As I pass by this remarkable event in history, let me remark that through its regular secret meetings and constitutional acts and pledge of membership, it itself proved to be a fraternity. During its short and unhappy career it did the cause of college fraternities more good than it ever could have done harm.

It is my purpose to review a short lecture, notes of which I had taken, on College Secret Societies, delivered before the students by one of America's greatest and best men—a man known, more so in Europe than

in America, for his great theological and philosophical learning, the author of a system of philosophy and metaphysics acknowledged by the profoundest heads in Europe as the best ever invented, but a man, fallible like as we are, and who, like as we, is prone to err on questions and subjects he knows nothing about. I will sum up for discussion in the fewest words, the conclusions which our honored late President arrived at:

1. *The college fraternities are regarded a sore evil to an institution of learning.* This has appeared only to a few individuals, and these same few misguided persons are the only ones that so "regard" them. I have nothing to say in answer. Fraternities bear their own recommendation and their own defence, and a just examination of this question will show to every candid mind whether this is a fact or a delusion. I recommend an article in volume 1, page 20, of *THE CRESCENT*, called "The Advantages of Greek Societies in Colleges" for perusal on this point, the facts of which, with many additions, I endorse as truth.

2. *They are foreign and outside institutions.* That is true. We want them such. It is the great prerogative of a college fraternity to be a separate institution; to have a life, a character, a body, soul and spirit peculiarly and distinctively its own, and accountable only to itself, and to its own honor. They are foreign only in the sense that they are outside, and they are outside only in the sense that they are not within the jurisdiction of any Faculty or Board of Trustees, or of any body of men beyond the line of their own membership. In every other sense they are not "foreign and outside." They form a legitimate, a highly honorable, a necessary factor of college life, and if there were no such fraternities there would be societies of some other kind. Where is the harm in this?

3. *They feed upon the destruction of the Literary Societies.* A few fraternities may sometimes use improper means to an end; a few may clique to carry a measure or to elect a ticket; but strike out fraternities and the memory of them from off the face of the earth; would that put an end to cliquing? Would not others that have a favorite measure at heart, or a ticket in view, rise up and use their powers and means—bulldoze the weak, perhaps, into the support of *their* scheme? Cliquing, of whatever kind and for whatever end, is a part of fallen human nature—the common inheritance of all men, and will be used as long as the devil is "lord of the mansion." Why, then, charge college fraternities with something (which but a few may be guilty of at times,) which all bodies of men, and all men indulge in for the furtherance of their own ends. I know of a literary society at a certain little college where fraternities are not known, and where the members fought among themselves and pitched the constitution out of the window, and the President out of the door. Pray, was that the fault of college secret societies? Would they have fought more disgracefully had fraternity

men been among the number? I know that at least the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity would, and does, not only refrain from, but despise such conduct, and holds aloof from all dishonorable combinations wherewith to gain any pet end. I know that as *she* has no interest in literary societies, other than that of their own men are concerned, as members of literary societies, she aims not at their destruction. But on the other hand, as a disinterested party, the fraternity as a whole is on terms of peace with the life of literary societies. Why, then, charge fraternities with this universal fault? Why hurl the bull of excommunication against *all* fraternities, because some follow the example of men that are in league with the devil, and some (men) are not strong enough to resist the temptations of their own nature? By experience and observation I know that it is not always that fraternities are arrayed against the non-fraternity men, or that fraternity offers battle against fraternity in the camp of the literary societies. But even fraternities are divided and arrayed against themselves, and non-fraternity men against non-fraternity men. Where is the harm in this?

4. *Serious moral loss and demoralization of the student.* I must feel that some fraternities have this tendency. I have seen them under the control of the most corrupting influences. But, mark! The Delta Tau Delta Fraternity—and I have no doubt the same may be said to some degree, of a few other college fraternities—in her own way, teaches the highest, purest code of Christian ethics. She condemns such conduct wherever found, and teaches honor and duty. She builds temples to virtue, and dungeons to vice. She inflicts no moral loss, tends to no demoralization. Her ends are noble, and the means wherewith she strives to gain those ends are honorable. She disdains to be classed among such as violate this principle, and flings back with pride and indignation any charge of demoralizing tendency. Where is the harm in this?

5. *Waste of money.* Let me ask the question: Would the fraternity man not spend that sum (small as it is, and therefore so much the sooner) for other purposes were he a non-fraternity man? Why then accuse fraternities of something they have no hand in—of a crime that is no crime? But, it might be said, they would use it for more useful purposes. After examining the non-fraternity men that passed my eye for the last five or six years, I come to the necessary conclusion that the scales do not fall that way; that if money must be spent for purposes that are *not useful*, it is done as much by non-fraternity as by fraternity men; as much for useful purposes by the one as by the other. But, look you! Every other consideration, every argument, for and against, being waived—can money be spent for purposes more useful, more honorable, more noble than for the support of a fraternity that teaches such truths and exercises such influences for good as I have truthfully represented in the paragraph going before? Let this charge be modified according to facts, or dropped. Where is the harm in this?

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EDITORIALS.

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FOLLOW Lambda's example and send in your chapter histories.

WE urgently request all correspondents to write their communications on foolscap, and on one side only.

WE gladly welcome Lambda's history to the columns of THE CRESCENT. We are glad to see Lambda so wide awake.

WE were compelled to publish only a portion of Bro. Hartzel's article this month. The remainder of his excellent production will appear next number.

WE received a communication from an old friend and brother, A. L. Talcott, who is now studying law at the Harvard Law School. Accept thanks, Stilts, for Sigma personals.

EACH frater should avail himself of the excellent opportunity now offered to become posted in our Fraternity History by reading the excellent articles from the pen of our honored brother Jas. S. Eaton.

THE different chapters should take pride in seeing honorable mention made of their alumni in the "ALUMNI NEWS" column. Help us to make this department one of interest and information. All alumni news will be gladly welcomed.

LET each Grand Chapter make it a point to be represented in the department of "Chapter News." If each Grand Chapter performs its duty in this regard it will add greatly in making the CRESCENT what we desire, viz: a *newsy* Fraternity journal.

WE are sorry to say that at the present time there are fifteen chapters that have not reported subscription lists. Brother Deltas, do not let us exhort you to do your duty in this regard. You must know that we cannot exist without your support, and if we perish—we perish, and yours is the fault.

OUR Fraternity now has an excellent foundation in many of the best colleges in the land. Our machinery is all in good running order, and what we need now is to build the superstructure. As a Fraternity we possess the necessities, and we should begin to acquire the luxuries. Every chapter should take pride in fixing up their Halls and decorating them with Delta Tau Delta ornaments.

THE Chi Phi's boast in their Quarterly that Pi chapter of our Fraternity is defunct. This statement is owing either to unpardonable ignorance or an insane desire to distort the truth. Bro. Geissenger, in his communication this month, reports Pi in a flourishing condition, and doing effectual work in opposition to the Chi Phi's. "The straws show which way the wind blows."

IN the Romance Poem, begun in our last number, the fifth line of the second stanza was omitted. It should have read as the fifth line of the first stanza:

"And bid me in thy smile rejoice,
As I rehearse the tale to men."

IN explanation of the invocation, we neglected to say that the poem was prepared for, and read by the author at, the Forty-Third Anniversary of the Goethean Literary Society of Franklin and Marshall College.

THE subject of chapter coats-of-arms has been agitated somewhat of late, and must not be dropped until we arrive at something definite. In our preparations to meet older and peculiarly eastern fraternities, it is absolutely necessary that we adopt some of their customs. No chapter of any of those, called Eastern, fraternities is without a coat-of-arms, some of which are exceedingly pretty. As yet no chapter of our fraternity has such a thing, though the subject has received more or less attention for years. We are glad to see our chapters making some decided move in this direction, and hope that before our next Convention all chapters will have this necessary appendage to their regalia. The coats-of-arms will be used in the new catalogue soon to be issued, making it a much finer looking book than it now is, and we hope it will not be necessary for us to place any chapter list in it not headed by a crest of some kind. No attempt need be made to design something intricate, nor will it need to cost much. The general coat-of-arms can be taken and modified to suit the taste of the chapter, and the chapter letter placed in some prominent part, with the date of foundation. None of the coats-of-arms to be used in the catalogue must be larger than that belonging to the fraternity.

WE urgently request all chapters to elect an Historian, who shall write the history of their chapter, to be sent to THE CRESCENT for publication. If all the chapters do this, their combined histories will give us

a more complete and authenticated history of the Fraternity than we can possibly obtain by any other method. Lambda has already sent in her history, and Alpha, together with several other chapters, are at work writing up their several histories. Do not let this volume of *THE CRESCENT* be completed before all the chapter histories are published. The new chapters will probably not have much to write, and hence can easily comply with the request. The older chapters, which have histories, should be all the more enthusiastic on this point, for they have sufficient data upon which to found interesting and instructive articles. As a Fraternity we are proud of our history, for her growth and increasing influence have been unparalleled in the history of Greek Fraternities. Then let each chapter feel an interest in perpetuating our past history by putting it in a shape that it may be handed down to future Greeks unborn.

CHAPTER SIGMA, of our Fraternity, is located at a college where, by reference to our last catalogue it will be seen, the Faculty are hostile to secret societies in colleges. Yet in the face of the opposition that a narrow-minded and bigoted corps of Professors can possibly muster, Sigma exists, and has done much for the cause of Deltaism in the past. At one time in her history her membership was the largest in the Fraternity. On the 4th day of January, 1875, this chapter was founded by Lewis Walker, of Alpha, and ever since has done active and efficient work.

Too much praise cannot be given to our boys of Sigma for their past success. Those members who have never been members of a society whose very existence was the most profound secret, and the exposure of which would result in the expulsion of all its members from college, can have no adequate idea how so large a body of students as comprises Sigma, could meet and carry on chapter duties without at least some one finding them out. But we are proud to say that the boys are made of that desirable timber that enables them to keep their own counsel. For a candidate to be favorably received into that chapter he must not only have necessary qualifications common to all members, but must also be of that happy disposition that will enable him to keep his mouth closed when occasion requires. At that college to be a Delta is an honor, and to receive a college honor necessarily implies membership in our Fraternity, for our men only have received honors at that college ever since the chapter was founded. Bro. Lewis Walker deserves praise for the good seed planted that has yielded such an abundant harvest.

Let Sigma's history encourage all true Deltas who are located at present at colleges that are so unfavorably situated as to have Faculties so narrow-minded and short-sighted as to oppose such excellent and beneficial institutions as college fraternities. If true Delta blood flows in your veins, opposition from such a

source will not dampen your ardor. It will only tend to greater enthusiasm, and effect more beneficial and lasting results. If you cannot openly flaunt "The Purple," if your meetings must be secret, do not be discouraged. Wear your badge concealed nearest your heart, put your faith in God to whom we are all accountable, and success will crown your efforts. We have the best and most noble men of the past and of the present on our side, and, best of all, we can feel that we have an approving Heavenly Father, who is interested in all mankind, who has more charity than many of those who oppose us and claim to be His followers, and whose opposition only serves as an incentive to the onward progress, the widening influence, and the heavenly benefits of our good old DELTA TAU.

NOTICES TO CHAPTERS.

—Members desiring impressions of the Fraternity cut can be supplied by enclosing ten cents to Alpha. They are similar to the prints on the cover of the catalogue, except that they have a much wider margin, have the three letters in the centre of the cut bronzed, and are printed on card-board.

—We are glad to hear such favorable reports concerning the outlook for the coming year. If each chapter does its duty this year, our Fraternity will be much strengthened, and its influence widened.

—Let "work" be the watchword of each frater for the coming year.

—Each corresponding secretary should send in to Alpha, at once, the catalogue of the college where their chapter is located, with the names of the members of the chapter marked.

—Each corresponding secretary should bear in mind that the welfare of his chapter depends in a great measure on himself. If he be lax in his duties the whole chapter suffers most severely thereby.

—The reports of the several chapters of a Division should be sent in to their Grand Chapter, there to be arranged preparatory to publication. The advisability of this plan is apparent to all.

—Some of the chapters must not think that they can rest idly on their oars and that the good work of *THE CRESCENT* will go on. Our success must depend on the individual effort of every member, and without this universal assistance we must fail.

—It will cost us at least \$400 to publish *THE CRESCENT* during the coming year. To meet this expense each chapter must send us a subscriber for at least every active member. Yet the chapters should not rest with sending subscriptions for active members only, but your alumni should assist in this good work.

—In order to have the petition favorably considered, all applications for charters must be accompanied with

a catalogue of the institution named, together with a list of the fraternities there located. Alpha makes this request in defense of the Fraternity.

—Let all the fraters feel free to send in contributions, either mental or financial, and they will be most favorably received.

CHAPTER NEWS.

ALPHA LOCALS.

—Four Deltas in the Senior class.

—Alpha has twenty-three active members.

—We meet every Saturday evening at seven o'clock.

—Bro. Park Y. Kimmel, class '80, is not in college this term. We miss you, "Frenchy."

—Bro. Judd Wann is business manager of *The Campus*, a monthly journal published by Allegheny College.

—After an absence of one year, Bro. Chas. M. Snyder, of Pittsburgh, is again with us. He enters the Freshman class.

—Alpha has acted on the suggestions of Bro. Hartzell, of "Tau," in regard to the election of officers and candidates.

—Alpha is happy to welcome to her fraternal councils Bros. Mitchell, Locke and Watson, who hail from a sister chapter.

—Alpha has appointed Bros. Lippett, McClurg and Bruce on the Catalogue Committee. The new catalogue will appear about April 1st.

—On the evening of Oct. 17, Alpha fraters were royally entertained by Bro. W. L. McClurg, at his residence on Randolph street. The elegant repast, which was served at 9 o'clock, was fully appreciated by the boys. "Mack" spared no pains in making the occasion a pleasant one.

—It gives us great pleasure to announce that Bro. S. M. Decker, of Alpha, has received the appointment of aid-de-camp, with the commission of captain, on Gen. Huidekoper's staff. Mr. Decker's well-known military ability was recognized, and the Cadet Corp highly honored by this appointment.

—Our chapter is well represented in the Military Department of the college, which consists of a battalion of four companies. Following are the names of those who received offices at the re-organization of the battalion this term:

Adjutant—Bro. J. A. Wann.
 Captains—Bros. Bruce, Decker and McClurg.
 1st Lieutenants—Bros. Chryst and Shilling.
 2d " — " Nodine and Ensign.
 Sergeant Major—Chas. E. Richmond.
 Sergeants—Bros. Gill, Lippitt and Adams.
 Corporals—Bros. White, Hovis and Harper.

FIRST DIVISION.

CHAPTER TAU.

LANCASTER, PA., September 1878.

DEAR CRESCENT.—I know you are looking for some word as to the condition of things in our Division, and you shall have what I can give you. In your next issue I will be better able to tell of enlargements in the Division, and our prospects of founding chapters in the colleges and universities of the East. Our last letter from Gamma, in June, reports the condition of the chapter at Washington and Jefferson College good. The Deltas there have eight fraternities to cope with, and the brunt of their contest with rivals must be had at the beginning of the year. As they had plans laid for some earnest work this session, we look to hear soon of the successful result of their labors. They have good workers, and there is no reason why any other body of men should prevent them from succeeding. Brothers Forney and Griffith, of Nu, were graduated in June, leaving the chapter at Lafayette College virtually extinct; but notwithstanding this ill-fortune, we have got good news from the chapter about which we were most solicitous. The charter of the chapter passed into the hands of George W. Geiser, Esq., a graduate member of Tau now practicing the profession of law at Easton, and, thanks to his abiding love for his fraternity, there are strong hopes that the chapter will be revived to live a life of usefulness and honor. Brother Geiser writes under date of yesterday (September 20): "When I undertake a thing I can not allow myself to fail. I have a student-at-law in college, and he has asked me to be in readiness to impart the secrets of Deltaism to himself and three other good men of his class on next Wednesday evening. Brothers Biery and Lawfer (formerly of Tau) will be here, and perhaps also some of the members of Chapter Pi. We meet in my office, 329 Northampton street." A large class has entered this year at Lafayette, and with a membership of five to begin with, we feel sure good work may be accomplished there. We have also encouraging news from Chapter Pi, at Lehigh University. Brother Wolle writes under date of Sept. 15th: "In my last letter from Bro. Hartzell, he says he saw in the *Chi Phi Quarterly* the bragging of their chapter was, that Pi, of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, was literally defunct. He will doubtless be pleased to hear that last night we took in a new man, and one that the Chi Phis have been trying very hard to get, and next Saturday we will initiate another of their candidates. There are good prospects of our adding two more to our number shortly." Neither Bro. Wolle nor Bro. Hammond are any longer students at Bethlehem, but both are doing all in their power to revive their chapter, and in all their efforts they will be heartily seconded by the chapter here at Franklin and Marshall College. Of Chapter

Rho it is hardly necessary for me to speak. Bro. Bruck, of the chapter, is in direct communication with *THE CRESCENT*, and tells, therefore, his own story. The chapter gives promise of doing this year even greater things than in the past, and we feel sure that the whole fraternity may rely on her members to guard well the interests of Delta Tau Delta at Hoboken. Eta Beta Prime is the newest chapter of the Division, but she has started well, and we look for great things to come out of Pittsburgh. Pittsburgh is a prominent city, and once a chapter is firmly established there, it will be a pivotal point for the Delta world, East, West, North and South. The chapter will have no opposition fraternity to assail, and can therefore afford to look well to her selection of candidates, and thus create a chapter that can not only pride itself on its numerical strength, but also, and especially, on the dignity and worth of its membership. Tau starts on the year with good prospects. Two men have been added since the term opened, against one lost by graduation in June, and a number of others are expected to come in with us soon. But one of the rival fraternities will be able to make anything of a fight against us. We will get in only good men, and we will secure, too, about as many as we would wish to have. Before the next issue of *THE CRESCENT* we will occupy, I venture to say, the finest fraternity hall in the city, and at no time during the year do we intend to forfeit our prestige to any of the bodies of men who would jealously joy to pull us down.

The Deltas of Rho led off in a field contest of the Athletic Association, at Hoboken, recently.

Fraternally,

J. H. GEISSINGER, for Tau.

NOTES FROM CHAPTER TAU.

Bro. Loucks, of '81 at Princeton, recently paid Mater Tau a flying visit.

$\Phi K \Psi$, $X \Phi$ and $\Phi K \Xi$ are the foes we contend with at Franklin and Marshall.

Geissinger, of '80, has been invited to the editorship of a holiday daily edition of a Huntingdon (Pa.) newspaper.

Bro. B. F. Biery, of '75, and Union Theological Seminary, '78, is quietly resting from divinity studies, at Orefield, Lehigh Co., Pa.

Pi.—“Dick” Wetherill, who hails from Lafayette, Indiana, says he is going to Put-in-Bay Convention with our orator, Congressman G. S. Orth.

A Delta Tau Delta hat is the newest thing with Tau. It is in style, and many are the foes who would like to wear it had not our chapter first put it on.

Bro. “Bug”—by which appellation we mean Mayburry—is our youngest member in point of age, but a stauncher Delta is not to be found in all the ranks of Chapter Tau.

College Days, the organ of our literary societies and college, has been resuscitated after a lapse of two years. Tau's Sigma Alpha goes on the staff as junior editor from the Goethean Society.

Mr. W. H. Woodring, '82, is a student-at-law in the office of G. W. Geiser, Esq., at Easton, is the owner of a prominent hat store in the city, and yet holds his own in his college classes.

Bro. G. W. Geiser, of '75, successfully practicing the profession of the law at Easton, is deserving of special commendation in connection with the re-founding of Chapter Nu. It was through his care that we came to be placed on our feet again at Lafayette. Tau only struck when he had ready the heated iron. Bro. Geiser will go down in history, too, as the founder of Chapter Pi.

Since our last notes were forwarded to *THE CRESCENT* our chapter has rented the second floor of Odd Fellows Hall, where we meet now on Saturday evenings of each week. The building itself is one of the finest of its kind in the State, and the Delta story will be made inviting, and a fit place into which we can welcome all fraters of the blood when they come to see us. And to all is the invitation, “come.”

The last week of September was signalized by some work on the part of Tau looking to the firm establishment of Deltaism at Lafayette College. Bro. J. H. Geissinger was sent to Easton by the chapter, and on Wednesday evening, the 26th, aided by Bro. Geo. W. Geiser, we inducted into the mysteries of the fraternity W. H. Woodring, W. A. Seibert, and R. D. Walter, resident members of the class of '82. Two new members have been reported since, and in the hands of active men, such as we now have at Chapter Nu, the undertaking can not but succeed. Bro. Seibert has been elected Sigma, and to him, at Easton, any communications may be addressed. Bro. Geissinger also paid a visit to Chapter Pi, at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa. Three active members were found here: Bros. R. B. Wetherill, of '81, and L. B. Treharne and T. H. Hardcastle, of '82. The outlook at Lehigh is encouraging. The chapter is about to resume its meetings in the hall formerly used, and there is good promise that the once famous Pi will soon regain her former prestige. “Amen!” says Tau, who wishes all prosperity to Pi and Nu.

FOURTH DIVISION.

CHAPTER LAMBDA.

H. L. Livingston will continue in the capacity of S. A. this year. J. Charles Speer will act as assistant.

Eben H. Chapin, of last year's class, has entered the Theological Department of Tuft's College, College Hill, Mass. Not only his brother Deltas, but all who knew

him while pursuing his college course in Galesburg, join in wishing him the greatest possible success.

Bro. C. C. Maynard, '77, and Miss Clara Ellis, both of San Jose, Cal., were there married, July 5th. The CRESCENT extends its fraternal congratulations to the new Benedict.

Vacation is over, and once more the tramp of busy feet is heard in Lombard's halls. Chapter Lambda commences the new year with nine active members which number will, in all probability, be considerably augmented soon, as we are on the *qui vive* and there is a goodly number of new students to work upon. No opposition has as yet developed itself, but no one knows what another day may bring forth. Is Phi Sigma dead or only sleeping? "Oh, Rome! Rome! where art thou?"

Lambda has received the first number of THE CRESCENT under the new management, and offers her congratulations to the new *regime* upon its ability to produce so handsome and presentable a paper. May THE CRESCENT grow in the favor of the brotherhood, and may the coffers of its treasury fill.

"STYLUS."

Bro. O. A. Janes, judge of probate, and a true Delta, was married not long ago. Kappa wishes him a long and happy life.

Four "full-blooded" Deltas, Bros. D. W. Cook, J. H. Gallaher, Fred Betts and C. R. Wheeler, will leave us this fall for the University. These, together with Bros. C. F. and W. W. Cook, who have been there the last two years, will make a good representation of Kappa at the University. It is a disgrace to the fraternity that there is no longer a chapter there with which they might unite.

C. R. M.

CHAPTER CHI.

DEAR CRESCENT—

The Fall term of the Iowa Wesleyan University opened Sept. 11th, and present appearances indicate that there will be a larger attendance than there has been for a number of years. Chapter Chi will open with not more than six members, and probably only five; but nevertheless we do not intend to let our energy flag, but we *do* intend to work hard for the welfare of Chapter Chi. Now is the time when all possible force will be hurled against us from opposing secret orders, and unless we hold fast to all we have, and gain all we possibly can, we cannot expect to succeed; but succeed we *must*, and succeed we *will*.

Bro. Davidson, one of our most active members last year, has engaged a school for a year, near his home at Brooklyn, Ia. We will miss the brother, but as he will be back next year, we do not feel as though he is lost to us entirely.

Bro. A. C. Kauffman has also been engaged to teach a school for this year in the western part of the State. We wish the brother success and hope to see him back next year. Your brother Delta.

C. W. BEATTIE, Act'g Sec.

ALUMNI PERSONALS

[NOTICE.—In order to have our paper interesting to our alumni, it must have alumni personals and news. Will the assistant editors please take particular pains to furnish us with such?]

ALPHA. Old Chapter at Bethany. E. C. Hays, M. D., a charter member of our fraternity, is a practicing physician at Hannibal, Mo.

Old Chapter at Canonsburg. Rev. L. M. Gilleland, class '67, is preaching at Tidioute, Pa.

Rev. W. S. Fulton is preaching in Oil City, Pa.

At Allegheny College. J. M. Cooper, class '68, a charter member of old Theta, is a physician in Meadville, Pa.

A. H. Roudebush, class '70, is in the oil business at Oil City, Pa.

J. M. Landon is in the oil business at Bradford, Pa.

GAMMA. Fred. Wilson is keeping books at Bradford, N. Y.

PI. Wm. B. Baldy is the junior editor of the *Mon-tour American*, at Danville, Pa.

MU. Old Chapter at North East. Emory A. Walling, '75, is studying law at Erie, Pa.

LEN. E. Davis, '76, is clerk on the up-lake steamer Winslow.

TAU. Bro. T. H. Cort, of Tau, '78, is at Belleville, Esmeralda county, Nevada, clerking for an uncle largely interested in silver mining.

ETA BETA PRIME. Chris. Galeener is married, and will join the Illinois Conference this fall.

A. J. Beavis, '78, is reading law at Peoria.

S. Melvin is farming near Greenfield.

SIGMA. Jacob P. Fawcett, '72, is reported as enjoying a very large practice before the bar at Canton, Stark county, O.

Willis F. Park, '74, was sojourning in San Jose, Cal., when last heard from, but we understand he intends to complete his course of study in Harvard Law School at no distant day. He has been admitted to the Canton bar.

Tom Collins, '75, *found at last*. He was one of our *honor* men, and it is needless to refer to the great stir and commotion he has already caused in the world. His name is a watchword *the country round*, and he is a rising light in the legal fraternity of Columbiana Co., Ohio.

Adam J. Culp is engaged in the study of law at Richmond, Ohio, and also in teaching.

John H. Dussell, '75, is reading law at Randolph, O. He was also an honor man.

Oliver E. Taylor, '75, is engaged in the practice of law at Turkey City, Pa.

John Fremont Cox—85 Grant St., Pittsburgh, Pa., is his address. He is a model young lawyer, and we hear that he is as popular in the legal *role* as in that of a student. We wish him success.

Martin S. Sprowls is practicing law in Wichita, Kansas, and is one of the rising young men of that State.

John C. Talcott, '76, also a member of the class of '78 in Yale Law School, is now practicing at Jefferson, Ashtabula Co., Ohio. He is with the firm of Northway & Fitch. Another of our honor men.

Albert J. Woolf, '76, was recently admitted to the Mahoning Co. bar at Youngstown, Ohio, and is now with the firm of Van Hyning & Johnston. His face is often seen at the meetings of Sigma, and if all alumni were as attentive to the wants of their chapter as he is, Deltaism would never wane.

Joseph H. Roberts, or "Old Joe," is as much a giant as he ever was. Sigma enjoys the reputation of having in her ranks the only living specimen of a giant who never ate more than we common mortals. He is now a legal giant in Steubenville, Ohio.

F. H. Woodbury, '78, is now reading law in the office of his father, Judge H. B. Woodbury, at Jefferson, Ashtabula Co., Ohio. While in college Fred was the champion jumper of the world, having cleared 13 feet and 10 inches at one leap. He also ranked high as a student, and we predict for him a brilliant success in life.

Will H. Rowles, of '77, is now reading law at Wheeling, W. Va. If Will manifests the same zeal at law that he did at his studies while in college, he can not but succeed.

Chas. S. Cobbs, '77, is teaching his second year at Melvern, O. A letter from the Directors of the school at that place informs us that they will not be satisfied with any other teacher than Cobbs in the future.

Albert L. Rabe is at his old home, Sheboygan, Wis., where he is engaged as Secretary of the Phoenix Chair Company. Success to you, Al., and may you earn as many dollars as you made friends while in college.

Rev. W. Penn Graham, '77, has been returned to the Wheatland, Pa., charge, by the Erie Conference, of which he is a member. He is meeting with marked success in his ministerial labors.

J. Newt. Boucher, '76, is reading law at Greensburg, Pa. Our past knowledge of "Newt." assures us that he will make a success at the law. He is an alumnus of Sigma of which she is proud.

C. Forest Iddings, '77, is on the editorial staff of a newspaper at Deadwood, Dacotah Territory. The Editor-in-chief sends "Tom" greeting.

ALUMNI NEWS.

Will Carleton is traveling in Scotland.

James Doughty is teaching school at Frenchtown, Pa.

Godlove S. Orth, our orator elect, has been elected to Congress in Indiana.

Joe Bausman, an old and tried Delta, is back to complete his studies at Washington and Jefferson College.

Frank Nodine is attending medical lectures in Cleveland. W. J. Mosier is doing the same in Philadelphia.

E. A. Hempstead, who does the fraternity printing, runs the largest printing establishment in Meadville. THE CRESCENT is a specimen of his work.

On the evening of October 3d, at eight o'clock, Mr. Albert B. Force, Esq., of Erie, Pa., was married to Miss Louise Powers, in the St. Peters Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. "Burr" was of the class of '68, Allegheny College, an active Delta, and a classmate and "brother in the bonds" of Willis Powers, a whole-souled Greek of old Delta Chapter, and brother of the bride. May we wish the couple *bon voyage* over the sea of life?

It affords us great pleasure to notice in another column the marriage of Bro. J. P. L. Weems, our predecessor in the management of THE CRESCENT. Bro. Weems is a graduate of Hanover College, class '76, and is a Delta of the highest standing. His record as a frater of our fraternity is one to be proud of, and now that he has "the prettiest and sweetest little wife in Indiana," THE CRESCENT, his own *protege*, wishes him the greatest of happiness. May Dame Fortune smile upon his legal efforts, and no cloud obscure the happiness of his married life.

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