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"May no cloud obscure the Crescent
Of our good old Delta Tau."

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ALUMNI SONG.

THERE'S a tear in the eye for the joys that
are fled,
For friends who have crossed the dark
river,

For dear, loving hearts, all silent and dead,
And hopes that have left us forever.
But oh, they are waiting—I feel it—for me,
For all who were faithful of yore,
And over the depths flitting visions I see,
Stretching out their white arms from the shore.

But oh, in the course of the fast fleeting years,
In the depths of some sorrowing night,
Some phantom of laughter and pleasure appears,
And mockingly fades from the sight.
They leave a dull pain for the joys we have lost
For the moments we've trifled away;
A memory chilled by adversity's frost,
And a heart too grim to be gay.

Once midst laughter and light so merrily, we
Sang the gay songs of old Delta Tau.
Oh, where are the voices with sweet melody?
What music engages them now?
Do they sing of the past as a glorious past,
Or is it a dirge they are groaning?
Do they see that all wandering and doubtings,
at last
Are faults beyond earthly atoning?

Oh, brothers, be loyal, be noble and true;
It is manly to cling to a friend,
To hearts which have surely been faithful to you,
And always will be to the end.
The boys will be scattered all over the land,
And their voices no more you will hear;
Then the bright smiles of trust, the clasp of the
hand,
Will only in fancy appear.

Oh, often the jewels we have, we neglect,
So carelessly, recklessly gay
Too keen in the present, too blind to reflect,
Until they have vanished away.
Then cling while you may to the friends of your
youth;
Life is short, make it sweet as you can.
Remember the jewels. Think well of this truth,
That youth well employed makes—the man.

C. M. S.

THE HAPPY CHOCKTAW.

GOOD morning, smiling sir, said I,
As jolly Sol rose in the sky.
This is to be a happy day
For I will laugh dull care away.
Now, I'm a Delta; that is why
I troll my song so merrily.
And so, my friend, I'm sure would you
If you were but a Delta, too.

Good morning, pretty birds, said I,
My pulse thrills with your melody.
It makes my happiness complete.
Sing on, your trill is passing sweet,
For I'm a Delta, so you see
Why all is dear and sweet to me.
And so, my friend, 'twould be to you
If you were but a Delta, too.

Good morning, blooming flowers, said I,
The crimson heads bowed in reply.
Bloom on! your incense fills the air.
Bloom on! it is your only care.
For I'm a Delta, and you know
I love to see you blossom so.
And so, my friend, 'twould be with you
If you were but a Delta, too.

Good morning, restless leaves, said I.
 What say the zephyrs as they fly?
 What secret stealing through your shade,
 Has all this nervous trembling made.
 I surely hear you whispering there
 The breezy mysteries of air.
 And so, my friend, I'm sure would you,
 If you were but a Delta, too.

Good morning, said I, to the light;
 Good evening, to the coming night.
 And now there's little else to say,
 Save, this has been a happy day,
 And all the days will happy be,
 To hearts of love and loyalty.
 And so they'll always be to you
 For now you are a Delta, too.

C. M. S.

THETA'S MARCHING SONG.

AIR—*Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching.*

Many a day has passed away,
 Since the purple and the gray,
 O'er the hills of Bethany were unfurled;
 And to-day we truly say,
 As we march upon our way,
 Delta's name shall spread throughout the col-
 lege world.

CHORUS:—

Forward, forward, Delta brothers,
 Toward the beautiful and good,
 Others faint but on we fight,
 From the noon until the night,
 For the glory of our dear old brotherhood.

And among our jewels bright,
 Circling with a crown of light,
 Round the brow of our beloved Delta Queen;
 There our chapter's name we place,
 Filled with beauty, love and grace,
 Theta, brightest of the gems that are there seen.

Though our foes upon us press,
 We will always falter less,
 When we see their bitter enmity arise;
 For there is no wanton force,
 Can oppose our onward course,
 We will bear our Delta banner to the skies.

TYRO, WHAT IS DELTA TAU DELTA?

EDITOR CRESCENT:—Hoping that this may entertain, as well as instruct, I respectfully submit the following:

Delta Tau Delta was founded at Bethany, W. Va., in 1859. She is 23 years old and has held as many annual national conventions. To-day she is certainly one of the youngest, and we hope, one of the strongest, and *the* most liberal of any of the numerous American college fraternities.

Her founders were R. H. Alfred, (Professor,) Allendale, S. C., Andrew C. Earle, (Lieut. C. S. A.,) Columbia, S. C., J. N. Johnson, Bowling Green, Ky., and Eugene Tarr, (attorney,) Wellsburg, W. Va. Two were from South Carolina, one from West Virginia, and one from Kentucky. Delta Tau Delta, Tyro, is a southern fraternity, judging by its birth. The first chapter was organized with a membership of *thirteen*, which to her has been a lucky number. From thirteen states there has sprung a broad-viewed, liberal-minded nation,—a like *success* is waiting for "dear old Delta Tau." Of the "13" but four are dead—Alfred, Bell, Earle, and King, having been called above to the grand Chapter Hall of Rest, meet in close convention now with our blessed *Delta dead*.

Of that first chapter, nine were from the south, and four were natives of the north. Two being from South Carolina, two from Kentucky, two from Missouri, and three from West Virginia, three coming from Ohio, and one from New York.

In 1859 but one chapter, in 1861 three, in 1863 five, which does not seem to prove the statements made by some "that Delta Tau had disbanded during the war of the Rebellion," and in 1881 there are twenty-five, divided into four grand divisions, each division governed by a grand chapter, and the whole is governed by the Alpha, which decides all questions in dispute. Delta boys said, "what sad farewell of friends who part to meet no more," and some put on the blue and others wore the grey—and in the battle brothers met with uplifted arms to strike each other down.

Gamma, first chapter, sent to "the lost cause." Brig-Gen. L. Thompson, C. S. A.; and Theta gave up 1st Lieut. A. C. Earle. In the Federal forces we find from second Alpha, Maj. W. S. Foster, M. D., Pa., Vol. Cav.; Adj't. Geo. Purviance, 134, Pa. Vol.; First Lieutenant S. S. Browne, U. S. A.;

Lieut. J. A. Coulter, 146, N. Y. Vol., Lieut. R. S. Nicholls, and Lieut. J. S. Chambers, U. S. Sig.-Corps; G. S. Graham, M. D., 10, P. V. Cav.; S. H. Dickey, U. S. A.; G. G. White, M. D., O. Vol.; T. H. Phillips, M. D., U. S. A. and to-day, the oak leaves of the North and the Pine needles of the south unite in a common service—they cover up the graves of brothers slain in battle by the hands of their Delta brothers. Mu, first chapter, contributed Gen. Thomas M. Browne, (M. C. from Indiana,); and Phi, W. A. Collins, Surg. U. S. A.; Beta, Capt. David Putnam, O. V.; First Lieut. Columbia Downing, O. Vol.; and W. T. Patterson, 116, O. Vol.; Morgantown Academy, R. E. Finnell, U. S. A., and B. Johnston, U. S. A.; First Gamma divided and sent 1st Lieut. Andrew Colts, M. D., U. S. A., to the North, while the rest of her Delta boys drifted off to "Dixie's Land." *Δ T Δ* claims Capt. R. G. Heiner, U. S. A., founder of the Alpha, who is now on duty in the southwest, two cadets at West Point and two cadets at the U. S. Naval Academy. To leave gold lace and glittering arms, the Crescent knights have among their number 325 lawyers, 135 ministers, 104 physicians, thirty-two journalists and editors, sixty-five school teachers, and seventy-two professors in schools and colleges. While such a showing is, indeed, encouraging, Delta Tau can go yet further. So stepping into politics, there may be counted twenty-three who have earned the title of "honorable" in Congress, state legislatures, and as members of the judiciary. First Chapter Nu takes the lead in distinguished Deltas. To her belong Hon. J. M. Bloss, Gen. T. M. Browne, M. C., 5th Dist. Ind., and Godlove S. Orth, M. C., one of the late candidates for Speaker of the House. Alas for *EB*, Chi, Omega, Upsilon, *IB*, *ZB*, and *Δ*, for up to June, 1879, *they could not show one minister*, and Third Alpha makes up for this—out of sixty-four members, thirty are clergymen. Second Alpha excelled in soldiers, having ten, and in doctors, possessing seventeen. And now, if one would wish for "soldiers for the Christmas tree" the present "Alpha" has a plethora of them. Alpha has forty lawyers, twelve M. D.'s, six ministers, and four journalists. Theta counts forty-seven "laws," eight "medics," eight "mins," and one journalist. Sigma claims forty lawyers from seventy-two names on her roll. Omega has neither a healer of the body or soul, and Upsilon keeps her company. *ZB* and *E* have no "limbs of the law," and *ZB* offers a shelter neither to those who minister to our temporal wants, nor to those who take charge of our spiritual prospects.

Tyro, one more question must be answered, and then I've done. A noted temperance lecturer, a lady, lately asked, "What do college fraternities do for temperance? Allow me to answer for *Δ T Δ*, that her "labor" is for "the true, the beautiful and the good" in all things. Temperate habits and good morals are aimed at by our brothers. We have no drunkards—if we were to discover one we would not desert our brother. For Alpha let us say "*we know of none who drink.*" It is a rule that neither wines or liquors of any kind shall be permitted at any banquets of either *Δ T Δ*, or at the banquets of any of her chapters—nor do we want it. Now, Tyro, let thy aspirations ever be those of every Crescent knight—to be clean and pure "in mind, body and estate," and, in the future, as in the past, let us *ever* strive to be

"Worthy to bear without reproach
The grand old name of gentlemen."

Your brother,

JACK D. WATSON.

AN INTER-FRATERNITY CONVENTION.

Recently while conversing with a member of another fraternity in one of our large cities, the matter of an inter-fraternity convention was broached to me. The idea seemed quite feasible to me, and I agreed to get, if I could, the sense of the Delta fraternity upon the matter. The idea is not a bad one, but there are others better prepared than I to say whether it is practicable or not. All college fraternities, though rivals among themselves, have common ends and interests. The purposes for which all, or much the greater part, are run, are very similar. Now why would not the interests of all be subserved by a general convention composed of delegates from all the various college fraternities? Many of the representative men of the nation are "modern Greeks." Bring their services into acquisition so far as possible, and let them testify before the world, of the worth of these fraternities. Their presence and words would send such a chill of discomfiture down the spinal cords of the old fogies who fight Greek societies as heinous affairs, that the dust will almost be shaken for a while out of their befuddled brains.

Last month there met in this city the annual convention of the National Christian Association, an organization opposed to secret orders. During their three days' session they mercilessly attacked Masonry and Odd Fellowship. It made the former responsible for the Rebellion, and classed members of all secret organizations as little better than knaves. They told of the horrors of Greek fraternities and the fearful bane they are to college students. They were cranks. In the midst of their farcical proceedings they nominated their old ranting ring-leader, Rev. Jonathan Blanchard, for President of the United States in 1884. For years and years they have been at work trying to undermine secret societies. They are still "Blanchard's crowd," still clinging to old foggy, narrow ideas and numbers, while that which they fight grows apace.

A convention of college fraternities would certainly outrival the above, not only in appearance and intelligence, but in *every* particular. Newspapers would give it marked attention. It would be productive of much good feeling and prove instructive as well. To be sure the plans for such a meeting are yet to be formulated, for what is here written is merely a suggestion. But perhaps the subject is worth discussing, and believing that it is, I submit it to the readers of THE CRESCENT.

H. S. L.

Galesburg, Ill., January 5, 1882.

DEAR CRESCENT:—It has been so long since I have contributed anything for your columns that every time I look at the second page of your cover and see my name honored by a position on your staff of corresponding editors, "coals of fire" are heaped upon my unworthy head.

Some years ago my father said to me, "My son, when you have anything to say, say it. If you have nothing to say, keep still and don't expose your ignorance." I always considered that pretty good advice, and probably the cause of my long silence is due to the practical observance of the above counsel. At this time, however, I feel that I have something to say.

In the December CRESCENT I read a communication from the Sigma, from it I learned that the *heart and brain* of that college is still com-

pelled to sneak around at night, like West Virginia "moonshiners," in order to hold meetings of a chapter that belongs to a fraternity that inculcates more real moral worth, trains its members in lofty virtues, and is instrumental in developing a higher manhood than is portrayed in the lives of that Antiquated Fac—.

My pen is growing too caustic, and so I dip it in the "milk of human kindness" and simply say that it is an insult to young manhood, an everlasting shame upon any faculty, a blight on the fair hopes of any so called college, to say to any body of young men that they *shall not* form themselves into a brotherhood and have their characters, while in the formative period of life, influenced by the observance of such virtues as characterize every Greek letter society of any reputation. No wonder that the former glory is passing away from the institution where the Sigma is located. No harm intended, Bro. Sigmas, by that remark, but this deponent "has been there," and knows whereof he speaks. The President and faculty of this college, with a few honorable exceptions, are opposed to the fraternity idea. In their opinion, it is as great a sin to be a member of the Masonic order, or an Odd Fellow, or a member of a College Fraternity, or go to a livery stable and hire and pay for a buggy ride, or call on a young lady after sun-down, as to transgress one of the laws of the decalogue. I have always respected a man who was true to his principles in the face of strong opposition. Who does not admire that man who was for the Union although a citizen of South Carolina, or believed in State's rights and feared not to express his opinion under the very shadow of old Faneuil Hall, more than the Union man of Boston or the advocate of confederacy in Charleston? Hence I love and respect those Deltas at the Sigma. Neither beeswax nor avoirdupois, nor even a demonia toot can alarm them, and right in the face of an august Board of Trustees, and in the teeth of a fanatic faculty, they go right on laboring "for the beautiful and good." God bless the boys of Sigma, and ——— I was going to say something bad again, but I refrain.

Now let us look at a brighter picture. At a recent dinner given by the "New York Wesleyan Alumni Club," where many of the leading men of that city were present, President Beach, of Wesleyan college, Middletown, Conn., said that the Greek letter societies of "Wesleyan" were an honor to the college, and those Judges, Doctors of Divinity and Doctors of Medicine, who had been members of the various fraternities

while in Wesleyan college; all said "Amen"

"This college has her \$1,000,000 endowment and a faculty unsurpassed by any college in the land,

"Look here, upon this picture, and on this:
The counterfeit presentment of two brothers; (colleges)
See, what a grace was seated on this brow."

Now look at that other picture, which is
"like a mildewed ear,

Blasting his wholesome brother."

Dr. L. H. Bugbee, President of Allegheny College, who is an honored alumnus of the *Ψ* *Υ* fraternity, once said to me that the college fraternities were a marked feature of Allegheny College, and that he held them all in the highest regard.

Now when a candid observer looks over the field of American colleges and finds all the *leading* colleges not only permitting but encouraging fraternities, and nearly all the small institutions hardly deserving the dignified title of "college," strongly opposed to such organizations; I say, when a candid observer notes these facts, can he be accused of making what the logicians call a "hasty generalization," when he says that the smallness of the college is in keeping with the calibre of its faculty which opposes secret societies?

I have tried to write calmly, but I fear that I have in a measure failed. Those weak institutions that oppose fraternities ought to be *pitied* instead of censured; for surely "they know not what they do." When some poor, ignorant, though conscientious, soul, in talking to a Freemason, tells him that it is a cruelty to dumb animals to put a full grown man upon the back of a goat, the mason will not pour out upon this sympathetic ignoramus the vials of his wrath; but will simply look down into his stupid face and tell him that they will dispense with the goat in the future and use a donkey instead; at the same time making him a proffer of terms.

So we must not be too harsh with those who "see not as we," but give them time to learn by observation that the idea, towards which they are so antagonized, is indigenous in the heart of humanity, and that wherever there is collected together a number of individuals of different natures and propensities, there will spring up those organizations that will bind together those of like hopes and dispositions, and all the papal bulls and royal edicts and faculty rules in the universe will be as effective in crushing them, as a chip of cork in checking the onward flow of some mighty river.

CHAS. B. MITCHELL.

MARION, KAS., Dec. 29, 1881.

A LETTER FROM W. C. BUCHANAN, OF THETA, '73.

DEAR CRESCENT:—I should indeed be false to my best and dearest friends should I reject the calls of THE CRESCENT.

Like the sweet voice of an old friend your coming at Christmas time is sweet greeting. The infant CRESCENT I once knew and fondled over is grown. The child has become a man, and a worthy one it is. I have drifted so far apparently from the circles of information that for a time I had feared "the little moon" was no more. But thanks to good seed in rich soil, it still grows. Looking over its pages, the father of two sons and the humble writer cannot help but feel that the curious words of Horace are too true. But that our monument is safe and strong no one longer doubts. The eloquent touches of Bro. Richmond have been made a hundred fold more eloquent by the energy, and care, and splendid labors bestowed on THE CRESCENT in the year that is past. And the laurel leaves which he has lately won, every true frater will join me in saying, were most worthily bestowed, whether "Greek" or "barbarian" be in the contest.

The reports I read in THE CRESCENT of our fraternity make me very happy, for no one I presume can ever doubt my allegiance to Delta Tau Delta, and my hopes for its prosperity and success, for they are second to no others.

I believe I have never missed a number of THE CRESCENT except the first two of this volume. So send me the back numbers and put me down for three. My leaving Cincinnati has probably been the cause of not getting the first ones.

My presence here is explained by the fact that Mr. Thomas and I opened a grocery house in this little city in September last, and are now boomers for the golden Northwest. If any Deltas stray this way I will be glad to tell them of Dakota, "the future great." Kind regards to all the boys of Alpha. Yours,

BUCHANAN,

Fargo, D. T., Dec. 28, 1881.

FRATERNITIES OF HARVARD.

Although class feeling sometimes seems to predominate at Harvard, yet it does not interfere with fraternity work, for the reason that the literary societies exist merely in name, it is the *honor* of belonging to them. The following fraternities have chapters at Harvard: The Phi Beta Kappa, the Alpha Delta Phi, and the Delta Upsilon. The chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was established at Harvard in 1779. Oliver Wendell Holmes is president. The chapter consists of nine members, all of the class of '82. It is based on literary merits. The first nine men of the senior class are taken into the chapter.

The Delta Upsilon was established at Harvard in 1881, and numbers sixteen members, one of them being a Jap. The Harvard chapter of the Alpha Delta Phi was established in 1837, and at present consists of twenty-six members including some of the leading men of the institution. The captain of the university foot-ball team is an Alpha Delta Phi. The Pi Eta is as much a fraternity as a literary society, so we can class it as such. It is limited to Harvard and was founded in 1865, and numbers twenty-six men. They are elected in the junior year. The members are of a dramatic turn, and the chapter gives several good plays every year. The two leading literary societies at Harvard of a secret nature are the Instituto of 1770, (a Sophomore society,) and the Hasty Pudding Club, (a Senior society). The Instituto numbers fifty men, the picked men of the sophomore class, which has 220 members. The Hasty Pudding Club has a membership of eighty. It may be of interest to know how these men are taken in. At the end of the junior year ten men are elected by the preceding ten, who are generally the most popular, wealthy, etc., etc., of the class. These ten men then elect every other man who enters the society. No man can become a member unless he has received nine votes out of the ten. Although the society should number one hundred members,

yet the *first* ten, and not the rest, do the electing of all new men.

There are other fraternity men at Harvard of course, but they keep their *pins sub rosa*. One of the Harvard papers seems to explain the reason for this when it says all regalia pins, society and fraternity outward show, seems to be unpopular at Harvard. It is believed that the Delta Kappa Epsilon is here, and perhaps other fraternities, but they have not come out in print in the *Index* which was lately published containing a list of the societies, etc., of Harvard.

The chapters meet generally once in two weeks and all publish their time of meeting in the college daily papers.

The Hasty Pudding is the only society at Harvard that owns a building, and they are contemplating the erection of a new one soon. E. A. D.

OUR SONG BOOK.

Once on a time there was a convention of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity held at Put-in-Bay, Lake Erie. The meeting was as pleasant as well as a very important one. We will not attempt to enumerate the different measures discussed and acted on, which were for the benefit of the fraternity. There is but one to which reference will be made at present, that is the action in regard to the publishing of a song book. It was there decided that our musical standing warranted the publication of a first class book of this kind. For this purpose a committee selected from different chapters was appointed. This committee was unable to accomplish much the first year. The chairman resigned at the Chicago convention. The committee was reconstructed and went to work again, placing the work almost entirely in the hands of one man. The prospects of an early completion of the book were bright. But failure came, why we will not say here. However, not discouraged, the subject was again taken up at Pittsburg, and there it was decided to place the work in the hands of a single chapter. Tau was appointed for the pur-

pose, and our object is now to call on every chapter and every alumni for assistance. Letters have been written to every chapter, but many of them have failed to respond although an early reply was asked. Brothers, why is this? We cannot think it is a lack of interest in the work, yet what can this silence be called.

We know that every chapter is interested in the advancement of the cause of Deltaism, that every loyal frater is in hearty accord with every movement tending to raise the purple and grey still higher in honor among our sister fraternities. But let not a few do the work. Be anxious to do your share. Music hath charms such as cannot be excelled by any other art. Therefore why should we as Deltas not make ourselves as familiar as possible with this art. Fraters, this is just what we desire to do in the publishing of a song book filled with Delta music, overflowing with the true spirit of our noble order, and thereby increasing our zeal and earnestness. Remember the idea of that writer who said, "Let me write the ballads of a nation and you may write its laws."

Now let each chapter consider that it is its duty to aid in this, to be represented, and to contribute its share toward the report. It is needed at once. Delays are dangerous. Of course the work will go on. It will contain as much original music as it is possible to procure, all to be written by Deltas. The selected music will be of the very best. Style and price have not yet been definitely decided, but do not fear that they will be such as to place the book beyond the reach of anyone. We want to make the publication the best of the kind. We know that you all favor the project, so again ask your aid and cooperation. Send us your songs, whether they be smoking, drinking, banquet initiation, motto, serenade, complimentary, chapter or general fraternity song. Don't be afraid to write to us. If it lies in your power to procure for us a copy of any fraternity song book, we will be under many obligations to you. Last, but not least, do not forget to send your names to increase the list of

subscribers, for only a limited number will be published. Will you give your aid to the undertaking?

Address all communications and manuscripts to O. R. Snyder or T. N. Reiter, Box 149, Lancaster, Pa.

GREEK WORLD.

B Θ Π's new catalogue has been published.

Φ Κ Ψ does not wish to be known as a literary society.

Φ Δ Θ has forty-one active and ten alumni chapters.

Σ Φ held her convention in New York City Jan. 5th. 6th and 7th.

Σ Φ's chapter at Williams contemplates building a chapter house.

Σ Χ is considering the advisability of establishing an extension committee.

The University of Mississippi will probably in the near future adopt anti-fraternity laws.

The chapter of *Φ Γ Δ* at Williams, which recently disbanded, now forms a chapter of *Ζ Ψ*.

The *Σ Χ* is authority for the statement that *Φ Γ Δ* has organized a chapter at the U., of California.

Φ Γ Δ holds her next convention at Columbus, O., Aug. 30th and 31st, Sept. 1st and 2nd 1882.

Φ Κ Ψ wishes to enter Simpson Centenary College. The President of that institution is a *Φ Κ Ψ*.

The *Δ Β Φ* chapter at Lafayette has been re-established by a member from Cornell. They start with eight men.

With great regret we notice that *Φ Γ Δ* has lost her Williams chapter. We understand that the Gammas had an excellent set of men.

Φ Κ Ψ's, which used to have the most prominent position at Wooster University, is rapidly falling from its high place on account of internal dissensions.

Φ Κ Σ seems to be breathing her last at Lafayette, having but one man and he a senior. This is one of the oldest fraternities at Lafayette, being established there in 1853.

B Θ II has refused a petition from certain students of Penn'a College. *Sigma Chi* for Dec. Certain students of Penn'a College seem to be circulating petitions promiscuously.

Though *B Θ II* has a constitution which forbids the initiation of preps, she has gotten into trouble at Ohio Wesleyan for doing this same thing. As the fraternity brags somewhat over its less fortunate brethren, it should discipline the youthful proclivities of its Delaware chapter in form at least.

Illinois Industrial Institute has now passed anti-fraternity laws through the Board of Trustees. This cuts off a chapter of *Σ X* which was organized a year, also one of *B Θ II*, and prevents *Φ Γ Δ* organizing, though she had twelve men pledged through an initiate member who was attending college there.

Of the 130 men initiated into fraternities at Stevens' Institute during the ten years of its existence, *Θ Ξ* has forty-eight, *Δ T Δ* forty-five, and *B Θ II* has thirty-seven. *Θ Ξ* has now an active membership of thirteen, *Δ T Δ* nine, *B Θ II* fifteen. Little as yet can be said of the new fraternities. *A T Ω* has made a start with seven members, two sophomores, four freshmen and one prep, and is universally regarded as having entered under very poor auspices, owing to the careless and indifferent manner in which the scheme was carried out. A chapter of Zeta Psi is about to be instituted, the Rutgers chapter having the matter in hand. It is generally believed that efforts are also making to establish a chapter of the Sigma Chi fraternity, hence lively competition among the newcomers is anticipated.

The second day's session of the Zeta Psi fraternity was held at the Vanderbilt House, Syracuse, N. Y., January 5. There were 175 members present. The day was devoted to secret matters appertaining to the fraternity at large. The convention adjourned at four o'clock to meet at Boston, Mass., together with the Kappa and Lambda chapters of Tufts and Bowdoin Colleges, on January 4th and 5th, 1883. In the evening the annual banquet was held at the Vanderbilt House. Speeches were made by Judge Samuel B. Sumner, of Connecticut; Chief-Justice Niles, of California, and Dr. Gallatin, of New York. The following are the officers of the Grand Chapter for the ensuing year: Augustus Van Wyck, of New York; Edwin N. Benson, of Philadelphia; S. A. Chapin, of San Francisco; D. Cady Gere, of Sy-

racuse; Charles B. Everson, of Syracuse; and E. A. Duryea, of Brooklyn.

There are seven fraternities now represented at Brown, six of these being secret and one open. The Beta Chapter of the Delta Phi fraternity, which has been inactive here for several years, reappeared lately. It has twelve men enrolled from the junior, sophomore and freshmen classes. The Delta Upsilon, (open society,) is in a flourishing condition. The following list gives the societies in the order of their establishment at Brown, and the number of men in each: Alpha Delta Phi, 22; Delta Phi, 12; Psi Upsilon, 16; Beta Theta Pi, 30; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 19; Chi Phi, 10.

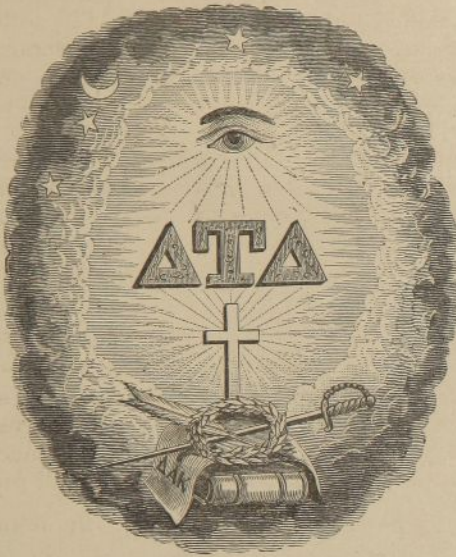
The union dinner of the chapters of the Brown, Harvard and Boston Universities Beta Theta Pi fraternity, under the auspices of the Brown chapter, will be given on Friday evening, Jan. 13, at the Hotel Narragansett, Providence. Judge Carpenter, of New Hampshire, will preside.

As an interesting item we cite the following from Mr. Baird's book. Speaking of the dissolution of *Δ T Δ*, at Ohio Wesleyan, in 1874, he says: "One cannot characterize in too strong terms the way this chapter was dissolved. Certain of the members united together, sold out the property of the fraternity in their possession, and a number of them joined another fraternity. Such an act has never happened before or since in the annals of the college fraternities. Deserters have been common enough, but have never, except in this case, been accompanied by embezzlement and theft. *Δ T Δ* was well rid of such members."

The item derives its peculiar interest from the fact that the *Δ T Δ*'s here mentioned all joined *B Θ II* and some of them have since become prominent in her general work. Mr. Baird is now a *B Θ II*, and at almost any general convention he is liable to meet with these men whom he has branded as "embezzlers" and perpetrators of theft. He says *Δ T Δ* was well rid of such members; but what of *B Θ II* who took them with such a demonstrative embrace as was witnessed in November of 1874, at Ohio Wesleyan? It was done with a "flourish of trumpets" and for several years the foremost men in *B Θ II*'s Θ Chapter were the alleged "embezzlers" and perpetrators of theft. This is a hard saying of Mr. Baird's, and the brethren ought to persuade him to withdraw his cruel words in his new edition, even though the reason for their withdrawal would be very transparent. It will be interesting to see what he does.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

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In sending in communications for THE CRESCENT, the Brothers will please see to it that they put on sufficient postage.

WE received a very interesting article from Bro. Trautwein just too late for publication in this issue. It will retain its interest, however, until the publication of the February number.

WE think it is high time we were doing something toward the publication of our Song Book. The matter has been placed in the hands of Chapter Tau and she has sent out to all the different chapters requests for contributions, but as yet she has received none. This is not very encouraging to Chapter Tau, as she wishes to have the book published by the end of this college year. Brace up Brothers, send in your contributions, and let us have a song book.

WE have received the sad intelligence of the death of Brother Park Valentine of 17'80, who, with his young bride perished on the the 13th inst. in the Hudson river R. R. disaster. Brother Valentine was married on the 12th to Miss Louisa Gaylor, of North Adams, Mass, and they were just starting on their wedding tour when they met their untimely fate. Brother Valentine was one of the charter members of chapter Upsilon, and its prosperity is in a great measure due to his efforts. A genial, whole-souled fellow, he evinced by his every action that he was a loyal, enthusiastic Delta. He was devotedly attached to his chapter and his fraternity, and heart and hand were ever ready to further the cause he loved so well.

"WE understand the Δ T Δ's have kindly offered all the aid in their power, so we would call their attention to one fact: The faculty in their sworn answer to the complaints, alleged that the tendency of fraternities is injurious and hurtful. Prof. C. S. Ingersoll, one of the faculty who swore to the above statement claims to be a Δ T Δ. The fraternity would kindly oblige us by ascertaining the cause of defection."—Σ X's correspondent from Purdue University.

In regard to the above we would say that Δ T Δ hopes always to be on terms of friendship with Σ X as a fraternity, but she has come to the conclusion that her expressions of sympathy for that particular chapter at Purdue were rashly uttered, and before the facts of the case were fully known. We have on perfectly reliable authority, that the question of whether a fraternity is a good or bad thing does not now, nor has it ever entered into the suits in which Purdue has been involved lately, so that our brother, Professor Ingersoll, who by the way not only claims to be, but is a most enthusiastic Delta, has had no occasion to place himself on record as a fraternity man. Should the necessity come we have perfect confidence as to where he will be found. From the fact that there are five members of Purdue's faculty fraternity men, many persons will probably come to

the conclusion that ΣX at that college does not rightly represent the fraternity world. As to why fraternities are prohibited from entering Purdue, it not our province nor desire to discuss. It is sufficient to say that the Board of Trustees and Faculty are in duty bound by their charter to keep the institution an industrial one; the regular fraternities are almost wholly confined to classical institutions, and their influence is always in that direction. They say in a circular recently issued: "Make Purdue a classical college and the faculty will promptly repeal the fraternity rule." This cannot be done as Indiana has already one classical State College, and cannot support two. Under these circumstances we cannot understand why any fraternity should desire to organize at Purdue University.

A FEW FRANK WORDS.

An article in the last number of the *Sigma Chi* pretends to give a history of fraternity journalism, which, if estimated by that part which refers to Phi Delta Theta, is considerably below par. The writer displays a lamentable ignorance of the *Scroll's* history, not seeming to know that it first appeared as a quarterly magazine, and was thus issued during a couple of years. The *Scroll* was perhaps the second fraternity organ.

As to the statement, in the article mentioned, with regard to the character of the *Scroll*, it is simply but emphatically not true. The *Scroll* has been unwarrantably and perhaps maliciously slandered by about every fraternity journal, dead or existing; the cause of it being a squib which originally appeared in the Delta Tau Delta organ and which went the rounds of the Greek journals. That squib was false, as we have documentary evidence to prove. As the *Scroll* has not heretofore exchanged with other organs, a statement of facts in our columns has been deemed useless.—Phi Delta Theta *Scroll* for November.

The above clipping we cut from *The Scroll* some months ago, and have been somewhat undecided what to do about it for this reason: We

always have and do still maintain that *one fraternity should hold the secrets of another fraternity as inviolable as its own*, and as $\Phi \Delta \theta$ desired to keep *The Scroll* *sub rosa* we have refrained heretofore almost entirely from clipping anything from it, yet at the same time considering it as our duty in the position of Editor-in-Chief of THE CRESCENT, in whose hands is placed the defense of $\Delta T \Delta$ against the calumnies of other journals, to become acquainted with the contents of *The Scroll* for each month. While considering this as a duty incumbent on our position, we would at the same time condemn any other member of the fraternity not connected with the editorial corps for doing the same thing. After considerable sober thought on the matter we have arrived at the conclusion that an article like the above should be noticed by us for the reason that *The Scroll* being *sub rosa* it seems a great deal like striking a man behind his back, and not coming out frankly and to his face. Probably the serpents on $\Phi \Delta \theta$'s coat of arms may indicate this kind of warfare, but we hope not. And now frankly, friend Troxell, the idea of trying to make THE CRESCENT bear the burden of all the sins of *The Scroll* as the cause of its being "maliciously slandered by about every fraternity journal" is a little more than we can bear. We are not the cause of it Brother Greek—far from it. The real cause is the appearance in that paper of such paragraphs as calling the *B \theta II* at Miss. Univ. "the most detestable set of fellows that were ever in the University, and we pride ourselves on being the best fraternity here, and can find none who will gainsay the assertion."—*Scroll* for Nov. 1881, Miss. Alpha correspondent.

"Our committee badges attract much attention especially from envious Delta Taus."—*Scroll* for June 1881, Ill. Delta correspondent.

"The appearance of *The Shield* last year was such as to suggest for it the name of "The Phi Kappa Psi Sunday-school paper."—*Scroll* Nov. 1881.

"A Chi Psi" from Wofford College is organizing a Chapter at Vanderbilt University. He is

selecting the rowdy element among the students."—Scroll for Nov. 1881.

"The charter of the chapter (of *B Θ Π*) at Trinity University, Texas, was withdrawn on the pretext that the institution had degenerated but really because Phi Delta Theta had worsted Beta Theta Pi so badly there." Scroll for Nov. 1881.

"A crowd at Michigan U. last year got a Delta Tau Delta charter but they have quit wearing their pins." Scroll for Nov. 1880.

It is such paragraphs as these and many other similar ones that have placed the *Scroll* in such an unenviable position. Now we know that the excuse generally given is that the *Scroll* being *sub rosa* is similar to a private correspondence; but to expect that you can print several hundred copies of a paper and distribute them among the members of a college fraternity throughout the States without allowing other boys to get hold of them and possess themselves of their contents is perfectly absurd.

In regard to your slur on our chapter at Michigan University. It is unnecessary for us to pronounce it false, for the reputation of your paper stamps it as such without the necessity of even a denial on our part. We are not of a betting character, yet if any one would offer it we would be willing to go two to one that there are no rattles on the tails of the serpents displayed on your coat of arms, because you never warn before you strike. A rattlesnake always does. Now we started out to be frank and mild in this article and if we warmed up slightly as we copied off the slur on our chapter Delta, it was nothing more than human nature. We would like to be at peace with all the fraternity organs but "*nemo me impune lacessit*."

SPECIAL TO THE CRESCENT.

Psi To The Front.

WOOSTER, O., January 22d, 1882.

In the primary contest Bro. Charles Krichbaum was chosen to represent Wooster at the State Oratorical Contest.

ALUMNI NEWS.

J. Lockard (*Ψ '80*) is traveling in the Western Territories.

F. W. Pierpont (*I B '83*) is in the revenue service of West Virginia.

John Overholser (*I B '80*) is principal of schools at Spring Valley, O.

Prof. E. J. Walker (*I B '78*) is becoming quite popular as a lecturer on Education and Elocution.

S. C. Zeasing (old *I '78*) is engineering the grading of the P. F. W. & C. R. R. in the vicinity of Wooster, Ohio.

W. A. Robinson (*I B '81*) has accepted the chair of Latin and Greek in the Jefferson Academy, Canonsburg, Pa.

Jacob K. Griffith, (*N '78*) is filling the position of Metallurgist and Chemist at the Midvale Steel Works, Nicetown, Pa.

Robert Robinson, a member of the Jefferson College chapter, '62, is a prominent physician and druggist in East Brady, Pa.

Godlove S. Orth is chairman of the Congressional Committee on civil service. Gen. Browne is chairman of Invalid Pensions.

L. K. Murton (*Θ '72*) rejoices in the possession of a bright boy whom he hopes some day will become a good Delta. May his hope be realized.

J. A. Fordyce (*I B '78*) is now managing physician of the Chicago City Hospital. He obtained the position in a competitive examination over fifteen others.

Harvey Bates Fatout, (old *Θ '73*) is corresponding secretary of the Association of County Surveyors and Civil Engineers of the State of Indiana, which met on January 17th at Indianapolis.

Dr. Richard Gundry, (*B*) superintendent of the Spring Grove Insane Asylum, Baltimore, has recently been appointed to the chair of Materia Medica and Therapeutics in the college of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore.

John P. Finley (*I* '73) is connected with the Signal Service and is stationed at Washington, D. C. Bro. Finley has immediate charge of *The Monthly Weather Review* published by the S. S. Corps.

Our Rev. Bro. Ned. Locke, (*A* '80,) was kindly remembered by his congregation on Christmas. They presented him with a purse of thirty dollars and a handsome gold watch. Ned. is evidently appreciated by his flock.

Hon. George C. Sturgiss (old *A* '65) is practicing law in Morgantown, W. Va. Bro. Sturgiss was Republican candidate for Governor of West Virginia in '80. He made a gallant fight but the odds were too heavy in that stronghold of Democracy. He was initiated at the Morgantown Academy Chapter, now extinct.

"W. A. Dunshee, Esq., a Pittsburgh lawyer has purchased the *McKeesport Times*,"—*Pittsburgh Leader*. Bro. Dunshee, (*I* '71) is also a legal reporter on the *Pittsburgh Legal Journal*. Out of twenty reporters, *A T A* counts Bros. Dunshee and Watson of *I*, and Bros. Montooth and Petty of *E B*.

Arthur Throop has invented an important improvement for the telephone, which takes away the metallic sound, makes it more distinct, and adds to the distance over which it will work. He will patent it. Mr. Throop is apparently entering upon a career that will make him famous.—*Greencastle Ind. Banner*.

Bro. Throop is a member of the old Omicron Chapter class '80.

RHO.

'76. John W. Wallis has recently been transferred to the Motive Power Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Altoona, Pa.

'77. William J. Cooper, is book keeper for the State Bank of Newark N. J.

'81. Charles A. Gifford is an architectural draughtsman, 57 Broadway, New York.

'80. Theodore A. Elliott is draughting for John T. Noyes & Sons, Mill Engineers, Buffalo N. Y.

'80. Geo. M. Bond has permanently returned from Boston and can again be found at 88 Church Street, Hartford, Conn.

'80. John M. Ewen was recently elected a member of the New York Cotton Exchange.

'81. James B. Ladd has returned from the Atlanta Cotton Exposition and can be addressed at 935 Spruce street, Philadelphia, Pa.

'81. Joe Tracy is busy planning his shop. His address is 25th and Church streets, San Francisco, California.

GAMMA.

'65. Geo. W. Fleming is a practicing physician in Shelbyville, Indiana.

'66. Rev. R. H. Fulton is pastor of a large Presbyterian congregation in Baltimore, Md. Can be found at No. 5 Lloyd St.

'66. Joseph Moreland is a very successful attorney in Morgantown, W. Va.

'81. Al. Braden has just returned from a surveying tour in W. Va.

'68. Rev. L. M. Gilleland is minister and pastor of a Presbyterian congregation in Zanesville, O.

'67. W. B. Sutton is president judge of Oneida Co., New York. He was elected in 1880.

'71. Jno. F. Sweeny is in the queensware business, and is located in Wheeling, W. Va.

NU.

'78. J. K. Griffith is at present connected with the Metallurgical Department at the Midvale Steel Co., at Nicetown, Philadelphia, Pa.

'78. Chas. B. Forney is engaged at Lebanon, Pa., in the construction of two blast furnaces which, when completed, will be among the finest in the country.

'78. E. D. Allen is engaged in the mercantile business at Franklin, Pa.

'78. Bro. H. A. Smith, when last heard of was teller in the Newtown, Pa., Bank.

'78. C. M. Hileman is deputy clerk of the Courts of Dauphin County, Pa.



ALPHA LOCALS.

Bro. Day, of the *Akron Beacon*, visited us recently.

Bro. Hallock, one of Alpha's former boys, visited us a short time since.

Bro. Decker has been spending a few weeks with us also.

W. B. Best spent the holidays with Harry Flood in Oil City.

Bro. Will Jackson spent part of his vacation with Bro. Harry Patterson, in Cleveland.

W. J. Hoover was called to Franklin a few days ago on account of the serious illness of his grandfather.

$\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ is regarded as the *balance wheel* of Allegheny college. Cor. for *Phi Gamma Delta*. But $\Delta T \Delta$ is the *fly-wheel* of the college.

In the Keystone declamation contest of Allegheny Literary Society, which took place the latter part of last term, Bro. Richmond carried off the prize. Last year Bro. Watson took the same prize. This prize has been won a greater number of times by members of our fraternity than any other, if not all the others combined.

The present term starts out very favorably, and as we look back over the past term, we find much to congratulate ourselves upon. We have been ably represented in all the different departments of the college, and have initiated seven men into the mysteries of $\Delta T \Delta$, all of whom are the best in the college. The retrospect is very pleasant and the future looks bright and cheerful.

FIRST GRAND DIVISION.

CHAPTER TAU.

The following marriage notice, clipped from the *Chronicle and News*, of Allentown, Pa., will no doubt be read with interest by the boys of Tau, who knew Bro. Lawfer while at college:

LAWFER—SAEGER.—On the 1st inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 526 Hamilton street, by Rev. R. Hill, Mr. John N. Lawfer to Miss Irene C. Saeger, all of this city.

Bro. Lawfer was a member of the class of '82, but left college to enter his father's store as a partner.

After a short vacation we have again assembled to begin the duties of a new year.

All the boys (with the exception of "Bug,") returned on good time. His excuse was that he was having a "daisy" time, and could not be torn away so soon.

Our seniors are now gazing into the misty future to see what awaits them there; with one hand twirling their moustaches, (?) the other reaches for that long worked for sheep skin.

Julius A. Herold, '82, visited Bro. Heisler during the Xmas vacation. He reports having met several of Mu's boys.

J. Harry Geissinger, '80, has returned to his home in Huntingdon, Pa., after quite a lengthy visit to Lancaster.

As there are at present several Delta Tau's attending the University of Pa., besides there being several others in Philadelphia, we would suggest to them to look each other up. This meeting would be pleasant in many respects.

Tau anxiously awaits the visit of Nu's six seniors. Boys, we have a good time in store for you.

SECOND GRAND DIVISION.

THE MU.

The Deltas have marshalled once more at Delaware for the term's work. Their faces are radiant with the new life drawn from the familiar

scenes of home. Everything looks favorable for growth in Deltaism. Every Mu boy is at his post, and sends greetings to every Delta brother—or sister.

Bro. A. L. Herrlinger, of Kenyon, has visited us, and made the beginning of this term bright and cheerful with his presence and words.

In the last issue of the CRESCENT I referred to a forthcoming preliminary oratorical contest. It has taken place, and two Deltas are the victors—C. E. Jefferson, first honors; B. F. McElfresh, second. C. E. Jefferson represents the O. W. U. in the state oratorical contest next February.

On Dec. 19, Mu had the pleasure of welcoming Bro. Decker of Alpha, class '81. He was here on business, but persuasions and attractions induced him to stay two nights with us. Bro. Decker is a jolly Delta.

As one who notes the pulse of chapter Mu, I am called upon to write the marriage of Bro. Marion L. Burnham and Miss Lizzie Cheney. The marriage was of special interest to us from the fact that the bridegroom is a former member of Mu, and the bride is the sister of two of Mu's present members. The day after college closed last term, twelve of our fourteen boys took the train for Mechanicsburg, Ohio, where the bride lives. Early in the evening the friends and relations of the couple began to fill the Cheney mansion, bringing gifts numerous and valuable. After the marriage ceremony the moments passed pleasantly and rapidly, while the guests revelled in conversation, music and feasting. Under such propitious circumstances another Delta launched his frail bark upon the matrimonial sea. Next!

THETA.

DEAR CRESCENT:—A happy New Year to you and all enlisted under your banner.

Had it not been for some brother more observing than some others, it would have escaped notice, that the communications from your correspondents must reach you before the 15th of each month, and consequently there would have been a profound silence on the part of Theta.

Now, this would have been too bad to cut us off from handing in evidence of *our* good resolutions along with the rest.

Our national and other *conventions* are intended in a great measure to stir up all the innate loyalty of each and every brother, but when anything can be found which can do this more effectually than writing to old Alumni, produce it!

Our card directed to Bro. Buchanan at Cincinnati failed to reach *him*, but in due time an answer came back from Bro. W. E. Tugman, of Beta, saying that Bro. Buchanan had gone west, and "his brother reigned in his stead." Who does not feel encouraged when he finds where one Delta steps out another steps in?

Let me state for Bro. Bruck's benefit that his work was too interesting to allow me to write to *him*.

Yours fraternally,

J. C. ATKINS.

THIRD GRAND DIVISION.

ZETA BETA.

There are quite a number of new students in college this term.

The court went against the Purdue fraternity boys. The case will, very likely, be appealed to the Supreme Court.

Bros. Boyle and Kelsey were with us Thanksgiving. Their visit was celebrated in the old Delta style.

This has been a good year for the fraternities here. There have been some lively contests for men in which we have gained our share of glory.

Bro. Ward is not in school this term.

Bro. Hamilton, of Phi, paid us a short visit near the close of last term. He reports Phi as prospering. Chapter Phi besides being our only companion, so to speak, in this State is the nearest one to us, and it always makes our boys feel "bully" to hear good reports from her.

Bro. L. O. Phillips has recovered from his attack of typhoid fever, but will not be in school again until next year.

Bair's Hotel at Parker City, Pa., was burned on the night of January 8th. Add. has our sympathy.

Fraternally,

E. I. P.

THE EPSILON.

DEAR CRESCENT:—In as much as our communication was not printed last month, please give us a short space in which to answer the numerous letters which we receive concerning our boys.

Bro. C. A. French is in the printing business running the *Saturday Evening Post* at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mara Bacon is teaching school at Springport, Mich.

Bro. Wealch is head clerk in one of the largest dry goods store in Albion.

Bros. Swarthout of class '81 and Brodecamp, of class '80 are attending school at Ann Arbor.

We took in three new members last term whom the *Δ*'s maywell be proud of, and expect to take in more this term.

We make it a point to do good solid fraternity work at each meeting. We have a great deal of extempore work and each Brother after having been a Delta for a few weeks feels stronger in every respect.

FOURTH GRAND DIVISION.

THE XI.

DEAR CRESCENT:—I send you a few notes from Xi, though my last letter did not find a place in your columns.

We mourn the death of George Arthur Kern—he was accidentally shot. It is the first death among the brothers of our chapter.

Our catalogue list is almost complete.

Our college opened Jan. 4.

Bro. R. O. Miller, '85, took the train on the 4th instant, enroute for the scene of action. The boys will heartily welcome him.

Xi had her annual banquet at the close of last spring term, but nevertheless she regaled herself

on roast venison, at the close of last term. Bro. Collins, '83, of Darlington, D. T. in the fullness of his love for Xi, knowing the failings of the brothers that they were often regaling themselves on bologna, sent us forty pounds of venison hams. Now the excess of ham was in proportion to Bro. Ralph's heartfelt desire for the boys to have enough. December 17 was appointed as the fitting time at which to attack the hams with tooth and nail. Dec. 17, eight o'clock p. m., found the Everett hall, a hall adjoining the *Δ* hall, filled with *Δ* boys and *Δ* girls.

Bro. Wilder, '81, and McClure, '79, were with us, as were Bros. Baker, '78; Consey, '83, of Knoxville; H. G. Smith, '86, of Ahewa; Badley, '86, of Berington; Kennedy, '83, of Milo; and Miller, '85, of Norwood. Bro. Kelly, our worthy president, called the assembly to order and opened the session; it was an open session and terminated by the initiation of Fred Denmon into the 1st degree of Deltaism.

The ladies, of course, were convinced that they knew all about the mysteries of *Δ T Δ*.

At 11 o'clock we adjourned to the fraternity hall for supper. I cannot describe the scene, but I will give an outline. The *Δ* fraternity has a reputation for surprises I think. This one was in keeping. Suspended from the ceiling and forming a rectangle were forty-two paper buckets filled with all the luxuries and delicacies our town affords and capped by roast venison. Forty smiling faces gave relish to forty appetites. After the dessert had been served, those buckets began to vibrate like pendulums, and woe to the unlucky one. Bro. Kennedy read some selections from the *Δ* Peg and the feast of viands and wit ended. It was a noticeable fact that none of the *Δ*'s partook of the club hash next morning.

It is said that the day god caught them hugging Morpheus.

The term just closed has been a prosperous one for us. Harmony marked our meetings and it was a sore occurrence for a brother to be absent.

N. B. ASHBY.

THE NEW CATALOGUE.

Editor Crescent:—Dear Bro. Delta, I should like to call the attention of the Chapters of the Fraternity to the fact that their lists of members are now becoming due. As the Catalogue Committee has a good deal of information to obtain even after the chapter lists are all in, the chapters are earnestly requested to forward at once the material thus far collected, indicating what names are still in doubt, or have not been heard from. Future corrections or additions can be made as soon as obtained by sending to the undersigned, thus enabling the lists to be as correct as though kept for weeks long in the hands of the chapters.

The committee has been very much gratified by the way in which many of the older members have tendered their assistance to us in the matter we have in hand, and we trust that any Deltas who feel themselves in a position to locate any of the members of the fraternity, and especially those of now defunct chapters will volunteer their assistance as soon as possible.

Fraternally,
H. T. BRUCK.

OBITUARY.

DEAR CRESCENT;—A letter from Bro. James Parker notified chapter Phi of the short illness, followed by the death of his cousin and our brother, Charley Parker, class '85. Charley entered college last year, and after being here but a short time, was compelled to give up his studies on account of weak eyes. He went from here to Cincinnati to have his eyes treated by Dr. Williams, and was ordered by that physician to give up his studies for one year. This decided him to return to his home at Georgetown, Ohio, and stay upon his father's farm. On Dec. 20, he was prostrate, with brain fever and in one short week his parents and friends were weeping over his remains. In consideration of our loss chapter Phi has adopted the following:

WHEREAS, In the course of his Divine Providence, God has deemed it wise to call from our midst our worthy brother, Chas. Parker, whose abode with us was long enough to awaken a feeling of love and regard in every frater's heart, and

WHEREAS, Feeling that in Brother Parker's death, Chapter Phi, Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, has sustained a loss which will ever be felt on the part of the present members, therefore be it

Resolved, That, as a proper testimony of regard and brotherly feeling toward our dead frater, Chapter Phi will for thirty days from date wear crape and invert her badges.

Resolved, That as a testimony of our sincere sympathy, a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family.

Resolved, That to let each member of our glorious brotherhood know of our loss a copy of these resolutions be sent for publication to THE CRESCENT.

Resolved, That a copy also be placed upon the minutes of Chapter Phi.

Signed,
C. A. SMITH,
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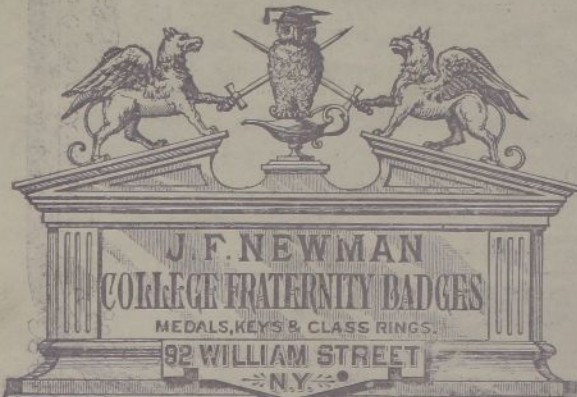
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