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CONVENTION.

The XXVI Convention of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity will be held at Watkins' Glen, N. Y., August 20, 21 and 22, 1884. The officers of the Convention are: *President*, Rev. Benj. F. Dimmick; *Vice-President*, Wm. W. Cook; *Secretary*, J. W. McLane; *Orator*, Hon. William B. Sutton; *Poet*, John R. Scott; *Historian*, A. P. Trautwein; *Song Writer*, C. M. Snyder.

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*Amicitia nisi inter bonos esse
non potest—CICERO.*



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

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THE DEAD STUDENT.

From Farm Festivals, by WILL CARLTON, published by Harper Bros.

It doesn't seem—now does it, Jack—as if poor Brown were dead;

'Twas only yesterday at noon he had to take his bed.
The day before he played first base, and ran M'Farland down;
And then, to slip away so sly,—'twas not at all like Brown.

The story seems too big to take 'Most any one will find
It's sometimes hard to get a man well laid out in his mind.
And Brown was just afire with life. 'Twouldn't scare me, I
avow,

To hear a whoop, and see the man go rushing past here now.

Poor Brown! he's lying in his room, as white as drifted snow.
I called upon him, as it were, an hour or two ago.
A-rashing into Brownie's room seemed awkward-like and
queer;

We haven't spoken back and forth for something like a year.

We didn't pull together square a single night or day;
Howe'er I went he soon contrived to find another way.
He ran against me in my loves: we picked a dozen bones
About that girl you used to like, - the one that married Jones.

He worked against me in the class, before my very eyes.
He opened up and scooped me square out of the Junior prize.
In the last campus rush we came to strictly business blows,
And from the eye he left undimmed I viewed his damaged
nose.

In fact, I came at last to feel - and own it with dismay—
That life would be worth living for, if Brown were out the
way.

But when I heard that he was dead, my feelings tacked; and
then

I would have given half my life to get his back again.

I called upon him, as it were, an hour or two ago.
The room was neat beyond excuse,—the women made it so.
Be sure *he* had no hand in that, and naught about it knew,
To see the order lying 'round had made him very blue.

A sweet bouquet of girlish flowers smiled in the face of Death.
Straight through the open window came the morning's fragrant
breath.

Close caged, a small canary bird, with glossy, yellow throat,
Skipped drearily from perch to perch, and never sung a note.

With hair unusually combed, sat poor M'Farland near,
Alternately perusing Greek, and wrestling with a tear.
A homely little girl of six, for some old kindness' sake,
Was sobbing in the corner there as if her heart would break.

The books looked worn and wretched-like, almost as if they
knew,

And seemed to be a-whispering their titles to my view.
His rod and gun were in their place; and high, where all
might see,

Gleamed jauntily the boating-cup he won last year from me.

I lifte! up the solemn sheet That honest, earnest face
Showed signs of culture and of toil that death could not erase.
As western skies at twilight mark where late the sun has been,
Brown's face revealed the mind and soul that once had
burned within.

He looked so grandly helpless there, upon that lonely bed!
Oh, Jack! these manly foes are foes no more when they are
dead!

"Old boy," I sobbed, "'twas half my fault. This heart
makes late amends."

I took the white cold hands in mine,—and Brown and I were
friends.

CAPTAIN KIDD'S MONEY.

BY CHAS. M. SNYDER—ALPHA, '88.

'Twas in the State of Florida, the sultriest of weather
Had scorched us into lassitude for weeks and months to-
gether;

No rain had touched the thirsty soil in all this stretch of
time,

And all the products of the place were ripe before their
prime.

Some vagrant clouds would, for a space, obscure the scorch-
ing sun,

And little drops would fall, and cease ere they had well
begun;

The oranges and lemons were most beautiful to see,
Turned golden in beginning growth, beguiled deceitfully.

The pine tree needles, scorched and brown, were falling to
the ground,

So thickly that but little grass was visible around,

And feeding easily on these, by little eddies blown,

The fire roared through the forest with a whirlwind of its
own

Here, three of us, tired of the North and its financial stress,
Hearing of fortunes to be made down in this wilderness,
Beguiled by some prospectus, unexcelled in modern fiction,
For freaks of fancy unrestrained and its persuasive diction.

Took up a quarter section and started quite a clearing,
And fancied that the climax of our enterprise was nearing—
When we saw a row of cabbage in the scorching sun expand,
And a sickly bed of onions thinly struggling to a stand.

In such a state of circumstance, what wonder if we tried !
To find some entertainment from our enterprise, aside ;
So recalling all the mischief of the good old college days,
We cast about us with a view, some devilry to raise.

Well, near us on a clearing, lived a negro and his wife,
Engaged, when crops were backward, in a never ending
strife ;

And, sometimes, when the argument got most too hot for him,
We'd have a lengthy visit from the vanquished negro Jim.

On such occasions, sadly, he would give vent to his mind
And say, "I 'clar now, but I 'spises all fusses ob dis kind,
But wen I 'nos dat I is right, I ain't a'gwine ter stop,
'Till I'se busted up de meetin' an' come out on de top!"

"'Sides dat, I 'nos de argyment is boun' ter make a squall,
W'en Sal git's pokin' langidge wid de broomstick an' de
maul ;

I 'lows dat she is druv me from de cabin ober dar,
But den she doan know nuffin', an' doan know it, I declare."

Well ; Jim had always been to us, a butt of harmless sport,
A simple-minded darkie, of the old plantation sort,
With quaint saws of philosophy and negro dialect,
Which make the gray-heads of the race unique in this respect.

Now, if you wish to interest a darkies whole attention,
Begin to get mysterious, and darken your invention,
Look all around uneasily, as though you feared to gaze
On apparitions, from your tale before you raise.

Accompanied by gestures of the sort he understands,
Such as turning up the eye-balls, and a tremor of the hands,
Uneasy shufflings of the feet, with shakings of the head,
And then—according to their phraze, "You'll shuly hab
him dead."

Well ; in a work of fiction we had read awhile before,
We had met the unsolved problem, of traditionary lore ;
The treasure inexhaustible of Pirate Captain Kidd,
The fruitless efforts made to find the spot where it was hid.

This, we'd rehearsed to Jim, with such embellishments as we
Supposed would work the easiest on his credulity,
And we had vaguely hinted, that we thought it could be
found

In fact, were sure that it was in the neighborhood around.

And when we told him we were bound to hunt that very
treasure,

He begged to join the enterprise, excited beyond measure.
At first we seemed unwilling, and then gradually relented,
And made the negro joyful, when we finally consented.

'Twas food for cynicism then, to witness all the speed
He made to join the enterprise, influenced by his greed.
His lethargy habitual was quickly thrown aside,
As golden dollars in his dreams, like magic multiplied.

For usually he was the last to lend a helping hand,
And energy, a spirit that he couldn't understand,
Or volunteers in nature's way, which straggled from the soil,
He seemed to thrive amazingly, beyond the need of toil.

To this event however, he brought new lease of life,
And left, inventing protests for his absence, to his wife,
Whilst we prepared the treasure in a heavy iron pot,
And bore it where the forest hid a dark and lonely spot.

A dark and lonely spot indeed, for overhead there clung
Tangled festoons of Spanish moss, light in the breezes swung,
One riven tree that leaned aside rasped on each severed part,
And ghostly pantomimes of limbs, sent tremors to the heart.

All this, beheld and heard at night, with just a glimpse of
moon

In nervous intervals, to part the tangled moss festoon,
With other ghostly fellow sounds, to misery inclined,
For every vagary conceived, prepared the tangled mind.

The treasure was a mixture of rivets, bolts and bars,
And bits of gilt edged china from some ruined fancy jars,
Whilst thirty old brass buttons, scoured into a shiny bright,
Shone, scattered in amongst the dross, with a deceiving light.

We dug a pit beneath the oak, and then the metal hid,
And put some powder and a fuse beneath the kettle lid,
Arranged in such a manner that in case the fuse was lit,
Ther'd be a slight commotion in the bottom of the pit.

Then carefully returning all the excavated soil,
And srewing leaves about the spot, to hide all signs of toil,
We shot three bullets in the oak to serve us as a mark,
And got back to the cabin, just as it was turning dark.
We waited for an hour without a sign of Jim,
Fearful, lest something should, occur to spoil our sport with him,

And just as we were starting then, to see what could be done,
He burst in through the cabin door and tossed aside a gun.

"Dar now," said he, referring to the rifle on the floor,
"Jest lay dar now, I hasn't any use for yo' no moah,
You see it's in de risin' ob de bressed harves' moon,
A shuly time, says I to Sal, fer 'possum or de 'coon.

She tuck, she did, and swalley'd all I tole her, but if she
Get on to what Ise done t'night, the good Lawd pity me,
I'll hab ter take ter libin' in de woods till Sal gets cool,
So doan yo' boys let out on me, an' make me out a fool."

So reassured by promise, he soon forgot his dread,
And turned his energy upon our present freak instead,
But we almost discouraged him, for in his arms he bore,
Of picks, shovels and the like an hundred weight or more,
Our cautious tread and backward looks impressed the darkie's mind

With all we wished of mystery and terror undefined,
And when we reached the creaking oak, and moss hung over-head,

The sound, and sight, and trembling light filled all his mind
with dread.

Yet when we told him, hereabouts the golden treasure lay,
He braced up in a moment then, and made a brave display,
And presently, as if by chance, we found the bullets three,
And told him Captain Kidd had shot them in that very tree.

"Now Jim, remember if you speak aloud one single word,
And it should be by the Old Nick one moment overheard,
Then something will occur, remember what I say,
For here's the spot and there a spade—Now darkie dig away."

At first we dreaded lest he might, in unresisting soil
See some suspicious evidence, of all our previous toil,
But what the usual cleverness is not the standard, when
Some all absorbing mania moves the frenzied minds of men.

And so, on this occasion too, it was with negro Jim,
Who dug away oblivious, and kept a silence grim,
But we had calculated in self forgetful yell
From Jim, the moment that his eyes upon the kettle fell.

In this event we'd fire the fuse, and what would then transpire
Would make the darkie think Old Nick had come wrapped
up in fire.

Nor were we disappointed, for, forgetful of the spell
Jim cried aloud: "Ise got him shuah," then gave an awful yell.

We lit the fuse—a flash—a groan, and Jim, Oh! where was he,

For not the slightest trace of him, could any of us see,
Until we heard the under-brush go snapping underfoot,
And then a sudden heavy thud of contact with a root.

Then next a stammering stuttering voice made havoc in the ear.

"Oh! bressed Lawd hab marcy on dis wicked sinnah heah,
Oh! sabe me massa Jesus, sabe—Oh! sabe me I imploah,
An' den I swars, Oh! Lawd, dat I'll nebber lie no moah.

I'll nebber hab no words with Sal, I'll 'splain about dis night,
An' let 'er bang, and trust the Lawd to make the mattah right.

I'll nebber, nebber"—here a yell of laughter from the three
Broke up poor Jim's revival in a way most droll to see.

When he had first gone in the pit, there was a trace of gray
In kinky intervals of hair, suggestive of decay,
But all the silver of his crown the flash had burned from him,
And if black was any index, had rejuvenated Jim.

It does not matter what we said, suffice it though that we
By clever hints, aroused again his fierce cupidity,
Then creeping slowly back again, he went into the pit,
Took off the lid, beheld the brass, and shook at sight of it.

And in the dubious glimmer of a sooty lantern's glare,
Which caught the polished buttons, and made them sparkle there,

He gathered handfuls of the stuff with avaricious greed,
And 'twas a most delusive sight which met his eyes indeed.

Then soon he had the metal all gathered in a sack,
And clambered out and put the load across his bending back,
And homeward staggered, for the weight most rent poor Jim
in twain,

For he tugged, and swore, and sweated, till he saw his hut again.

When we told him he might keep it for the balance of the night,

His eyes began to twinkle with a speculative light,
And then we watched him till he got it safe within the door,
And heard him drop it with a thud upon the cabin floor.

Now I might dwell upon, of course, the darkie's great surprise
When he emptied out his treasure there, before his greedy eyes,

Might speak of explanations, which he made to Sal in vain,
And tell the length of time before we gazed on Jim again.

It will answer every purpose when I say that down his face,
It seemed as if some one had tried a county map to trace,
His leftward eye was swollen to a small volcanic peak,
And his nose a minor Andes, geographic'ly to speak.

FOURTH GRAND DIVISION CONFERENCE.

Following the excellent custom inaugurated by the Second Division, the delegates from the Chapters in the Fourth Division, at Indianapolis, concluded to hold a Conference for this year, and if the experiment be successful, to effect a permanent organization. The experiment *was* successful and the first Annual Conference of the Fourth

Grand Division, held May 2d and 3d, with Chapter Omicron, at Iowa City, Iowa, has been made as the result, the initial of our regular Annual Conference.

This being the time of the Inter-State oratorical contest, and from the fact that two of the seven States were represented by Deltas in that contest, a much added interest was given. Because of the many events connected with the contest, the Conference was not formally assembled until Friday afternoon, May 2d.

Bro. C. W. Russell, W. P., of Omicron, called the Conference to order at 2 o'clock, and a permanent organization was effected by the election of Brother J. W. Bennett, B. H., G. W. P., and Brother C. L. Edwards, A, G. S.

An address of welcome was given by Brother J. W. Witmer, O, which was responded to by Brother C. L. Edwards, of A.

Because of the necessarily informal character of a First Conference, the business transacted was mainly the discussion of those questions which, of vital importance to the Fraternity's advancement, though always old, are yet always capable of being seen in different and new lights, and of being most profitably considered.

Reports were presented from A, Q, E O, B H, and B K, showing that these Chapters were in excellent condition.

Saturday morning, at 9 o'clock, the Conference reassembled.

Brother Bennett, having been obliged to return home, Brother E. E. Kelly, E, was elected G. W. P.

A motion was adopted, that a committee be appointed to draw up a Constitution and By-Laws, to govern the Annual Conference, and present the same to the Chapters for ratification.

The committee on "Time and Place" for the Second Annual Conference, reported in favor of Minneapolis, Minn., as the most suitable place, and that the time be fixed by the delegates from the Fourth Division, at the National Convention in August, which was adopted.

A motion was adopted, that the Conference

extend to Chapter Omicron its most hearty thanks for the royal entertainment provided to the delegates and visiting Deltas.

The Conference adjourned *sine die*, at 3:45 P. M.

The most enjoyable event of the Conference, and one that showed well the admirable qualities of Omicron as a host, was the Division Reception, given in the elegant and splendidly arranged suite of rooms belonging to the Chapter. The parlors were bright with the beauty and grace of Iowa City's most charming young ladies, and the Deltas were everywhere. Terpsichore reigned supreme, and all were willing subjects to her happy rule. Not until but a few hours remained, before Saturday's sun should rise, did the Deltas and their ladies wend homeward their way, and in every visiting Delta's heart was the wish that sometime again he might be a visitor with loyal Omicron. The following Brothers were in attendance:

Old Zeta—Monmouth College: Prof. T. H. McBride, '70.

Lambda—Lombard University: C. L. Edwards, '84.

Omega—Iowa State College: W. J. Wicks, '84; W. H. McHenry, '84; W. B. Whitney, '80.

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Gamma—Washington and Jefferson: S. W. Fairall, '83.

Beta Eta—University of Minnesota: J. W. Bennett, '86.

Psi—Wooster University: J. M. Fulton, '84.

THE NEXT GENERAL CONVENTION.

There are two directions in which preparations can be made, with a view of ensuring the success of the next General Convention of the Fraternity, which is to meet this summer at Watkins' Glen, N. Y. It is scarcely necessary to say that the annual meetings of the Fraternity are held for purposes, both of business and pleasure; and while, in accordance with circumstances, social or business matters predominated in the past, the time has now come when both will equally engage the attention of the Fraternity; so varied and numerous are the directions in which the interests of Delta Tau Delta are involved, that there will probably never be dearth of business which will occupy the close attention of the Convention; on the other hand, so many of our members now look forward with pleasure to the occurrence of the Convention every year, as *the* place and time when Delta Tau Delta may be seen at her best, that the social side of our annual meetings will, in future, receive an even more careful preparation than in the past.

The arrangements, for the purpose of ensuring the success of the Convention from a social point of view, can safely be entrusted to the Chapters of the First Division, under whose auspices the Fraternity will convene next August; and we may feel fully assured that our Lehigh Chapter, under whose immediate supervision all needed preparations are to be made, will have nothing undone in order to faithfully and efficiently discharge their trust. It will then simply be the duty of the Fraternity-at-large to second these efforts, and ensure the success of the occasion by making it a large and representative gathering of Deltas from all over the land.

There can, we think, be but one opinion as to the wisdom of the Fraternity in selecting as the place for this year's Convention, a summer resort, so well and favorably known as is Watkins' Glen, one of the most picturesque points

in the State of New York, and delightfully situated on the banks of Seneca Lake. It was, we think, a happy thought, and with proper care and management our next Convention can readily be made one of the most pleasant, if not the most enjoyable, of the whole series of Delta Conventions. It is some years since the Fraternity last met at a summer resort. The Convention of 1879 was held at Put-in-Bay, Lake Erie, and we have the unanimous testimony of all who participated, that it was, in every sense, a most enjoyable and brilliant occasion. In selecting such cities as Chicago, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Indianapolis, as the places for subsequent Conventions, the Fraternity was doubtless largely governed by such considerations as convenience and accessibility, and that this judgment was sound, is best attested by the fact that the attendance upon these occasions left nothing to be desired. The business of the Conventions was transacted promptly, but it was evident from the hasty manner in which delegates and visitors separated and left these cities, that not even the enthusiasm which accompanies a Delta Convention, can balance the discomforts of our large and close cities during the summer months. We may confidently hope to fare better at Watkins' Glen this year. While not as conveniently located as the great railroad centers, yet the Glen can be reached without difficulty; and the visitor will feel amply repaid for his trouble. We may expect to meet this year many who can afford but a brief respite from continuous professional duties, and who, heretofore, could not be induced to spend their brief vacation in the hotels of a city.

The social side of our next Convention will thus take care of itself; but not so, on the other hand, with the business preparations which this year, as in the past, require careful attention. But few weeks yet remain of the present college year, when our Chapters will disband for the summer, and hence immediate attention should be bestowed upon the business measures for the next Convention.

It would be an excellent plan, we think, if the printed minutes of last year's Convention were read and discussed in open Chapter meeting. We are probably not far from the truth, when we assert that not more than, perhaps, one out of five of our active members, have carefully read the official minutes of our last Convention. They have probably long been securely filed among the archives of the Chapter, and now rarely, if ever, see the light of day. There could be no better way of bringing out new ideas upon matters pertaining to the government and policy of the Fraternity, than if the subject-matter of the last minutes were made the special order for one meeting, at least. There could be no better way of interesting the younger members, initiates of the present year, in the methods of the Fraternity, than just such a plan as here proposed.

A. B. C.

THE PAN-HELLENIC CONFERENCE.

MR. EDITOR:—It is some time since the Pan-Hellenic Conference has been discussed in the columns of our CRESCENT. As one who felt a deep interest in a movement which, if successfully carried out, could not fail to be of vast service to the Greek-Letter Fraternities throughout the land, I am prompted to ask you to kindly give the readers of THE CRESCENT a statement as to the present condition of the movement and the probability of its ultimate success. You are probably in a position to comply with this request, without serious inconvenience, from the fact that you have at your command the journals of our sister societies, and hence can note their sentiments regarding the movement. I learn that several Fraternities have decided not to be represented in the movement, being, like Psi Upsilon, not in accord with the liberal sentiments, which are now finding their way into even the older and most conservative of college Fraternities.

Will you kindly favor us with a concise statement, as to what other Fraternities contemplate doing in the matter of calling the proposed Conference into existence? Your prompt reply will greatly oblige,

A CONSTANT READER.

FRATERNAL COMITY.

Few will deny that the contests between rival Greek societies have been carried on with too much bitterness. Of late, several Fraternities have made strenuous efforts to soften the feelings of their brethren towards members of rival organizations. It is hoped that Pan-Hellenic conferences will accomplish much toward bringing warring Fraternities into a closer union. For its work towards bringing about an alliance for the common good of Fraternities, Delta Tau Delta has cause to congratulate herself. This liberal spirit, that is so much in contrast with narrow-mindedness, I regret to say, I have observed in members of other fraternities, seems to be shared by every member of our Fraternity. Recently the correspondent of Mu Chapter reported that one of our men had resigned and joined X Φ . He seemed to have done so on account of the incompatibility of himself and others. Our correspondent said: "To-day, $\Delta T \Delta$ congratulates X Φ ." Nothing ever read by me in our journal ever gave me more genuine pleasure. It showed a broad, liberal-minded manhood in the writer that is worthy of admiration and emulation. It shows that there is a magnanimity in our Fraternity that should be encouraged. Snarling at one by another should be discouraged on every hand. A kindly feeling will advance the interest of Greeks. Men are not all fitted for one Fraternity, or one Chapter. If we find they are not congenial associates, give them up with kindly feeling. A recent provision of our Constitution may be wrong in prohibiting taking members of Chapters of other Fraternities, under all circumstances. While endeavoring to crush the gigantic evil of "lifting," we may have gone too far.

Equally as incumbent are the duties of sustaining a member or a Chapter as giving them up. After having established a Chapter with all care, we should be very slow about removing it without the most cogent reasons. I doubt very much the advisability of a wholesale "chopping off" of Chapters, as seems to have begun. There is nothing more difficult to fight than the record of a large number of dead Chapters. The best Fraternity in the country has but one. Perhaps it is better to have a dozen questionable Chapters than to swell an already too large list of dead ones. Let us make haste slowly about removing any more charters, and see if the end justifies the means.

Fraternally,

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PAN-HELLENIC.

In response to a request found in another part of this issue, we give below a brief digest of the views and opinions of the various Greek Letter Fraternities, relative to a Pan-Hellenic Conference. We deem it unnecessary to refer at length to the history of the movement. It was first proposed, as we believe, in THE CRESCENT, No. 2, Vol. VI. A short time after the *Beta Theta Pi* re-proposed and strongly advocated such a conference, and to this paper is the present matured plan, to a large extent due. Circulars of invitation were distributed, asking the editors of the various Fraternity publications to meet in Philadelphia, February 22, 1883. There were present at that meeting representatives from *Beta Theta Pi*, *Alpha Tau Omega*, *Chi Phi*, *Delta Kappa Epsilon*, *Delta Phi*, *Delta Tau Delta*, *Phi Delta Theta*, *Phi Gamma Delta*, *Phi Kappa Psi*, *Phi Kappa Sigma*, *Psi Upsilon*, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*, *Sigma Chi*, and *Zeta Psi*. At this meeting it was decided:

"That a Pan-Hellenic Conference be held at New York City, to begin July 4th, 1884, provided that ten Fraternities shall signify their intention to participate, before January 1, 1884, and that each Fraternity having three or more Chapters, have three delegates and one vote."]

It may, perhaps, be interesting to note, briefly, the manner in which this proposition was received at this time. The *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* thus speaks:

"We have noted with interest the discussion by the Greek press of the proposed Pan-Hellenic Conference, and this, we trust, all the more impartially since we have not found it necessary to explain that we were in need of no such organization. Our precedents have long been established, our lines of development long since fixed, and though we can hardly expect that no modifications of our methods will ever be adopted, it is from within, not from without, that must come the direction for change. Δ K E has never contemplated membership in our association which shall dictate to her as to either policy or methods, nor does she wish to pose as a mentor for others. We believe, however, that there are not a few points upon which there exists a practical consension among Fraternities—dormant now, but which such a conference might make effective. For example, as to the initiation of preparatory students. On this Δ K E is not directly interested, but no one can doubt that to Greekdom in general a benefit would be secured should her gates be set invariably within the college walls. That uncanny development of mushroom growths can seriously or especially hurt the standing of Δ K E would not seriously be suggested. But some effectual discouragement of ephemeral "Greek" organizations is greatly to be desired for the sake of the Fraternity cause in general. And it is not probable that an expression of Fraternities in conference, headed by those admittedly of the strong ones against "prep." initiations would be heeded, at the risk of ostracism, even by those who might dissent. If, too, the Fraternities of a certain number of years' standing, having chapters at a certain number of colleges of a certain grade (making the present limit a liberal one,) should refuse recognition as Greeks to all others except after probation and upon terms, would it not thus be made practically impossible to found a new "Fraternity," and would not such a result be a good one?

"Of course we plainly see that the chief direct gainers by a conference will be, not those Fraternities whose co-operation will add most weight to its councils, but rather the ones whose development is still unregulated, whose status is still shadowy. But we believe no leading Fraternity will resolve—we are certain none will avow—that it should stand aside from any movement calculated to advance Fraternity interests in general, simply because, not being needy, it has not so much to gain as its weaker sisters. Whatever course Δ K E may take, we can assert in advance that she will aid any movement which seems likely, in general, either to further the Greek cause or advance liberal culture—this without waiting to calculate whether she or some one of her co-workers is to profit most by the common enterprise."

The *Chi Phi Quarterly* is also very doubtful:

"In the opinion of a majority of the gentlemen who met at Philadelphia, it was deemed practical and advisable to hold such a meeting if as many as ten Fraternities, having three or more Chapters each, should signify a

willingness and intention to participate. The soundness of this judgment may fairly be questioned. Ten does not constitute a majority of the college Fraternities, and, even if it did, would it be a union of practical strength unless it included the four or five largest and most powerful Fraternities in the college world? Any such combination, to be completely successful, requires the co-operation of all; and just in proportion as it falls short of that is its strength diminished, and that to a greater or less degree in accordance with the power of the body that declines to fall into line. But, said one of the gentlemen present at the meeting, we weaker Fraternities want the help and advice of the older and stronger ones. What a proposition for a compact? Can anybody be expected or asked to give; give and receive nothing in return? Any such agreement, even if entered into, on such a basis, has in it the seeds of its own destruction, that will rapidly germinate. To be practicable, must not the proposed union offer benefits to all, and such benefits as shall make it for the interest of each member to see that its own part is faithfully carried out? What, then, are the ends proposed through which each member is to be bound to the body? On these the gentlemen at the late meeting were somewhat in doubt; but they suggested certain topics for the consideration of the meeting that is to be invited to be held, wherein more thought is apparent in the classification than in the topics themselves. These themes are, roughly, the qualifications of Fraternity membership, the relations *inter se* of chapters and Fraternities, and matters of Fraternity journalism. The last is separated by so wide a gulf from the others, and as the author is not a Fraternity editor, he will leave that for others to speak on. In regard to the others, there is one fundamental objection equally applicable to all. Suppose the Greeks in council assembled see fit to pass resolutions on any one or more of the above subjects, what guarantee is there that the same will be carried out in good faith, as intended by the adopters? It is a practical maxim that a law without a penalty is no law. It will not be denied that a man convicted of a crime for which there is no punishment prescribed, cannot be punished; but, says one of the gentlemen at Philadelphia, "moral force is what we must depend on." Will that do it? I ask the question without imputing moral blindness to any individual or any Fraternity, but it is certainly open to the gravest doubt whether any enactment can be carried into effect that depends on "moral force" only. And in addition to this it needs but the suggestion that, oftentimes, persons may honestly differ on the "moral" part of this. Again, what "moral force" can there be on a Fraternity which, though represented in this gathering, opposes, not capiously, action that may be taken, but opposes it believing it to be wrong? But assuming that I am thus far in error, that a code of penalties can be provided and carried out, or that "moral force" shall prove all efficacious, and the lion and lamb lie down together, not one inside the other, are we out of difficulty yet? It seems to me not. No assemblage of different Fraternities could

or should attempt to legislate in a manner so as to have the act apply to only one of their number; and yet it is doubtful if legislation to apply to so many different bodies, organized on different plans, each having its own ideas, is in any way possible. Each Fraternity has, or should have, its own standards of admission to membership in it, and hardly any two are identical; a regulation that would apply to one perfectly would be the worst sort of a misfit as to another, and to ask all Fraternities to conform to a single standard would be about as likely to meet with actual success as the proposition to unite all of the existing Fraternities into one. But again, many of the Fraternities, certainly all of the well-established ones, have, as was said by the representative of Psi Upsilon at the meeting, already fixed their position on one or another, if not all, of the questions suggested by the gentlemen of B Θ Π, either by legislation of their own, or by precedent. Can it be supposed for a moment that they will abandon their own laws or the practice sanctioned by time, because the members of certain other fraternities would have it otherwise? Would it be reasonable to ask such a thing?

"Such are some of the stumbling-blocks that these Greeks when they meet, if they ever do, will have to contend with; and they are suggested, not in any spirit of hostility to the plan, but because it will be incumbent on us of Chi Phi, at our next convention, to decide what our position on this question must be, and it is one that is entitled to our most careful consideration."

The editor of the *Chi Phi Quarterly* also adds:

"The *Quarterly* now takes opportunity to withdraw absolutely and entirely from the Inter-Fraternity Press Association, not in any spirit of animosity, but as a matter of policy. The minutes of the Philadelphia meeting sent us by Mr. Baird we do not publish, because they are inaccurate and peculiar, and because, from our own stand-point, it is deemed unnecessary. In so far as the *Quarterly* can speak for the Chi Phi Fraternity, as her official publication and representative, Chi Phi needs and desires no assistance from her sister Fraternities; she considers herself a *strong* Fraternity, and as such "can gain little or nothing and perhaps lose much by the proposed convention." Our Fraternity was not "born amid the throes of the dying confederacy," (see *A T Ω Palm* for December, 1882,) nor amid the "throes" of anything else in the preliminary stages of decomposition. She is the legitimate offspring of a rational, sensible, healthy mother, born in peace, dedicated to peace, and hopes to die (if at all) in peace, but this much we must say, that we cannot but rejoice that Chi Phi, as a college Fraternity, had no official connection with the Philadelphia Inter-Fraternity Convention, and that she takes her stand with the old strong Fraternities not officially represented at the convention, in a perfectly friendly and kindly, yet *independent* relation with the Greek world at large."

The *Scroll* says:

"Phi Delta Theta would not enter any combination

which would restrain or hinder her independent action, or go into any coalition which would disturb her system or interfere with her policy. But a Pan-Hellenic conference, such as is now proposed, is a different thing, and we are sure that it meets the endorsement of Phi Delta Theta generally. We will not submit to dictation, but are more than willing to profit by the experience of the assembled wisdom of all the Fraternities. We are not certain that anything practical would be accomplished by the conference, but some important results would probably ensue. The best Fraternity workers and thinkers in the United States will be in attendance, and a unanimous decision of the conference, though it could not be forced on any Fraternity, would carry great weight and influence, and would probably be accepted and respected by all the Fraternities of respectable standing."

The *Phi Gamma Delta* remarks:

"In point of pleasure the council of editors is unique. Excepting one of Chi Phi's representatives (whose temper was too much for his better judgment and good sense) everybody seemed pleased with the meeting."

From the *Alpha Tau Omega Pulm*:

* * * "To sum up, then, as far as efficient organizations, social prestige, future promise and legitimate birth are concerned, Alpha Tau Omega cannot afford to exchange place with any Fraternity in the land. She would not exchange her principles and prospects to-day with any Fraternity. She can give as much to any Fraternity, in all that constitutes the true wealth of a Fraternity, as any Fraternity can give her; and she would laugh to scorn the very idea of exchanging her influence and power with some of the so-called strong Fraternities."

"And yet Alpha Tau Omega has something to gain from a conference with other Greeks. Such a meeting would help to broaden her views, to increase her acquaintance with a delightful and cultured, upon the whole, set of gentlemen; she would find it mutual protection from many of the evils which now come to individual chapters from the want of co-operation upon questions vital to the highest possibilities of Fraternity life; she puts herself thereby in the ranks of those catholic, true men, who can look beyond the confines of "narrow self" and recognize merit and worth wherever they may be found; she can endeavor therein to foster that feeling of respect and love and confidence for other worthy and good men, which respect and love and trust are absolutely necessary to the development of a high and useful life; she can't afford to risk, by withdrawing from such an association, the evils which invariably follow a contracted and selfish policy."

"Let other Fraternities think and do what they choose, but for Alpha Tau Omega, strong in her integrity, with no favors to ask of any, and nothing to fear so long as she is true to her grand aim and her ennobling obligations, may she ever be found in full sympathy and accord with

all movements which are characterized by a loving, confiding catholic spirit."

The *Shield*, in its October issue, speaks as follows:

"We are convinced that Greek-letter societies would be largely benefitted by a reform of abuses and a more general method of conducting their affairs, but seriously doubt if it can be accomplished at the present stage of co-fraternity among college men. There is not a topic proposed for discussion upon the schedule published last April which we would not like to hear debated, and an expression taken upon which would not do much toward alleviating the ills under which we now labor, but a radical change of sentiment must take place before the meeting next July on the part of several of the most prominent Fraternities in the country, before anything like a free discussion can take place, or intelligent conclusion be expressed."

"Upon the understanding that the various Fraternity journals voice the sentiments of those whom they represent, T Y will be compelled to descend from her chimborazean heights of supremacy and acknowledge the existence of others beside herself and A Δ Φ; Δ K E will need to enlarge the scope of her observation so as to take in more than two rivals; B Θ H will surely abate some of her loud and frequent vociferations about the only national fraternity; and Φ Δ Θ no longer rest her claims to recognition upon a multiplicity of Chapters in obscure institutions."

"While the representatives of the Fraternities to be expected at New York may be, and doubtless will be, the flower of Greek-letter societies, and therefore men of culture and judgment, they will be imbued with sentiments so widely at variance that any such thing as concerted action will be out of the question."

"There is one great and almost insuperable objection to the meeting as proposed for the lending of moral weight for or against certain features of Fraternity life, and that is the almost total contrariety of conception and practice among the Greeks in various parts of the country. In Eastern colleges, Fraternity life resembles that of a literary society in many instances, and in others a gentlemen's club, the number in a Chapter, often as high as fifty or sixty, precluding the possibility of intimate association. In the West and South, on the contrary, Chapters are much smaller, and the predominant sentiment is fellowship, except where numbers are sought to form powerful combinations in college politics."

"It may be answered that the Conference has for its very purpose the readjustment of matters so that these wide differences will no longer exist, but which section is to change its ideas first, and that so readily? In the East there is wealth and prejudice of many years to support the desire for numbers, which, if adopted as the prevailing sentiment, would either make every man in the Western colleges a Fraternity man or compel the dismemberment of a number of Fraternities. In the West there is the deep-seated desire for supremacy over many rivals that will keep the number of organi-

zations undiminished so long as there are students enough to petition some Fraternity for a charter.

"We believe in a proposed Conference for a reason not as yet offered, or at least prominently advocated, and that the desirability of a closer unity in mind and feeling among young Americans, especially among those in college. There has been, in the past, too much arrogance and lofty assumption of superiority in the East toward the West, and too little reason in the actions and attainments of college men in the West to believe that their Eastern brothers had not much cause for their judgment.

"A closer sympathy among college men is a most desirable thing, and we can conceive of no better way in which to arouse such a sentiment than by members of the principal Eastern, Western and Southern Fraternities meeting together for discussion and affiliation. As for any legislation, we seriously doubt both its expediency and probability, unless the Conference divides itself into sections, which shall exercise independent jurisdiction over the various parts of the college world represented.

"It will help $\Psi \Upsilon$, $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta \Kappa \epsilon$ to meet and measure themselves with their hitherto despised brethren; $B \Theta H$ will be largely benefitted by contemplating the men of a few colleges to which she has not yet aspired, or, having aspired, has not yet entered; and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will derive great and lasting benefit by perceiving, through the eyes of her delegates, that she still lacks somewhat of rivaling $\Phi \Upsilon$.

"Should there be another meeting of the Fraternity Press Association we expect to be there, and desire that $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ in some manner select her three delegates to represent her in the Conference proper. We hope there may be intelligent and free discussion from this time forward, so that when we do move we shall know clearly what our position is."

The following letter on this subject appears in the *A $\Lambda \Phi$ Star and Crescent* for November:

"Alpha Delta Phi is too eminently in the lead, too old, too distinguished, and, I trust, too dignified, to gain anything from such a Confederacy of comparatively unknown societies. With the exception of Psi Upsilon, I fail to find any Fraternity in the list which has ever presumed to rank anywhere near Alpha Delta Phi, and Psi U. seems sadly out of place. I look in vain for Kappa Alpha, for Sigma Phi, for Delta Psi, which, with Psi U., are the only rivals Alpha Delta Phi has ever known. I do not admit that Delta Kappa Epsilon, as a whole, could aspire to that position.

"Alpha Delta Phi does not stand in need of any Pan-Hellenic legislation; it does not yearn for any gratuitous advertising. Its history, its position, its magnificent success, will surely suffice." * *

The bombastic spirit of this is opposed by the following letter, appearing in the February issue:

* * * "From their very prosperity the strong Fraternities have been slow to change, and, contented with their established status, they, in some respects, lag behind the weaker societies, to whom it is a matter of life and death that

they shall excel their competitors in some particulars at least.

"To formulate the facts in the language of evolution, types best adapted to their environment are those which have survived the fiercest struggle for existence, so we may reasonably expect the highest type of Fraternity to finally come from among the "poorer" societies whose organizations remain easily subject to change.

"The whole matter is illustrated by the rise of the Fraternity periodical system; the pioneers were not the Fraternities of power and prestige, but even the so-called "anti-secret Fraternity" was one of the first to set an example which has been followed with varying success, according to their flexibility of organization, by most of the progressive Fraternities of the land.

"So the elder Fraternities need not be too sure that, in the interchange of ideas, the benefit will entirely inure to the weaker parties.

"We all agree that an advance in inter-Fraternity courtesy has been made since the time when it was not uncommon for certain now highly respectable Fraternities to commit burglary, robbery, and malicious mischief upon each other's property. At the present day, as we are glad to know, there are Chapters whose members would no more retain any private documents of another Fraternity, however obtained, than they would keep a watch or purse belonging to another. Let the friendly feeling now apparent be fostered in all proper ways; it will be admitted that there are good men in all Fraternities; it is probable that good men would be sent to such a Conference, and the discussion of public matters of common interest could not fail to add something to the wisdom of even the best informed."

From the *Phi Gamma Delta* for November:

" $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ is in favor of the Pan-Hellenic Conference, and if the Conference is held, will be represented. We are frank to say that, if any good can be obtained from the deliberations of the Greeks, we will not refuse the opportunity to profit therefrom on the ground that to acknowledge any gain possible would be but to advertise a weakness. If we think we have an element of strength making us superior to other Fraternities in some respects, we do not intend, by undue boasting, to disgust the Fraternity world. The attitude of some of the older Fraternities upon this question is, to say the least, very wearisome. They think that although they do not need advice on any matter, nor can in any way profit by the deliberations of the Greeks, yet in order that the best interests of the fraternity world may be subserved, or, perhaps, in order to "add weight to the council," they will favor a General Conference, and will send representatives, presumably, to give the fatherly aid which their benevolent spirit prompts. If their claims were just, they might be endured, but being as they generally are, but the effect of an abnormal enlargement of the faculty of self-esteem, the claims are excessive, and calculated to prevent the era of good feeling into which the Fraternities seemed to be entering. Such attitudes upon this all-important question are calculated to neutralize the efforts of those who favor the Conference from the best

motives. Let the Greeks enter this Conference in the right spirit. Let questions of fraternity interest be discussed candidly and honestly, and may no Fraternity assume the unbecoming position of one desiring to advise, but unwilling to profit by advice. The Conference should be a success, and let those who favor it do nothing to peril the interests at stake."

Unfortunately our files have not been entirely preserved, and we are able to present only the foregoing opinions to our readers. They are sufficient, however, to demonstrate the vast diversity of opinion that still exists relative to this question.

No definite opinion can be expressed, at this time, of the definite or final success or failure of the plan. Everything at present indicates, however, that the general fraternity world is not ready for this movement at present. Only a very few have, as yet, signified their intention of participating. A few have positively declared against the measure, while the great majority are simply indifferent. The following, from the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*, for April, seems to define the present aspect of the question admirably:

"*Hic jacet Arturus, rex quondam rexque futurus.*" Similar to this in its prophetic assurance of resurrection, will, we trust, be the epitaph, which shall mark the spot where lies—not dead, but sleeping—the Pan-Hellenic Conference. We are informed that the requisite number of Fraternities have failed to signify their intention to participate. The conception of a veritable "round table," where all true knights, whether of the Crescent or the Cross, shall meet—without discussion of precedence, rivals in endeavor for the common cause, equals in zeal with which they embrace it—is too attractive not to be followed by regret as it melts into air.

"For those who held aloof, because they saw no peculiar advantage to themselves, we have no worse wish than that they may yet earn a better position than that of exponents of what is least creditable in our past. To those who, ready to join disinterestedly in such a movement, despaired of the success of a scheme which assumed equally good motives on the part of their neighbors, we tender sincere regret that the world seems so much colder to them than it does to us. As to those who, with knapsack full of good intentions, kept it closed lest they cast their pearls before swine; let them make the acquaintance of their rivals before they judge—or are judged. The Pan-Hellenic idea will, doubtless, be successfully revived. As it is, the brief life of the scheme has been so productive of good results; has been in every way so creditable to its promoters, that we almost envy our cotemporary its position as chief mourner for the fate of the conception to which it did so much to give definite form.

For the present, therefore, the matter seems settled, and those who have eagerly looked forward to such a meeting will have to see the downfall of their hopes through the indifference of their cotemporaries. That the plan will be revived, and be finally successful, there is little doubt, but for the present year the matter is settled, and the Pan-Hellenic Conference, which seemed so full of promise, must be pronounced a failure.

THE WORK OF THE FUTURE.

In an article that appeared in a recent number of *THE CRESCENT*, among many other excellent ideas appeared the following: "Delta Tau Delta must have a definite aim and purpose; an ambition or goal toward which she can direct her efforts in the future. No need comes to us with more force or presents its claim more imperatively than the one referred to. In fragmentary legends only do we gain an idea of the purposes and objects that led to the organization and establishment of our order. Probably the evils of corrupt college politics, coupled with the attractions of congenial fellowship, brought about our birth. From this small local organization has developed a new order of things. The Fraternity has kept pace in the rapid march of development that has marked the last ten or fifteen years in the history of Greek Letter Societies. The aims and purposes that were of such vital interest in the years gone by, have ceased to exist, or been passed over. The work that at one time seemed to our pioneers almost insurmountable, has been achieved or abandoned. The entire Greek world is agitated and alive to the discussion of the important question, what position will Fraternities hold in the years to come? From the history of the past we can gather many land-marks to guide us in our search. We can see readily that they are to be recognized as an important feature in college life; that they are to exercise a by no means insignificant position in college politics and government; that they are to extend their borders until their membership shall contain the vast majority of the intelligent, strong, active college graduates; that

as they become older and more firmly established their influence will extend more beyond the college walls and silently and almost unknowingly we will find them taking their place in the active work of life. These few indications we can readily see; but what lies beyond?

Portentious shadows play upon the bosom of the future, but their translation is hidden. What great work will devolve upon Fraternities to achieve? In this new order of things, what will be the individual work of Delta Tau Delta? Feeling as she does, the life and vitality of her increasing strength, she stands waiting for some definite work to accomplish. A new aim has become necessary; without doubt extension deserves attention. As in the past, we must endeavor to extend the borders and influence of Delta Tau Delta. We must, as far as possible, introduce our order into every institution of the proper grade in the United States. Reduction must be carefully and politically looked to. This year has shown us that the time is at hand when we can remove a weak Chapter kindly, courteously, and without malice, when we are ready to sacrifice, more fully than ever before, our own personal feelings to the welfare of the general Fraternity. Internal improvement, change of government, the reduction of Chapter business to a better system; all these things have received their due attention, but beyond them higher, perhaps, in importance, the question still presents itself, *what shall be the work of Delta Tau Delta in the coming years?* Whatever the general work of Fraternities, however high their aims, or exalted their efforts may be, *our* Fraternity must have its separate mission to perform.

As we glance around us at the various Fraternities, and search their works to try and find the objects that direct their efforts, we cannot help but notice a marked lack of purpose; an aimless drifting on the tide. Some are turning their whole attention to extension; others are zealously working at internal improvement; perfecting a faulty, unwritten law, or, perhaps, crying out against a poor government, but the great major-

ity are simply existing; they found an occasional Chapter, perhaps if unusually active, drop one, but beyond this listless existence they accomplish nothing. Very few have constitutional provisions upon the important matters of college life; still fewer extend their work beyond college halls, or, if such an attempt is made, the severest criticism is at once invoked; and not one, as far as we can learn, has any great work to which the united efforts of the order is directed. The time was when a Fraternity's whole attention was directed to the work of overcoming the unreasonable opposition of those who veiled their ignorance behind a mass of meaningless criticism. Little by little this work has been accomplished, and to-day, with but one or two exceptions, no institution of any importance exists which does not welcome Fraternities to its midst. This work being accomplished, to what shall we now turn our attention? It is difficult to discuss this question in a practical manner. Every man has his ideal Fraternity. An organization which shall meet every requirement of college life; which shall advance the condition of college students everywhere; which shall be something to love, to cherish, to reverence; a society which, while it shall be devoted principally to students, will still go with a man through life; an influence which shall become a part of his existence, never to be forgotten or dispelled. Can this ideal be realized? Can Delta Tau Delta become such a society as we have attempted to suggest? If she can, we have then a grand work before us.

In this undertaking we have no example to follow, for while we frankly admit that a few of our sister societies have virtues which are not yet ours, they fall far short of the ideal to which we would direct our efforts. The first work, then, to be accomplished, is to adopt a plan. Let us have a system. If each Chapter alone and unadvised begins its work of reformation from its local, and perhaps biased standpoint, our condition will never improve. Let us, at the coming Convention, carefully adopt a plan, fully adjusted and thoroughly understood, and with this guide

our Chapters, one and all, working for a common purpose, our advancement will be rapid and direct. In Fraternity work, nothing is absolutely impossible. Is Delta Tau Delta side by side with the highest, strongest Fraternities of to-day? If not, why? Is she compelled to acknowledge that some others stand above her in the critical grade of prominence? If so, it is her own fault. In five years, by careful, systematic work, by improving every opportunity, and if none presents, making one, by unity of purpose and a firm determination on the part of every member, *our* Fraternity will acknowledge no superior in the great constellation of Greek tribes. Let us have earnest, united, enthusiastic work, and our highest ideals will be realized.

THE CONVENTION.

The XXVIth Annual Convention of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, will be held at Watkins Glen, N. Y., August 20th, 21st and 22d, 1884. It would be folly for us to attempt to describe the importance and strength of a Delta Convention. Every Brother is conversant with the subject for himself. We will, therefore, simply present a few of the finished plans and details of the coming assembly. Watkins Glen is a resort, justly famed for its magnificent scenery. The Grotto, Mirror Lake, the Cathedral, Tripple Cascade, and a dozen others, are scenes that can not be over-estimated. In situation, it could not be improved. The Glen lies West of, and partly within, the village of Watkins, in Schuyler county, New York, near the head of Seneca Lake, twenty miles from Elmira and forty from Geneva. Watkins is on the Northern Central Railroad, which connects at Canandaigua with the New York Central Railroad; at Elmira with the New York, Lake Erie and Western and Lehigh Valley Railroads; and at Harrisburg with the Pennsylvania Central, and the Syracuse, Geneva and Corning Railroad crosses the Western extent of the Glen.

Thus we find this rare summer retreat is accessible with ease from every part of the coun-

try, and we can confidently expect our XXVIth Convention, held amidst such scenes of beauty and rest, will have a feature of success that has been lacking in our recent gatherings.

The Glen Mountain House, the finest hotel at Watkins, has been secured as headquarters of the Convention, the rates being reduced to \$3.00 per day. The large, convenient hall, connected with the house, has been placed at our disposal, and the Glen orchestra will play for us whenever desired. Tickets to the Glen will be reduced to 25 cents. The Glen House is capable of accommodating over 300 guests, and is in every way suited for our purposes. An illustrated catalogue, or hand-book, has been sent to each of the Chapters, and can be secured by any so desiring, by sending to the proprietor of the Mountain House.

As to the officers:—

Rev. B. F. Dimmick writes that, nothing preventing, he will be present to assume the position of President.

James W. McLane says he very much regrets that he shall be unable to attend the Convention, but his heartiest and best wishes are with us in our every endeavor to make it a rousing and glorious success.

Hon. Wm. B. Sutton, the orator appointed, says that his engagements are such as to leave no time for preparation, and will render his attendance extremely doubtful.

Prof. John R. Scott, the poet, writes that the work in his profession is so engrossing, as to leave no leisure to court the muses.

A. P. Trantwein assures us that, as Historian, he will give us the "Latest Results of Our Researches into the History of Delta Tau Delta."

Thomas H. Hardecastle, II, '80, will deliver the address of welcome.

Fraternally, socially, and from a business point of view, everything promises a grand, successful Convention at Watkins Glen, the coming August. Let us all be there. If we are contemplating a summer vacation of any sort, try to accommodate ourselves to this date, August 20th,

21st, 22d, and attend the Convention of our grand old Delta Tau Delta. If you need a rest—come. If you want a good time—come. If you feel worn out and restless, come and get new life and vigor infused into you, and in any case, our advice and exhortation stands the same—COME.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

The importance of Chapter Letters to a Fraternity magazine can hardly be overestimated. Through them we expect to reach out and touch the memories and arouse the interest of our alumni; and by them is the individual, internal strength of our order shown. Knowing, then, the importance of this department of our journals, it is surprising to note how little care is devoted to their compilation. We are not now speaking exclusively of our own correspondents, for in this respect many of our exchanges far surpass us in the silliness and emptiness of their Chapter reports. It is not strange that the Corresponding Secretary should be at a loss for material with which to fill his letter, and consequently shirks and fails in his duty in this respect. It is undoubtedly a hard position to fill creditably, consequently the very best man in the Chapter should be chosen for this responsible office.

Never impose it upon the younger members, for they are not capable of representing the Chapter properly in the Greek World. The correspondent must be conversant with the Fraternity work, and must have a considerable knowledge of the general Fraternity World. But even then, what shall his report contain? First, and most important, the truth. If unfavorable—unfavorable. If complimentary—free from even a shadow of bombast. Give, each month, a candid, impartial report of the condition of the Chapter as it is—not as you wish it might be. Fairly, and without malice, report the condition of your rivals, but above all avoid slanderous statements. If the members of the Chapter have secured honors, mention them frankly, but do not manufacture them. Remember, the readers of a Fra-

ternity journal are college men, and understand these matters fully.

One exchange that lies before us proudly announces, from half a dozen Chapter letters, that they have won all the honors (?) of the literary societies, having the President, Secretary and one Librarian. We wonder they do not add some hopes of capturing the Sargeant-at-Arms. Another, and one that prides itself wonderfully on its exclusiveness and antiquity, proudly informs us that they have "four men on the nine," at a certain institution," and are the happy possessors of "The Battery," at another. To the average college man, this sounds worse than silly. In this age of gymnasiums and Field Days, it is an accomplishment, perhaps, to be an athlete, but the "Grecian games" are not the part of Grecian culture that we have adopted into our Greek Letter societies, and where a Chapter letter contains such matter, we can only conclude that nothing better could be found with which to "fill up." Again, let the correspondent discuss the questions of importance that are agitating the circles of Fraternity life. When a matter of change, or policy, is presented to the Fraternity, through the columns of the Fraternity journal, it should be thoroughly discussed by each Chapter, in their regular meetings. Let these discussions, or a condensed report of the sentiment of the Chapter, be submitted in the next month's issue. In this way we can, at a glance, know the will of the whole Fraternity, and you will never have a lack of material for your letters. Keep alive to the work of the present. Be the exponent of your Chapter in the truest sense of the word, and our "Chapter Letters" will be the most important department of a Fraternity journal.

ANY OF OUR alumni desiring further information concerning the convention, will do well to send to the Glen Mountain House, Watkins Glen, New York, for a descriptive hand-book, giving full particulars concerning the best approaches and easy accommodations of this delightful little retreat.

WE HAVE heard of short memories, and their convenience, but we think never has a more pleasing example been furnished than that presented by Mr. William R. Baird, in his article of "Fraternity Studies," appearing in the *Beta Theta Pi*. In regard to a Chapter of Delta Tau Delta that was in existence at Ohio Wesleyan University, in 1874, he speaks as follows:

"A more serious encounter took place, however, in the fall of 1874. At Ohio Wesleyan University we have already noticed that anti-fraternity laws have been repealed through the efforts of some eminent Ohio Betas. In starting out upon a new lease of life the Phi Kappa Psi and Delta Tau Delta chapters were prominently successful, while the Beta chapter was only moderately so. The Delta Tau Delta chapter was the "grand" chapter of the fraternity. For reasons unnecessary to state, its brightest members became dissatisfied with the standing and condition of their organization. Consequently, after agreeing amicably among themselves to disband, eight of them, together with one member each from the chapters of Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Gamma Delta, joined the Theta chapter of Beta Theta Pi, placing it in a position far above its rivals, and creating considerable excitement in the University."

In Mr. Baird's recent edition of "American College Fraternities," he informs us that "internal dissensions caused the death of the Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, at Ohio Wesleyan, in 1874;" but in his first edition, while these things were newer and fresher, he frankly says, that "the men forming our Chapter at that time confiscated all the money of the Fraternity that they could secure, destroyed the records, and, like dishonest "thieves," deserted the cause that they had already betrayed, ending his sketch with the remark that "Delta Tau Delta was well rid of such men." Verily, his memory must have failed him at this point, or he would never have acknowledged that these "brightest" young men, who immediately were received into his own Fraternity, (*B Θ II*), were "thieves" and traitors. Mr. Baird's utterly reliable resources into fraternity lore are destined, we fear, to confuse his brain about these simple little matters, and yet they are authentic, as can be readily seen by reference to his own authentic writings. In the above we have no reference to present members of Mu Chapter, as Delta Tau Delta was revived at Ohio Wesleyan, in 1876.

THE official notification of the withdrawal of Chapters Beta Iota and Sigma have been sent to the Chapters. It has been somewhat amusing to notice the zeal with which some of our esteemed cotemporaries have taken up the discussion of our affairs, one of them publishing not only a communication, but also a lengthy editorial, in reply to our efforts to show that Delta Tau Delta would still exist with a few less Chapters. However sorry we are to drop these branches from our grand old Delta Tree—for we know that these Chapters have given us, and still contain excellent men and true—we still feel that the general Fraternity has been benefitted by the change. At the coming convention it may be deemed wise to withdraw a few more of our charters, but we think not at present. The delegates will, however, carefully study the situation, and wise and politic councils will undoubtedly prevail. During the year the Chapters have been united more closely than ever before. The four division conferences, the meeting of the Executive Council, and an extensive correspondence have attributed to this result. We feel confident, therefore, that nothing will be done rashly or unjustly. Each division will be wisely represented, and its claims and needs fairly considered. This year our work has been mostly confined to internal improvements. Having accomplished this, we can confidently expect a wise and careful plan of extension to be adopted at Watkins Glen, which, earnestly adhered to will, in time, place Delta Tau Delta in the best institutions of the land, and in no others.

ANY OF THE Brothers knowing themselves indebted to THE CRESCENT will please send in their subscriptions *at once*, to Bro. E. W. Day—summer address, Deerfield, Ohio. Bro. Day has carefully arranged his work so that we have been enabled to give you a paper of twenty-four pages per month for the same subscription price that sixteen was furnished at. To accomplish this end we must pay promptly for all work done by our publishers. Please attend to this matter at once, as any further delay will materially derange our settlements.

WE PRESENT with this number of THE CRESCENT, a lithograph portrait of our gifted Fraternity poet and noted lecturer, Mr. Will Carleton, author of Farm Legends, Farm Ballads, etc., etc. We had written to several gentlemen, who had kindly undertaken to write us a biographical sketch to accompany the portrait, but we have, thus far, failed to receive the said article. It is with no little regret that we are forced to see these pages go to press, but we have delayed our issue two weeks already, in the vain hope of receiving their communications. One of Bro. Carlton's little poems, and one containing a world of true feeling, "The Dead Student," will be found on the first page of this issue. We sincerely hope that the sketch referred to will appear in a subsequent number.

CONSIDERABLE delay was caused this year by the editor's inability to secure the names and addresses of the newly-elected Corresponding Secretaries. On a subsequent page of this issue will be found the name of the new editor, with his summer address. Write to him at once, informing him of your election, giving your address, and all material information. In this way only can we expect the October number to appear on time. Any correspondence concerning THE CRESCENT, or otherwise, will be promptly answered by addressing W. J. GUTHRIE, Box 166, Apollo, Pa.

MR. WILLIAM RARMUND BAIRD, author of "American College Fraternities," seems to have his hands full, just at present. Mr. Albert P. Jacoby, of Detroit, a prominent member of Psi Upsilon, calls him to account for flagrant mistakes published relative to that Fraternity, to which Mr. Baird replies, "that he refuses to answer any questions, nor does he wish to embroil either Beta Theta Pi, or himself, in the discussion." Probably not, but we hardly think that statements should be made in such a "reliable" book, unless the authority could be conveniently produced.

WITH this Double Number for May and June, our work as Editor-in-Chief of THE CRESCENT, ends. We will burden this, our last editorial page, with no vain regrets for the failure of some of our plans and hopes. Naturally, there are many, but these improvements, if such they were, we must look to our successors to achieve. Our work has been pleasant, and it is with true regret that we lay aside the pen and surrender OUR CRESCENT, with its bright promises and worthy ambitions, to other hands. At this time it is appropriate that we should extend our earnest thanks to all those Brothers who have kindly assisted us in our work, promptly replying to our requests for literary aid, sending us Alumni notes, and showing an active interest in our efforts. In our Editorial Department, we have endeavored to be fair and impartial, presenting the questions of Fraternity interest in their true light, ever looking to the welfare of the general Fraternity. We have omitted some matter that has been sent us, because we did not consider that it contained the true spirit that, in these later days, should mark the writings of members of the Greek Brotherhood. Some few we have published, believing that the end justified the means. In our work we have formed many friendships; we trust, few enmities. Firmly believing that OUR CRESCENT is, and will be, an ever-increasing light, shining for, and by, and through our Fraternity, I remain,

Yours, Very Fraternally,

W. J. GUTHRIE,
Editor-in-Chief.

The Zeta Chapter of Sigma Chi, situated at Lexington, Va., has applied to the Executive Council of that Fraternity for a division of the Chapter. To us this seems an unusual proceeding, and evidence of some discord; but the Chapter correspondent answers us that this is not the case. The only other instance of this kind, we believe, is the existence of two Chapters of Phi Delta Theta, at Miami University, some years ago.

LITERARY.

A GLIMPSE OF EGYPT.

BY CHARLES EDWARD LOCKE, ALPHA, '81.

In response to an oft repeated invitation from the genial management of *THE CRESCENT*, we appear in these columns again. Perhaps however, we may be pardoned for the intrusion, when it is remembered that this is the first time, since we surrendered the quill of Editor-in-Chief, that we have imposed ourselves upon you.

We have been asked to give some observations during a recent trip to the Orient. Since we, as a Brotherhood, have an excusable fondness for Deltas, perhaps the region of the great Delta of the Nile might afford us a few moments profitable recreation.

To find ourselves steaming across the treacherous Mediterranean, bound for the Land of the Pyramids, was the realization of one of our fondest dreams. There is no disputing the fact however, that much of the poetry of the voyage is much reduced to a condition of utter annihilation by the ceaseless tossing of the miserable vessels, and a continual effort on the part of one's head and digestive organs to exchange places. We half believed that Old Neptune, with his pointed trident and foaming steeds, was on our track, wreaking vengeance upon us for the skepticism we had manifested in our school-days of his existence.

But all misery comes to end, and after six days out from Venice, the indistinct shores of Africa could be outlined in the distance. After a while the domes and minarets, the palm trees and windmills of Alexandria were within view. The traveler is agitated with thrills of deepest emotion as he approaches lands that have bequeathed to the world so many chapters of interesting history. We thought of the pristine power of this land; of the Ptolemies, and wondered what remained. This is the city of the great Alexander, once the peer of Rome and Athens. Here were the elegant palaces of scholarly Egyptians; here was the mammoth library of over 700,000 volumes,

which fell a prey to the conflagration of bigotry and ignorance; here Christianity was planted at an early date, and here was once a center of art and learning, the extent of whose influence was only limited by the boundaries of civilization.

Not a vestige of the former grandness of Alexandria now remains, save the lonely Obelisks with their mysterious language of antiquity.

The Obelisk was of great significance in early Egyptian times. They are made of red granite, as enduring as the ages. They are about one hundred feet in height; have four sides; are wider at the base than at the top; the usual width at the base being ten feet, at the top seven feet. They were erected by the kings of Egypt as symbols of strength and stability, and in representation of the rays of the sun. They made them high in order that the spirit of their god, the sun, might be drawn down among the people. The hieroglyphics on the sides contain a portion of the history of the ambitious monarch who erected them. There are many of these obelisks throughout Egypt, and not a few of them have been removed to other countries. There they stand, monuments of past glory! They are not to be depreciated, for they are not merely dumb stones. Upon their faces are written enough of the history of that ancient country to supply indispensable missing links. Without these legacies of that former time, much that is now understood, would be shrouded in unfathomable oblivion. The Rosetta Stone furnished the power which has transformed each of these granite pillars into a voice, which eloquently tells us of past glories in familiar tones.

We have not space to describe the ruined condition of Alexandria, as it appeared to us, a few weeks after the bombardment, nor to tell about a visit to Fort Ros-el-tin, which held out the longest against the English cannonade.

Nothing interested us more than did the common people—the fellahin. They are poor, do the hard work and take care of the agricultural interests. They live in low houses, built of bricks, made from the Nile mud. Houses are at

a discount in that southern clime, and the native is satisfied if his house contains but a single room. There are no chimneys. When the good lady of the house needs a fire to do her cooking, she makes it in her house and allows the smoke to find its way out through the only opening—the door.

Formerly the fellahin were all slaves, but now the poorest fellah is exempt from compulsory labor, as soon as he can read and write. Early in life these people are active and intelligent, but later on they grow discouraged. It is hard for them to earn a living, and so crude is the government, and so avaricious the officers that often their land is seized, and their lost penny taken to pay exorbitant taxes. Such gross injustice changes all the amiability of the fellahin's nature, into sullenness and obstinacy.

A better day is dawning for Egypt. English supremacy will carry into that neglected degenerated land, the rejuvenating English language, and such civilizing and christianizing, forces that the effort to build up a nation on this historic ground, will be no longer an attempt to make "bricks without straw." Before many decades have rolled around, churches and school-houses will dot the delta and valley of the Nile; under the shadow of the pyramids, the gospel will be preached; out of the ruins of Carnak a university will be constructed, and this country, which was the first to shield the world's great Savior from the frenzy of an angry king, will again "blossom as the rose," and become the protector of time, the beautiful and the good.

WATKINS GLEN, N. Y.

Believing that the Fraternity will be interested in learning something of Watkins Glen, where the General Convention will meet on the 20th, 21st, and 22nd days of August, of this year, we reprint from the "Summer Excursion Book," recently issued by the Passenger Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad, a brief statement of the natural beauties of that romantic spot. It is hoped that many members will avail themselves

of the opportunity to visit the place under the favorable and pleasant auspices of a Delta Tau Delta convocation. The Glen itself offers, as will be seen, abundant inducement to spend a week or two in recreation from the effort and fatigue of a year's close application to business and study; and when there are offered, in addition all the inducements of a Delta convention, we may, indeed, expect a large gathering of Del-tas, under-graduates, and graduates as well, who, we think, will feel amply repaid for their visit.

"Watkins Glen is a deep and rugged ravine, ascending between two long ranges of low hills, on the west side of Seneca Lake valley. The remarkable forms assumed by the riven rocks, the rich foliage of the encircling forest, and the cascades on the falling stream, unite to make this the most charming of American glens. The Glen is several miles in length, but consists properly of a number of glens, or sections, which have been given distinctive names, and which form a series of rocky arcades, galleries and grottoes. A limpid stream of mountain water flows through the Glen, having a fall from first to last of eight hundred feet, and presenting a constant succession of beautiful cascades and rapids. Of these Rainbow Falls is, perhaps, the next interesting. With the bright sheen of a summer day playing on the rising mists, the scene is frequently clothed in rainbow tints, but nowhere with such brilliant hues or perfect arch as at Rainbow Falls, and the hour of four, on every afternoon, finds a crowd of guests worshipping at its shrine far in the depths of Watkins Glen. Of the many chambers the Cathedral is, perhaps, the most imposing. This is an immense amphitheatre, with walls of solid rock, rising to the perpendicular height of three hundred feet, while the forest trees, with which the top is fringed, stretch their arms far over the yawning gulf. Into this mighty chasm the waters spring with a frightful leap, bathing its sides with feathery spray, then quietly spreading over the rocky floor. The atmosphere, even on the hottest day, is cool and moist. Trees of primeval growth, hardy shrubs, and luxuriant

vines cling in wild forms of beauty to the interstices of the rock, reflecting their rich foliage in the emerald pools beneath, while far above is seen the bright, blue sky. At times the rich sunlight reflected from cliff to cliff, clothes all with a soft, mellow glow. It was the remark of Bayard Taylor that he had never met with scenery more beautiful and romantic than that to be found in the wonderful Glen."

The three principal hotels are, the Glen Mountain House, for 260 guests; the Glen Park Hotel, for 250 guests, and the Lake View Hotel, accommodating 100 guests. The Glen is located at the southern end of Seneca Lake; at its northern end is Geneva, the seat of Hobart College, well and favorably known as one of the smaller eastern sectarian colleges. Geneva can be reached most readily by steamer from Watkins Glen, affording a delightful sail on the lake.

The Pennsylvania Railroad offers several different excursion routes to and from Watkins Glen, over its own and the connecting roads, viz: Excursion 16, over the Pennsylvania Railroad, via Harrisburg, returning by same route; No. 16 A, also by the Pennsylvania Railroad; No. 229, via P. R. R., D. L. & W. R. R., and N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R., by way of Delaware Water Gap, in both directions; No. 78, by the P. R. R., and P. & R. R. R., via Williamsport, Pa. No. 230, to Watkins, by way of Delaware Water Gap, returning by way of Williamsport; No. 645, by the Pennsylvania Railroad, via Harrisburg, returning via Seneca Lake, and the N. Y. C. and H. R. R. R., and the Peoples' Line of Hudson river steamboats to New York. These are only a few of the many routes over the Pennsylvania Railroad, but also over the Lehigh Valley Railroad and the New York Central and the Hudson River Railroad. Our friends from the west can reach Buffalo by way of the lakes, and thence go to Geneva by the New York Central Railroad, and thence by steamer to the Glen. All of these summer excursion tickets are sold at reduced rates; are good until October 31st of this year, and usually convey "stop-over" privileges for almost any point.

Full details of all of these routes, giving price of tickets at various points, can be found in the "Summer Excursion Book of the Pennsylvania Railroad," which can be obtained by enclosing six cents postage to J. R. Wood, Gen. Pass. Agent Penna. Railroad, Philadelphia, Pa. It will be found to be an invaluable aid to those who contemplate attending the convention, as it will enable them to select the most interesting routes, and do so at a minimum of expense.

THIRD GRAND DIVISION CONFERENCE.

The First Annual Conference of the Third Grand Division is to day a thing of the past, but not its influence and results. It is safe to say, that never before has the Third Division contained a more enthusiastic body of Deltas. The fifty one delegates and Alumni present, returned to their Chapters and homes, fully realizing how good it is to be a Delta Tau, and strongly convinced of the benefits and worth of Division Conference in general.

The success and pleasant acquaintances formed in this, the first conference of this division, gives assurance that they will certainly be kept up. The ball was set in motion on Thursday, May 29th, at 2:30 p. m., by the arrival of Brother C. W. Mann, of Beta Beta. Later in the day, the ranks were reinforced by the arrival of the Epsilon delegates in good force. The reception of the visiting Brothers in Kappa Hall, in the evening, passed off pleasantly and quietly.

The next morning brought the delegations from Iota and Delta. It is to be regretted that none of the members of Phi or Beta Zeta were able to be present.

The Convention was called to order at 10 a. m., Friday, by Brother B. J. Arnold, of K, '84. The election of officers for the permanent organization resulted as follows:

President—W. S. Summers, *A*.

Vice Presidents—Lynn Bonham, *I*, and C. W. Mann, *B B*.

Secretary—L. E. Dow, *K*.

Assistant Secretary—G. G. Scranton, *E*.

The address of welcome, by Brother O. W. Waldron, Kappa, was responded to by Brother W. S. Summers, of Delta. Both were excellent and full of true Delta spirit.

After the appointment of various committees, the Convention listened to an interesting and carefully prepared paper, by Brother Mann, of Beta Beta, upon "The Position of Delta Tau Delta Among the Fraternities."

The afternoon session was occupied in listening to reports from the Chapters. Brother Joe Cummins, of Kappa, presented a paper on "The Past of the Fraternity, with its Lessons for the Future;" and Brother A. G. Pitts, of Delta, a paper on "Plans for Extension." Both these exercises were exceedingly interesting and full of valuable information, showing careful study and preparation.

At 5 o'clock the Convention adjourned to the Court House steps, where an excellent "photo" of all present was taken.

The first business of the evening was the reading and adopting the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, after which Brother J. M. Whitney, of Epsilon, read a paper on "The Model Chapter." This was the last of the several interesting and instructive papers read before the Conference. They all showed careful preparation, a deep interest and thorough insight into Fraternity affairs. They furnished one of the most enjoyable and instructive features of the Convention. Those which are appropriate for publication will doubtless appear in THE CRESCENT. The discussions of the evening were heartily entered into by several of Kappa's resident Alumni, among whom were Judge O. A. Janes, '68, Prof. A. E. Haynes, '75, Prof. John S. Copp, one of the founders of the Chapter, Channey F. Cook and F. H. Stone. They gave some good advice as to how the Alumni could be interested, and also spoke very earnestly of the pleasures and value of the Fraternity life. Their reminiscences of their early days in the Chapter were very interesting, at times amusing. At

10 o'clock the Conference adjourned to Smith's Hotel, to take part in the sumptuous banquet spread for the occasion. After recuperating their waning powers, by freely partaking of the good things, the company listened to a number of toasts, all of which received hearty applause. Judge O. A. Janes, Kappa, '68, acted as Toast Master. All then indulged in a grand "walk around," when the company retired, each one feeling satisfied with himself and everyone else.

Saturday morning the Conference assembled at 9 o'clock, and took up the miscellaneous business of the Conference. Among other things of interest which were discussed, was the question of having a Division Lecturer, and a committee was appointed to bring the matter before the National Convention.

The Conference came to a final adjournment at 12 M.

The next Conference will be held with Chapter Beta Beta, at Greencastle, Ind., on April 29th, 30th and May 1st, 1885, the officers of which will be:—

President—W. O. Carrier, Epsilon.

Vice Presidents—J. H. Hamilton, Phi; Jos Cummins, Kappa.

Secretary—Oliver Matson, Beta Beta.

Assistant Secretary—J. L. Dawson, Iota.

The following Brothers were present:

DELTA.—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

A. G. Pitts, '85; W. S. Summers, '84; E. F. Saunders, '86; F. Cook, '86; Nat Deagan, '86; J. C. Shaw, '86; C. H. Prescott, '87.

EPSILON.—ALBION.

J. M. Whitney, '84; Vin Swarthout, '85; G. W. Healey, '85; H. C. Morris, '85; H. Weed, '87; G. G. Scranton, '86; N. A. Cole, '86; T. J. Martin, '87.

IOTA.—MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL.

Lynn Bonham, '84; — Dawson, '85; C. B. Collingwood, '86; — Hayes, '87.

KAPPA.—HILLSDALE.

C. E. Root, '84; O. W. Waldron, '84; B. J. Arnold, '84; J. F. Thompson, '85; F. Smith, '85; Jos. Cummins, '85; W. H. Wagner, '85;

L. E. Dow, '85; F. N. Dewey, '86; E. L. Mills, '86; H. P. Parmelee, '86; S. B. Harvey, '86; W. Kitchen, '87; S. W. Bell, '87; F. W. Corbitt, '87; W. M. Spears, '87; W. E. Heck-enliely, '87; H. A. Parker, '87.

BETA BETA.—DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

C. W. Mann, '85.

VISITING ALUMNI.

H. A. Fitzsimmons, Delta, '83, Reading, Michigan; James Gallaher, Kappa, '79, Delta, '81, Hillsdale, Michigan; Chauncy Cook, Kappa, '77, Delta, '79, Hillsdale, Michigan; O. L. Waller, Kappa, '83, Delta, '84, Dexter, Mich.; W. O. Carrier, Epsilon, '83, Homer, Mich.; F. H. Stone, Kappa, '76, Hillsdale, Mich.; Prof. A. E. Haynes, Kappa, '75, Hillsdale, Michigan; Prof. John S. Copp, Kappa, '69, Hillsdale, Mich.; Judge O. A. Janes, Kappa, '68, Hillsdale, Mich.; M. J. Davis, Kappa, '83, Waldron, Mich.; H. A. Myers, Kappa, '83, Cooperstown, Pa.; Otto Fowle, Kappa, '75, Sault St. Marie, Mich.

FROM AN ALUMNUS OF THE MU.

It may be strange, but though strange, nevertheless true, that it does not very often happen that any history interests us so much as the record of our own careers. And, as we may be interested in the perusal of a letter that a friend has some time received from our own hand, so we may at times be equally pleased with a retrospect of what we have hoped for, and what we have wrought.

It is hard for me to realize that just five years ago, June 3, 1879, the Mu Chapter of the *Δ T Δ* Fraternity was established at the Ohio Wesleyan University. The intervening years have passed swiftly along, but each successive one has been an epoch in the history of our Chapter. It may be stated with equal truthfulness that the date just cited was the beginning of an epoch, too, in the history of fraternity circles at the University—the beginning of a reformation. For several years the standard of qualification for membership had been so lowered, and the

true merits of our Greek Letter Societies so depreciated that many smart, excellent men had shrunk from accepting proffered membership, as if in danger of incurring infamy and reproach. Owen Meredith says that:

"He who seeks but one thing in life, and but one,
May hope to achieve it ere life is done."

I suppose that what he has written of the individual may be applied equally as well to the body. I believe that this has unconsciously been our maxim through all the years. At first there were but six of us, from Freshman, and two "Peps;" but never were as many young fellows made acquainted with the "secret things" of any college fraternity who had more honest motives, and were more determined in purpose, than were those boys when they were initiated, on that beautiful June day evening. Honorable success and manly prestige among fraternity men was the one *desideratum*. By some, at first, we were greeted kindly; others conformed merely to the demands of courtesy, while still others seemed to recognize in us only a band of presumptive speculators, who had stolen upon them like a disagreeable night-mare, and, gipsy-like, would disappear with the first change of whim, or turn of fortune. But we had "come to stay," and stay we did. Before the end of the third year the Mu had attained a position of eminence that her rivals were all bound to respect, and which some of the oldest might have been proud to seek. To-day she has on her roll-book the names of many scores of loyal members, while *Δ T Δ*'s, O W U alumni is a body of men of which any similar organization might well be proud.

At the convention held in Chicago, October, 1880, the Mu was made Grand Chapter of the Second Grand Division, which position she has held ever since, and still maintains the same official rank. Her relations, both official and otherwise, with her sister chapters, have always been of the pleasantest character. Especially has she been noted for the degree of harmony existing within her own circle. Her history has,

in some respects, been rather a remarkable one, remarkable in point of enthusiasm, of success, and of power. Now, these elements are usually the legitimate outcome of some discoverable reason. The order from cause to effect is just as manifest in fraternity jurisprudence as in any other sphere in the world.

The things that have *not* happened to this Chapter have unquestionably been of more consequence in moulding her career, than the things that have happened—or, in other words, what she has *not* done, has proved of greater moment than all that she has ever done.

In the first place, her charter members were *not* a half dozen unstable boys; in the second place, her ranks have *not* been recruited through these years from among mere boys; and in the third place, her conduct before men has *not* continually been rendered ridiculous because of its boyishness. True, she has not always been infallible in her choices, but, however often she may have blundered, it has ever been a part of her creed to choose *manly* men, or none. The first and highest requisite she has relentlessly imposed upon every aspirant to “mystic honors,” is, first, “show thyself a man;” a man in integrity, a man in scholastic ability; above all, a man in royal gentility. Just so long as this high standard, once set up, is sustained, will the alumni and non active members be interested in and earnest for their Chapter, but no longer. And I verily believe that the dearth of enthusiasm that to-day is so painfully manifest on the part of the alumni throughout the general fraternity, is largely due to the fact that men once brought into contact with the real “rush, and gush, and slush,” of life, become forever disgusted with the peurile fantasies of inexperienced, indiscreet, active members.

If the alumni give liberally at the call of the Chapter, for money, it is but natural that they should expect a sensible and economical appropriation of their gifts. If they work to keep alive the best interests of the Chapter by procuring desirable candidates before they enter col-

lege, there must be some assurance that such persons will find the Chapter all that it has been represented to be. And, after all that has been said and written on the subject, I might add, if it is demanded of us, that we give our voluntary and hearty support to the Fraternity’s official organ, we have a right to expect equal consideration from those responsible, by receiving the journal at a seasonable time, full of thought and items in keeping with the dignity accorded to such a publication.

Whether the Fraternity be extended north or south, east or west, I have failed to see that direction alone can possibly make any difference. But it can never be all that it ought to be, and all that it may be, unless its Chapters are confined exclusively to first-class institutions of learning. And if it be necessary to apply the pruning-knife here to-day, then to-morrow a new Chapter may burst forth, Phoenix-like, brighter, better, stronger than was that whose ashes are left behind.

Guided by such principles, long live the MU; long live Delta Tau Delta!

G. P. A., MU, '83.

Sciotaville, Ohio, June 3, 1884.

THE MODEL CHAPTER.

BY REV. J. M. WHITNEY.

To my mind this signifies one that may be imitated. One perfect, not ideally, but practically so. A pattern that may be closely and safely followed. But it must be more than a pattern. It must be a practical illustration or example. Pattern implies form. Example more than form. It embraces every essential quality of the thing represented. Hence, I apprehend my duty is to set before you as vivid and perfect a portraiture of a typical Chapter, as my limited ability and time will admit. In so doing, allow me to ask you careful consideration of a Chapter from its incipency, up through its growth and practical workings, till complete and symmetrical it stands as “a thing of beauty and a joy forever.” And as we proceed, 'tis possible

that we may discover that here and there a link from the golden chain is missing, which lack makes a felt want and implies, that though perfection be possible, it has not yet been attained.

The first requisite for a model Chapter is a model institution in which to plant it. Soil is by no means the only requisite, but *soil is indispensable*. You may subject choice plants to improved scientific culture, yet unless you have proper soil in which to grow them, you will either have inferior fruit, or none at all.

Place one of our *best Fraternities*, such as the Delta Tau Delta, in an inferior college, though the institution itself may be honored, yet the degradation of the order is inevitable. Grammar Schools and "one-horse" colleges may have lyceums, but they never can support a first-class Fraternity.

Any institution whatever, whether it be college or university, local or national, under the control of Church or State; *any* institution, so long as it gives satisfactory evidence of *growth*, not that it merely lives; any institution that throbs with the progressive spirit of the age and keeps step with the march of mind; any institution that attracts, cultures, graduates *men*—such an institution furnishes soil peculiarly adapted to Fraternity growth in general and Deltaism in particular.

N. B.—All this desirable soil does not lie within the unpreempted sections of the Adirondack and Allegheny slopes.

The model Chapter is secured by initiating *men*. It is self-evident that if you would get something out of an enterprise, *something* first must be put in. And it may be safely asserted that the prestige, work and influence of any Chapter is no higher, or greater, than the average worth, ability and loyalty of its members. When we say *men* we use the term in a broad sense—as to age. Certainly maturity, not simple pubescence, is demanded. Men and not boys. This is in harmony with that wise suggestion (it ought to be a law) not to initiate from the ranks and file of preps. Again, in

order to be a worthy Delt., and do honor to a Chapter, they must be men of morals, intelligence and society. Whenever all these essentials are wanting in a man, good society always repudiates him, much more so does the model Chapter. Should one of these essential traits be absent, the candidate is disqualified. Should he lack the first, he is deemed unsafe; the second, and he becomes a reproach; and if he lacks the third, he fails to fulfill one of the chief ends for which our Fraternity exists.

Did I feel called upon to moralize, I would say that we make a mistake in selecting mere points and lines, instead of spheres, triangles and parallelograms; *i. e.*, we too often select men upon one single qualification, regardless of all others. Supposing a fellow to be as moral as the Levitical code, it by no means follows that he would make a good Delt., for he may not have sufficient gumption to make a decent Ostiarius, nor sociability enough to be tolerable. He may be a devoted student, but not a loyal Frater; for the probabilities are, if he is a one-sided man, that he will be so devoted to his hobby that he will dub Chapter work and society a bore, and consider conventions, etc., as ranking among the never-to-be-thought-of. Again, on the other hand, he may be a great society man, or be either a "dude" or a "rake."

Would you have a first-class Chapter? Select first class men; good, all-around men; picked men. *Select!* Do not take them as they run. Choose men because they are desirable, and not because somebody else desires them. Choose *loyal* men, who will love their Chapter *much*, but the Fraternity *more*. Select energetic, whole-souled, well-informed men, who are not afraid to stir and be stirred, whose hearts are more than a bundle of intellections, and somewhat warmer than a Siberian icicle, and whose range of vision will not be circumscribed by their Chapter walls. Such as these come chiefly from the Freshmen and Sophomore classes; rarely from the Juniors; from the Senior class *never*.

A Chapter home is indispensable. Without it no Chapter can be truly successful. Gypsies may thrive under a nomadic regime; a tramp may accommodate himself to a dry goods box, but the existence of a family implies a home.

The model Chapter either owns its Chapter house, (which by far is most preferable) or has under its control, for a term of years, a neat and pleasant, if not an elegant and expensively furnished, suite of rooms. Among the various, useful and ornamental, indispensable and attractive articles, which go to make up the furniture and decorations of every well-ordered Chapter home, there will be found a neat case stored with choice selections of Fraternity literature, including, of course, a complete file of *THE CRESCENT*.

Now, having determined its location, arranged its habitat, and described the essential characteristics of its membership, let us, in the next place, take a glance at the practical workings of a model Chapter. One of its most noticeable features is the regularity of its sessions. No petty occurrence is able to disturb its equanimity, or prevent its assembling. Each week, with the regularity of the Sabbath, it convenes, and only absolutely uncontrollable circumstances are able to postpone or curtail its sessions. And when in session, from the fall of the gavel till adjournment, careful attention is paid to the business on hand; for our model Chapter does not slouch through its order of business in a careless manner, which tends to unfit her fellows for the practical in life, but she insists upon everything being performed decently and in order; yet, at the same time, provides a special order and ample time for jolly social enjoyment.

The model Chapter looks after her finances and keeps square, both with the world and the general Fraternity. She is careful in the selection of her S. A., who invariably represents her in each issue of *THE CRESCENT*, and is on hand with a carefully prepared report at each Division Conference and Annual Convention. She

sees to it that she is well represented in every conference and convention, defraying the entire legitimate expenses of her delegates to the Annual Convention, thereby securing the best possible representation, since it is not conditioned upon individual wealth nor awarded to the lowest bidder.

The model Chapter insists upon her members wearing the Fraternity colors and pin. She requires the attendance of each Frater upon all of her sessions, and insures this by attractive surroundings, appreciable benefits and prompt discipline. She succeeds in placing *THE CRESCENT* in the hands of her members and Alumni. Our pattern society feels the need and appreciates the importance of securing the hearty co-operation of, and maintaining a continued correspondence with her graduate members. This she accomplishes in various ways, but mainly by an ably conducted Chapter paper. Time fails me to speak of her great intellectual advantages, her long-to-be-remembered initiations, and her sumptuous symposiums. But, before I close, permit me to mention one or two things which are necessary to bring the model Chapter to perfection—a collection of Fraternity songs—those greatly needed, long desired, much talked of, and oft promised, Fraternity odes. All admit if we, as a Fraternity, ever become great, enthusiastic, and thoroughly loyal, we must make and sing our own songs. The songs are made where? Oh! where is the compilation?

The second great need of the model Chapter, felt in common with all Chapters, is a Division Lecturer—a lecturer selected by the Division Conference, the choice to be approved by the Annual Convention, said lecturer a resident of the division which he represents, whose duty it shall be to visit each Chapter yearly, or oftener, lecturing upon the origin, history, design, practical workings, unwritten law, etc., of our Fraternity. Should this be denied, the model Chapter has no other alternative than of providing its own lecturer, for she is bound to go on to perfection.

AMONG THE CHAPTERS.

To the Alpha, the past year has brought abundant success. The hope of years has at last been realized, and one of the finest suite of rooms in the city have been elegantly furnished as a home for the Chapter. Six good men have been initiated during the year, and the Chapter is strong in the true spirit of Deltaism.

Omicron reports unusual interest in Fraternity matters, and close application during the year to the true work of the Chapter. Omicron seems to be an oratorical Chapter, a Delta having secured first place in the recent Junior contest.

Chapter Nu still maintains a high position among the strong Fraternities of Lafayette. She graduates some fine men this year, but will begin the next term's work with strong and earnest men.

Chapter Rho celebrated the tenth anniversary of her establishment, June 11th, by an informal banquet. Rho's course has been one of unbroken prosperity, of which the past year has been no exception.

Chapter Lambda has refitted her hall, making it still more attractive by a new carpet and several more chairs. \$45,000 has been recently added to the endowment fund of the institution, and the Chapter has bright promises of the future.

Chapter Upsilon has initiated four men during the year, has handsomely furnished two comfortable rooms, and successfully maintained her position at Rensselaer among the strong rivals she has had to encounter. At the beginning of the year she joined with Rho in the publication of the *Chronicle*, the beneficial results of which she already begins to experience. At no previous time has our Chapter at Rensselaer been in a better condition.

Chapter Gamma begun the year with five men, which number she has doubled by the careful selection of five good men, distributed as follows: Seniors 2, Juniors 2, Sophomores 1,

Freshmen 4, and one sub. The college has more students enrolled than at any former time, and everything predicts a bright future for the Chapter.

Epsilon has been particularly active in Fraternity work during the past year. She has remodeled her hall, making it a very desirable Chapter home. Vol. I, No. 1, of the *Epsilon Star*, whose receipt we acknowledged in the last number of *THE CRESCENT*, speaks for itself. The Chapter is entirely free from debt, and will begin the next year with 14 men.

Chapter Kappa, under the healthy influence of two new rivals, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi, has spent a very successful year. Her new hall has been furnished in elegant style and is an acquisition to the Fraternity. During the year, nine men have been initiated, making the present membership 19. The first conference of the Third Division was held under the auspices of this Chapter and was a grand success.

Chapter Beta Zeta has been so often reported dead by our exchanges, that it affords us no little pleasure to make the following statement of its present condition. The real work of the year was begun with only two men, but by their untiring efforts six good men have been initiated. The choice of members has been wise and considerate, and Delta Tau Delta's position at Irvington is now assured. Great credit is due to the efforts of Brothers Phillips and Stone in bringing about this result.

Chapter Xi sends us an excellent report. In the home Oratorical Contest, two members of Xi took first and second place, respectively, and represented their college as orator and delegate at the State Oratorical Contest. The only other honor taken at this college was by a lady. Eli Perkins lectured before the Chapter March 15th. The eleventh anniversary of the Chapter was recently celebrated.

Chapter Psi, although somewhat weakened by the graduation of eight fine men in last year's class, has worked well and earnestly during the past year for Delta Tau Delta. She has now 15.

men, who are acknowledged to be among the best in the university. In literary work, the Chapter is said to excel. Two men graduate this year.

Chapter Theta graduated eight men in June, but will, nevertheless, begin next year strong in numbers and purpose. Bethany being the birthplace of our order, it is especially pleasant to note the care manifest by the present Chapter to maintain the standing and reputation of the Fraternity.

Chapter Mu during the year has secured and furnished a new hall, thus realizing the ambitions of years. Her new quarters consist of two large rooms, separated by a commodious ante-room. These new acquisitions being entirely paid for, the Chapter can, indeed, congratulate herself on the year's work. Besides this, she has paid into the General Fraternity, including THE CRESCENT, \$48.00. The Chapter will begin the next year strong.

Chapter Beta Beta has succeeded in maintaining her high position at DePauw, and, although the Chapter has had some internal discords, we are happy to note that everything is now harmonious and fraternal. The Chapter is almost entirely free from debt, and is strong in the possession of nine good men.

Chapter Iota reports eighteen good men, two of them being initiates of the year. The Chapter is free from debt, has an excellent hall, secured during the past year, and is in every way strong and prosperous.

Chapter Zeta has initiated no men during the year, but reports several fine men pledged, who will be ushered into the Delta world at the beginning of next term. The Chapter is by no means weak, although it is low in numbers and has been reported dying, in several of our exchanges. During the coming year, we may confidently expect Zeta to become one of our strong Chapters.

Chapter Beta Theta was established on June 23d, 1883, and the report of this, her first year, is truly encouraging. Her present membership is 14. She is in possession of the finest Fraternity halls in the university, stands high in the school and among her rivals, and in every way shows bright promises for the future.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

ALPHA.—ALLEGHENY.

At the last meeting of last term we had the pleasure of initiating Harry Stowe, of Garrettsville, Ohio. Harry is a good student, a universal favorite, and has in him the right sort of stuff for a good Delta.

The fever of expectation and subdued excitement that has for some time past prevailed in the college, has at length been satisfied (?) with the publication of a pamphlet called the *Renovator*, by the senior preparatory class. Its witty sayings and good points are numerous, while it contains a great amount of vituperation. We can scarcely believe that many of the sketches were written by the editors themselves.

Five of the class have been "rusticated," this form of punishment being the lightest penalty the faculty could give, doubtless realizing that the editors were among the brightest and best workers in their department.

Some bill-posting has been indulged in, one of which contained a mean attack upon a senior of a rival fraternity; another called an expectant crowd from the city and college to witness an old-time performance on the college campus, but the bills proved a fraud, and the multitude, after looking around for the perpetrators of the joke, left the campus, which was placed in charge of a few of the valiant State police, with orders likely to have no mercy on any student posting bills, but the students knowing this, if they attempted anything, probably went in a crowd of four or five, well knowing that the police would not contend with such tremendous odds in favor of the terrible students.

We are under very great obligations to Miss Sallie Welch, '84, for a beautiful banner presented to this Chapter, by her. It now graces the wall just above the W. P.'s chair, and it is a noticeable fact that his dignity and grace are very much endangered by attempting to turn his head to look at it and the boys at the same time. Miss Welch is a member of the *K A Θ* Fraternity, whose colors it is an honor to wear.

Bro. Duff Merrick has returned from a visit among some of the adjacent colleges. His demoniac yell is the same as of yore.

Three out of four graduates will study law; Bro. Baldwin with his father, at Canton, Ohio; Bro. Plummer in Chicago, Bro. Guthrie in this city. Bro. Day will go into business.

Bro. Guthrie was recently called home by the death of his grandmother.

We are making big preparations for commencement week, having, on Tuesday afternoon, a formal dedication of our hall. On the same evening a dance will be held in the Richmond Hall, for Deltas and ladies. Wednesday night is our annual banquet. We hope to see a great number of our alumni, as this is the twenty-first year for Delta Tau Delta at Allegheny. While we earnestly urge our own alumni to be present, we do not wish to pass the members of other Chapters by, but assure all who can come will receive a hearty welcome.

Perhaps it may be interesting to some of the alumni to know something of our headquarters. With this purpose in view, we will attempt a description. Our suite of rooms, situated in the Richmond Block, one of the finest brick buildings in the city, has seven windows fronting on Chestnut street, and nearly opposite the postoffice. The three large rooms, with ante and cloak rooms, give us plenty of room, not only to put an initiate through, but also to hold our socials, for which we have not a little credit among the young ladies of the city. The lodge room proper, on which we spent the most care and money, presents a picture of comfort and elegance. The walls are covered with rich gilt paper, and the ceiling, (which is seventeen feet high,) is decorated in a manner which is simply gorgeous. On one side is a fire-place and handsome mantle, while on the opposite side, and directly fronting this, are the large doors, which, being opened to their fullest extent, give a free passage-way of ten feet, a very convenient arrangement for our parties. The three windows are hung with rich red tapestries, with polished brass mountings,

while the shades, ornamented with the Coat-of-Arms of the Fraternity, show to the passer on the street our "colors." Over the mantle hangs a beautiful steel-plate engraving, presented us by the $\Phi A \Psi$ ladies fraternity, of the city. At the end opposite the windows, and directly over the W. P.'s chair, is a handsome banner, the gift of Miss Sallie Welsh, one of the graduates of this year. The banner is worked in old gold and black, the colors of the $K A \theta$, of which Fraternity Miss Welsh is a member. The carpet is a rich velvet, whose predominating color is red. The furniture, consisting of one dozen chairs, two sofas, a W. P.'s chair, Secretary's table, a table for water service, and the altar, are of heavy walnut, with heavy plush trimmings. On the altar is a handsome (O, how feeble are commonplace adjectives,) altar fall of royal purple, silk plush, and silver gray cord, a present from Misses Davis and Derrickson. The silver water service, (presented a few years ago by Bro. Pierce,) rests on an elegant banner, given us by a lady in Cleveland, one of Bro. Day's friends. When the gas is lighted, and the fire burning, and the faces of our brothers are there, it makes (as one of our alumni says,) a picture so attractive that he could not stay away. The middle room is kalsomined in colors, and the floor waxed, making an elegant place to dance, the floor being just large enough for sixteen couples, comfortably. The third room, not as large as the others, is fitted up for a reading room, and a cozy place it is; a nice writing desk, and the tables covered with the leading periodicals of the day, and all the Fraternity publications. The cloak and ante rooms are large and convenient, and all approached by a private stairway, from which is a private entrance to the ball-room, (formerly the Opera House), where our commencement dance will be held this year.

We hear many rumors to the effect that our rival Fraternities are going to fix up rooms, and we wish them much success.

Base ball has almost superseded everything here. The college has no nine proper, but our interest is all centered in the town club, in which

four of the students play. Bro. Powers, who was with us a year ago, is the regular catcher, and is a great favorite. Indeed, it is rumored that his services were sought by the Buffalo club.

Bro. Guthrie won the oration prize, in connection with Allegheny Literary Society.

Bro. Bryan spent a few days with us, on his return from Chicago.

K A Θ (ladies) have recently added to their strength by initiating the Misses Goff, Scott and Jones. We wish to congratulate both, the Fraternity and the initiates.

BETA.—OHIO UNIVERSITY.

After a considerable period of silence, Beta once more greets THE CRESCENT.

We have been working quietly in the interests of Deltaism, but our work has been done efficiently. *adwin D.*

Our last initiate was Edmund Sayre, the work of our last meeting. Bro. Sayre stands at the top among his class, and will be a credit to the Chapter.

In the contest between the Athenian and Philomathean societies, which takes place June 23, of commencement week, there are but two Frats. represented, *Δ T Δ* and *K A Θ*. The Deltas have three of the contestants, the Kappas the remaining three.

Beta's men are scattered around in different places through this section, and in most instances occupy positions of responsibility.

We are cheered by the record that Beta has made in the past, and, although we may freely admit that our membership is low at present, yet the turn in the tide of fortune of the Ohio University has now set so surely and strongly toward prosperity, that the future of our Chapter can not fail to brighten with each succeeding year.

For a long period the State seems to have forgotten that her first public institutions of learning had any claims upon her. Thus neglected, the O. U. moved on in a comatose condition for some time. Lately a much warmer interest has been taken by the Legislature of the State in the

State Universities, and the public seems more inclined to favor the idea of a State University. There is no reason why Ohio, standing as she does, in a commanding position in the politics and business of the country, should not challenge respect by a State University worthy of the confidence of the State. One of the immediate results of this renewed interest in the educational standing of the State has been the thorough remodeling and equipment of the O. U. She is now in the best condition in her history, for thorough work. Her buildings have been remodeled, her laboratories thoroughly refitted, her corps of professors may challenge comparison with any in the State. This improvement in the condition of the college has already begun to tell upon the attendance. Next year will, in all probability, bring the largest attendance of students here since the war. These are matters that will have an important influence upon Chapter Beta.

Bro. Hamilton A. Hunter, of the class of '81, delivers the Master's oration at commencement, this year. The wise ones whisper that shortly thereafter the *K A Θ*'s will lose one of their alumni members. Joy and peace be with the happy pair.

Bro. H. F. Ackers, of New Lexington, was upon the campus last Tuesday. He was attending the Congressional Convention for the Fourteenth District, held in this place June 17.

Bro. T. B. White was called home suddenly, last Tuesday, by the death of his mother.

BETA BETA.—DEPAUW.

The second year of our existence has gone. Looking back, we see much accomplished.

During the first two terms we were in combination with *Δ K E*, *B Θ II* and the Barbs. When the papers expired, *B Θ II* made overtures for a new article, but we refused, and entered the party now composed of *Σ X*, *Φ Γ Δ*, *Φ Δ Θ*, *Φ K Ψ*, a Barb organization, and ourselves. We were enabled to carry the elections, and now hold our full quota of offices in each society.

Our first annual, the *Mirror*, appeared this

year. All the Fraternities except *Δ K E* were represented. As the editors managed it simply as an individual affair, her action created no little comment. In it are several peculiar errors. *Φ Γ Δ*, *K K Γ* and *K A Θ* each left out some resident members, and *B Θ H* has one man down as Freshman, who will appear in the catalogue as a member of '88.

We take pleasure in introducing to you our two new Delts., Bros. I. B. Blackstock, of Paxton, Ills., and Bro. J. E. McDaniel, both members of '86. They occupy the seats of Bros C. W. Mann, who left us for West Point Military Academy, and W. M. Crose, who went to Annapolis. In them we lost two of our best men. Bro. Mann stopped on his road to represent us at the Third Division Conference, at Hillsdale.

Bros. Oliver M. Matson and E. W. Chittenden have been elected our delegates to the convention at Watkins Glen.

Bro. F. F. Moore, *Σ*, '81, who delivers his Master's oration at Franklin College this year, paid us a visit May 22.

Bro. J. B. Curtis, of Indianapolis, attended our military commencement.

Since our last, B. B. has increased her roll by the addition of Bro. J. E. McDaniel, '86.

Bro. Will Crose left for the naval school, at Annapolis, on May 5th.

Bro. C. W. Mann starts for West Point on the 27th, stopping on his way at Hillsdale, for the Conference of the Fourth Division. In these we lose two of our best and most enthusiastic men.

Why do not more of the Chapters publish chapter papers? The *Rho Chronicle* and *Epsilon Star* have both cheered us, and, we think, have been productive of much good. These papers speak well of the enterprise of their respective Chapters, and serve to keep the alumni posted.

BETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Owing to the fact of the numbers of *THE CRESCENT* for May and June being merged into one, the letter which I now write represents the work of Beta Theta for those two months.

In the first place, I would make mention of our reception, held on the 15th of April last, and of which no account has yet appeared in *THE CRESCENT*. I think the best method of describing it, is by inserting here an extract from the *Cap and Gown*, our university paper, written by a prominent member of one of our sister Fraternities:

The charming and novel reception, given by the members of the Beta Theta Chapter of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, on the evening of the 15th ult., to the other members of the Greek world and to the ladies and professors at Sewanee, was certainly an event in the life of our university, and one long to be remembered with pleasure by all who were present. Delta Tau Delta, with true hospitality, opened wide the doors of her Chapter Hall, to extend to all who crossed her threshold a hearty welcome. The scene was brilliant and inspiring. The hall was tastefully decorated with banks of flowers arranged in the four corners of the room. The windows were hung with large curtains of raw silk, the walls adorned with pictures and the whole outfit, in tasteful and artistic keeping, did credit to the taste and enterprising spirit of this active and devoted Chapter. To add charm and grace to the entertainment, the Misses DuBose, Easter, and Quintard assisted in doing the honors of the occasion. Apart from the mere social feature of the evening, to our minds, the event was one which did much to promote a spirit of con-comity and good feeling among the several Fraternities at Sewanee, and speaks well for the progressive spirit of Delta Tau Delta. The social success of the reception was unequalled, and the toast which was oftenest repeated and drunk with more good will than any other, was that to Delta Tau Delta and the members of Beta Theta Chapter. The splendid collation of the evening was worthy of the occasion; and the kind attentions of every Delta, in seeing that the "inner-man" was not forgotten, were almost overwhelming. We congratulate the Fraternity upon the possession of so active a Chapter, and the Chapter upon the success of the evening.

GREEK.

The night after the reception, we discussed a banquet among ourselves, in a very jovial manner.

Work has been going on steadily since I last

wrote, and we have been glad to see papers and letters from several of our sister Chapters, with convention invitations, for which we return our best thanks, at the same time regretting our inability to be present.

The ΣX is making apparent preparations for a Chapter here, and $K A$ (Southern) has opened with a Chapter of six men.

We have taken in no new men since I last wrote, but are keeping our eyes open for all choice specimens.

We hope to send a man to the General Convention this year, and are making the most strenuous efforts to get ourselves duly represented.

$\Phi A \theta$ is building a very nice hall, and when it is completed it will, without doubt, be one of the prettiest little buildings on our mountain.

It is a striking instance of how Fraternities thrive at Sewanee, when I say that out of six Fraternities represented here, (I don't count ΣX , of course) five of them are comfortably provided with Chapter Halls.

We still continue to be on the most friendly terms with our sister Fraternities. I hope the time is yet very far off, when there shall be any dissension in our midst.

Our Commencement is drawing near. The dates are July 28th, August 3d, and we should be delighted to see any of our brethren on that, or any other occasion.

We would remind our Brothers, who are about to enjoy vacation, that we do not take our vacation here until the winter, and that Sewanee is accounted by the best authorities to be a most charming summer resort, and, therefore, we would most fraternally recommend our city Brothers to spend part of their summer with us.

We acknowledge, with thanks, the *Rho Chronicle*, etc., etc.

BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Beta Delta takes great pleasure in greeting her Sister Chapters the last time before they all, through their delegates, meet in a general "love feast," at Watkins Glen.

Fortune has smiled on us this year, and we are enabled to present to the Delta world some of the best men of our noble University. We say some of the best men, because we are here situated in the midst of six other enterprising Fraternities, and of course they will get a share of the good material, but we have got our share, and are satisfied. We are making steady strides in the cultivation of the "beautiful and the good," and it is with pleasure that we notice the healthful and commendable influence which has resulted from the moral atmosphere which we breathe. We will probably send two delegates to the Convention, knowing that by contact with brethren from other quarters, they will themselves become enthused, and return to us loaded with words of encouragement and good cheer, and we, taking inspiration from them, will make the year of 1884-'85 one of unparalleled success for Beta Delta. We hope that wise measures may be adopted at the Convention, and that a wave of enthusiasm and ardor for the good of old $A T A$ may be set in motion, which will sweep this fair land of ours from shore to shore.

We have had the good fortune, this year, to initiate eleven men to the mysteries of $A T A$, of whom we all are proud.

We have during the year made considerable additions to the furniture of our hall, and now we have quite a neat and comfortable place of meeting. Our honors have not been small in proportion to our numbers. Bro. J. W. Binns is one of the speakers elected to represent us in the Inter-Collegiate debate, between our University and Mercer University. Deltaism has already received an honor at the hands of Bro. E. P. Upshaw as spring debator. Bro. Upshaw, W. S., was elected as champion debator by his literary society, but being compelled to leave college on account of bad health, Bro. P. S. Willeoxon was elected to fill his place, and no doubt he will fully sustain the reputation of our body as speakers.

Bro. E. T. Whatley was awarded a speaker's place from the Sophomore class, on declamation.

Bro. Joe L. Gross was unanimously elected as Private Anniversarian of his society.

Bros. J. J. Kennedy and Gross have been editors of the *Reporter*, the college paper.

BETA ZETA.—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Owing to the inexperience I have had, connected with the Delta world, and as little practice as I have had in writing for papers, it is extremely difficult for me to attempt to write anything for the worthy CRESCENT which would prove interesting to its many readers. Still, I take great pleasure in announcing to the Greek world that we are still alive and flourishing. Our prospect for the future is excellent.

We are exceedingly pleased to introduce into the Delta fraternity Bros. E. P. Wise, Indianapolis, Ind., class of '86, and George W. Redman, Paris, Ill., class of '88.

We were pleasantly surprised, a few days ago, to receive a call from Bros. Mann, Johnson and Crose, all from Depauw, who were on their way to Hillsdale to attend the Division Conference.

It is amid shouts of hallelujah and praise to the Butler boys, that we announce to the readers of THE CRESCENT the result of a match game of foot-ball, played in Indianapolis, between Depauw and Butler, which terminated in a complete victory for our boys, they having won every goal. Boys, beware of Butler! We have a great amount of understanding, and are hard kickers.

Commencement once more stares us in the face, and we realize that we are soon to lose our old stand-by's, E. I. Phillips and J. F. Stone, class of '84. Although their college labors are soon to close, we trust their interest in the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity will not cease, and that the good work they have begun here may prove but a spark which, in the near future, will develop into a flame of fraternal peace and prosperity. They are both independent, energetic young men, and we wish them the greatest possible success as they start out from college life to battle with the difficulties of this wide world. Thus, it is with deep regret that we are so soon to witness the

departure of our worthy Brothers. But as we are called to separate, one by one, we trust others will step into their places and champion the glorious cause of truth, friendship and brotherly love.

CHI.—KENYON.

In regard to the "Problem" in the last CRESCENT, I would say, in the language of Delta Tau's poet, "Them's my sentiments, too." I would suggest that every delegate to the Convention read it, about the 20th of August.

Kenyon's great gala day has just passed, and a good time we had, if we were downed by the boys from Adelbert; and, the best part of it to us was, the presence for a night and day of four of Delta's sons. There is something that makes one feel good, when such boys as Kent and "Petty," of Zeta, and "Hug" and "Rothy," of Eta, make visits. Such calls create an enthusiasm which nothing else can do. A good, long, encouraging letter is splendid, but a good, hearty shake of two or three loyal Delta hands, beats it a long way. Let us visit more.

I trust it will not surprise you, when I say we have the names of no new initiates to report. But, if good luck, and the consequent success crown the efforts we are making, I think by September, '84, we can add something to our list.

To those of Chi's Alumni, who are interested, the *Reveille* can be sent you, postpaid, on the receipt of fifty cents.

Hoping there will be a time when Chi will have more news, I stop.

EPSILON.—ALBION.

Everything is lively about Albion. The spring catalogue will enroll at least 350 students, an increase over last year of about 100. The Deltas are busy, too, advertising Joseph Cook, who lectures for us again, May 27th, this time on the subject, "England and America as Competitors and Allies." Possibly, hereafter, Mr. Cook will give us a yearly lecture.

At last! Our long-promised paper, the Epsi-

lon *Star*, has made its *debut*. We don't blame Editor Morris for feeling as big as the editor of the New York *Tribune*, when we read the many encouraging words to the *Star*, written by Deltas all over the country.

Congratulations to Brother C. C. Landon and Miss G. Rorabacher, '83, and Brother L. W. Bacon, '82, and Miss Jessie Snell, '83. Why don't all the boys get married?

Brother Torrey has gone home, sick. '84 had better send down their class physician, if they do not want to lose a good man.

Brother Reed is obliged to board at home this term, so that four miles separates him from Delta meetings. We hope he will drop in now and then.

We are sorry to lose Brother Whitney, our W. P., and Brother Cox from our meetings; but they have gone in a good cause. Brother Cox is preaching for the Methodists, of Battle Creek, one of the three largest charges in the Michigan Conference. Brother Whitney is supplying the M. E. pulpit of Decatur.

Delta Tau Delta receives half the honors of the Erosopleian, and Ecclectic and Atheniaedes Society exhibitions. Brothers Abernethy and Martin represent the former; Brother Gordon, the latter.

Brother M. R. Carrier is missing from our number this term. He is in business at St. Johns.

We were pleased to strike hands with our old Frater, Willitts, who visited us (or rather his —) May 7th. Bro. W. is a book-keeper in Chicago. He expects to be with us again next fall.

Bro. C. H. Wray, who for some time has been studying at the University of Bonn, Germany, and traveling through Europe, has returned. From his warm Delta grip, we conclude that there are not enough Nihilists in Europe to annihilate his love for Delta Tau Delta.

There is a first-class opening in Albion for one or two more good fraternities. Mr. Earl of the Grand Council of ΣX , was here looking

over the ground a week ago. We have not learned the result of his trip.

Epsilon is looking forward to a glorious time at the Division Conference, which meets with Kappa, May 30th and 31st. May we not be honored with the presence of the Executive Council, and many Fraters outside the Third Division?

GAMMA.—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON.

We wish to present to the Fraternity our newly initiated Brothers—I. E. Harrington, of Pittsburgh, and J. M. McAdam, of Wheeling, W. Va., both of '87. They wear the old familiar badge gracefully, and will do honor to the cause of which it is a symbol.

Since our last letter, we have enjoyed a visit from several of the boys of Theta, the occasion being the annual olympic games of our college. Gamma was glad to see them, and hopes such visits will be frequent.

A very pleasant surprise, in the shape of a banquet, was given to the two Senior members, by the rest of our boys, on the evening of the last time we met them in the old hall. After much eating and drinking, the time was passed very pleasantly with songs, etc. We esteem this as a manifestation of the warm brotherly feeling which exists between us, and assure them that they will not be forgotten in after years.

Brother Newt. Reed was recently elected one of the five who compose the editing staff of the college paper.

A number of men have secured a charter for the establishment of a Chapter of ΣX , at Washington and Jefferson. They have not come out yet, but expect to appear with pins sometime before Commencement.

$B \theta \Pi$ seems to be breathing her last here, and rumor has it that she expects to resign her charter.

With this issue of THE CRESCENT, my duties as S. A. expire. My intercourse with the Fraternity, in general, has indeed been pleasant, and

my only regret is that I shall no longer labor as an active member for the good of Delta Tau.

Gamma expects to be represented at the next Convention.

I wish to introduce, as our next year's S. A., Brother Harry Alexander, whose address, during the summer, will be St. Clairsville, Ohio.

IOTA—MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL.

This is a busy week, for Saturday, May 10th, the term closes. Although the beginning of the term was the end of the long vacation, during which many of our Brothers were teaching, we had a large percentage at the first meeting. We have since been strengthened by several good men, and have brought two new ones into the fold. We now number eighteen actives, and work steadily "shoulder to shoulder" for the advancement of our Chapter and Fraternity.

Brother McCurdy, '81, who has been teaching at Old Mission, was with us for a few weeks, coming back to Iota as naturally as a son returns home. He has gone back to Old Mission to continue his school.

Brother J. I. Buck, once with '83, is with us and will graduate with '84.

We are looking forward, with pleasure, to the Division Conference. Every man who can go will be there. We have read, with pleasure, of other divisions in conference, and it increases our desire to do all in our power to make the Hillsdale meeting as worthy of our Fraternity.

How can the Chapters hold the interest of their Alumni? This is an old question, but it is constantly coming up and well worth discussing as one of the prime objects of the Fraternity. It would be a source of encouragement to hear from these Brothers through THE CRESCENT. It would do them good, and is the true way to hold the ground we are gaining through our actives. Why should not THE CRESCENT represent our college men in the world, as well as undergraduates in college? These Deltas in active life must feel some influence from days of active Fraternity work. Let us hear from all of them, and so draw closer in a real Brotherhood. Brothers, it is for you to speak.

KAPPA.—HILLSDALE.

Our letter for this number of THE CRESCENT will necessarily be quite short. For Hillsdale news we refer the Brothers to the report of the Third Division Conference, which we shared in common with our visiting fraters. It's a nice thing to go a visiting occasionally, but it's also a pleasure to have your friends come to see you. And to say that the Kappa boys enjoyed themselves hugely during the Conference would be but a mild statement of their feelings.

In looking back over the year we feel very well satisfied with our advancement as a Chapter, and with that of *A T A* as a Fraternity. Many things still need careful improvement, and we feel that they will certainly be attended to as fast as is expedient. With the principles and men that we see behind *A T*, we know that she cannot fail to advance.

We look forward to the National Convention with a great deal of interest, and trust that it will be a conference of representative Deltas. *K* will present a good delegation in numbers.

We take pleasure in introducing our last two initiates, Bros. W. E. Heckenlively of Ray., Ind., and Henry A. Parker, of Hillsdale, both of '87. We wish to express our thanks to the Brothers of the Third Division for their hearty co-operation in the plans and work of the conference.

LAMBDA.—LOMBARD.

The Chapter was represented at the Fourth Division Conference by the S. A., and to say that he had a grand time, would be mild. He was especially impressed with the excellence of Omicron occupying the highest place among the Fraternities of one of our best Western institutions, and hopes for a renewal of the many happy acquaintanceships formed in Iowa City. The conference was a big success, enabling the men of our division to know each other better. In this social way the conferences fill a field unoccupied without them, and one which must be filled in order that our progress may be symmetrical and homegeneous. Though widely scattered,

all of the Chapters save one were represented, and from Chapters outside the division were visiting Deltas. The Omicron's halls are most conveniently arranged for a gathering of this kind, being in the center of the city, and only a block from the college buildings. Next year we meet with B. H., Minneapolis, Minn. We have recently laid a new carpet in our hall, and added some new chairs, which makes our pleasant little hall look brighter and more cheerful.

At our last meeting we were the happy recipients of an elegant plush wall banner, with a spray of roses embroidered thereon, from Mrs. John Edwards, Minneapolis, Minn., for which the Chapter expresses heartfelt thanks. At a meeting of the alumni and friends of the college, held at the Palmer House, Chicago, May 8th, \$45,000 was added to the endowment fund.

Commencement night, June 18th, occurred, perhaps, the most enjoyable banquet in our history. It was held at the Union Hotel, and the *menu* was the best the season could afford. After the repast was finished, the following toasts were responded to: "Welcome," Bro. W. F. Small, '85; "Our Fraternity," Bro. C. L. Edwards, '84; "The Scholar," Rev. S. Crane; "The Graduate," Bro. E. Brunson, '74; "Auld Lang Syne," Bro. S. Kerr, '69; "The Ladies," Bro. G. M. Bronson, '84. The remaining hours of the 18th, and a few of the 19th, were spent in enjoying the mazy figures of the dance. The end came, and this, the brightest scene, was the closing scene of our college days.

With '84. Bros. Brunson and the Scribe have left. The former will study for the profession of medicine, and the latter will enter his father's office.

On June 23rd Bro. Chas. E. Brewster, '83, was married to Miss Fannie M. Edwards, at the home of the bride's father, Hon. John Edwards, Minneapolis, Minn. We extend to the happy couple, both of whom are so well known to the Chapter, our most sincere wishes for a bright, prosperous journey through the elysium of life so happily entered.

Bro. Henry O. Livingston, '80, is on the staff of the *Peoria Transcript*, as editorial writer. This is a merited promotion.

Bro. James W. Carney, '83, now in Tuft's Theological school, will spend the summer as pastor at North Anson, Maine.

MU.—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The Ohio Wesleyan catalogues 789 students this year. Out of the Senior class, 69 will be graduated. This is an unusually large number, and the coming classes promise to increase it still more.

Six Fraternities find it an easy matter to get a choice selection of men out of so many, and leave an ample reserve for any enterprising stranger who may desire to enter here and become a respectable rival; yet the Fraternities have a comparatively small membership, varying from ten to sixteen. Each has its peculiar characteristics, which might be summed up by the disinterested outsider, about as follows: *X Φ*, few in numbers, noted for good fellowship, fair students; *Φ K Ψ*, enthusiastic, aggressive, numerous; *B Θ Π*, hale fellows, well met; *Φ Γ Δ*, a strait betwixt two; *Φ Δ Θ*, *sui generis*; *Δ T Δ* is on reasonably good terms with all of them.

The *Bijou*, which has been promised for some time, is out, and the Chapters to whom the Mu is indebted for annuals already published, will be remembered in due time.

We lose five Seniors on the 26th of June. Their departure will be a heavy loss to us, for they are in every way a strong and representative set of men. Five Juniors are ready to take their places.

Although no mention has been made of honors received during the year, Delta Tau Delta has figured very prominently in almost everything offering inducements to the ambitious man. Brother D. A. Hayes was chief of the *Transcript* corps.

The height of our ambition, and the realization of all our hopes, was reached on the night that we moved out of the old "hole in the wall"

into our present suite of rooms. They have already been described in the special year report. We have had a practical demonstration of the fact, that a Chapter can never be closely united by the ties of brotherhood, until it secures an attractive place, where all will gladly come and join in the familiar "walk around," or some more agreeable pastime.

Saturday evening, June 7th, we were very agreeably surprised with a present of a large and beautiful oil painting, heavily framed, and sent "from the five" Senior ladies of the seminary. Being painted by one of the ladies herself, it was all the more appreciated.

I have not spoken of Delta Tau Delta at the seminary this year, but I feel safe in saying that she has been perfectly at home there.

Mu Chapter has never passed through a more prosperous year, or done better work. Every Chapter in the Second is on a firmer footing. The Conference at Akron yielded much fruit; but the impetus given the division, by the establishment of the new form of government, is such as has never been felt before. As the reins are drawn tighter, we begin to move faster. It has already been predicted, by one of our generous rivals, that under its present system of government, Delta Tau Delta is destined to be the greatest Fraternity in the West.

At the close of my term of office as G. S. A., it is gratifying to yield the quill to my successor, when the future of the division and Fraternity is so full of promises. Brother C. W. Durbin will begin where I left off.

NU.—LAFAYETTE.

Chapter Nu, although she has been unheard of for several issues, is not "one of the things of the past," at Lafayette, nor is she asleep. Quietly but securely has she been establishing herself here, and to-day claims an honorable position amongst her rivals, some of which are among the strongest Chapters of the strongest Fraternities in the country. Indeed, when we reflect upon the many obstacles our Chapter was

compelled to undergo since its establishment, we cannot help but wonder at our success. Nu will lose some of the best material she ever had when the present Senior class graduates, but there yet will remain good and active members, whose earnest endeavors shall be both to increase the prominence of our Chapter and Fraternity.

We lately had the pleasure of visits from Bros. McIlvaine and Price, from Chapter Pi. Bro. Arnold, of Beta Gamma, spent two days with us. We only regret that we have the privilege of entertaining the boys so seldom. Nu is always glad to see members from her sister Chapters.

The annual publication, the *Melange*, was issued last week. We would be glad to exchange for similar publications with any of the Chapters.

We read, with much interest, the able article, by "Zeta," in the last issue of THE CRESCENT, and shall endeavor to profit from it by our own application. Every member in the Fraternity should carefully read this article, as it is full of good, sound doctrine.

Bro. R. D. Walker, '82, had the degree of M. D. conferred upon him at the last commencement of Jefferson Medical College, and is now practicing with his father, at Butztown, Pa.

OMICRON.—STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The past two or three weeks have been of unusual interest to the boys of Omicron. The month of May began with the Inter-State oratorical contest, and the first conference of the Fourth Division of our Fraternity. The Inter-State contest brought its usual quota of Delta brothers as participants; Minnesota and Iowa being this year the banner States of our Fraternity in the oratorical line. One of the first acts of the Oratorical Association was the recognition of Bro. W. C. Henry of Omega, and Pomeroy, of Omicron, as orator and delegate from Iowa, their places having been contested by rival claimants. Indiana was represented this year by a Sigma Chi; Kansas by a Beta Theta Pi. At our conference all the Chapters of the Fourth

Division were represented except Beta Kappa, of Colorado University. We also had the pleasure of having with us Bro. J. M. Fulton, of Psi, the delegate from Ohio to the Inter-State Oratorical Association. To the boys of Omicron the conference appeared to be a big success, both in the way of Fraternity business and social enjoyment. We are glad to meet our visiting fraters, and talk over with them the interests of Delta Tau Delta, and we feel certain that the result of our meeting will be a greater interest manifested in the trials and hopes of each brother Chapter, and a firmer loyalty towards the Fraternity at large.

The growth of the Omicron is healthy as ever. Our last initiate is Mr. James Clarke, of Fairfield. Bros. Howard and Newcomb, both alumni, who have been with us this year, and who have helped us very materially from our first start, have left us. Beta Eta will be fortunate in securing Bro. Howard, while Bro. Newcomb will rest awhile from active fraternity work.

Bro. Dan Love, who spent the winter in teaching school, is back among his brothers this term.

Bro. Hal Hedrick has been obliged to leave school for a few weeks on account of his health, but we hope to have him with us for the closing festivities of the year.

On Friday evening, May 9th, the annual Junior contest in oratory took place, and resulted in another victory for Delta Tau Delta.

PSI.—WOOSTER.

The year is nearly done. For our boys at Wooster it has been full of hard work, with a good deal of pleasure, and now that it is past, we can look back over the year with satisfaction. We have met and overcome difficulties and disadvantages. Beginning the year with a small Chapter, in the presence of strong rivals, we have still been able to fill our ranks with good men, carefully chosen. The name of Delta Tau Delta means something at the University, and its meaning is expressed very often in their victories in class and in the literary field.

Since the last issue of THE CRESCENT we have initiated into the mysteries of Delta Tau Delta two men, whom we have tested and found not wanting. Let us present them: Bro. Robert Sharpe, '88, Oakville, Pa., and Bro. Rolla Crabbe, '89, Nevada, Ohio. These "infants" of our Chapter family are learning fast, and during the coming year, as Freshman and Senior Prep., respectively, they will prove sturdy supporters of our banner—the "Purple and the Gray." The Deltas of Psi have had their full share of success within the past few weeks. At the declamation contest among the freshmen and sophomores of Athenian society, Bro. Kimley McMillan, '86, won the first place over six competitors. One of our Seniors took the first prize in an essay contest last week, and the other took the same prize a year ago.

Bro. Ed. C. Downing, our poetical brother, has been in great demand. Even our Preps. have caught the infection.

Bro. Tom Berry, '88, took first place recently in an oration contest, with an oration that was truly fine. In class our two Seniors take second and sixth places on graduating. But we forbear.

We have met disappointments, too, as well as triumphs. Great difficulty has been experienced in finding a suitable hall. We have a hall—have had it for years—but not such a one as our Chapter needs. We hope to be able, before very long, to settle in a place which shall make a fit home for the Deltas for years to come.

Our good "*frater in urbe*," Prof. Eversole, is as good a friend as ever to the boys, and often gives valuable counsel. Two other alumni members of last year's class are here—Prof. Sharpe, professor of Elocution and English, and C. O. Johnson, a law student. Charlie Krichbaum, too, is at Canton, near at hand, and comes over often to "see the boys."

The Chapters here belonging to other Fraternities are generally in fair condition. Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Chi seem prosperous; Phi Gamma Delta and Phi Delta Theta have a good many members. Phi Kappa Psi is not

strong here. The Chapter is made up entirely of lower class men, having but one Junior, and no Senior. Psi is on friendly terms with all, though some jealousy has been shown on the part of one or two sets of boys.

On the whole, then, we are in good condition, with a bright outlook for the coming year.

RHO.—STEVENS.

Chapter Rho was founded on the 9th of May, 1874, by James B. Pierce, of Eta. In our existence of ten years, we have initiated fifty-eight members, of whom thirty-four have graduated and nine remain as active members. Our policy has ever been conservative, but in spite of this we have initiated more men than any other Fraternity here, and our standing is at present of the best and our influence great. As a rule, the average length of active membership is long, and we have, in consequence, a large body of interested alumni. There is no honor system at Stevens, and we cannot record our triumphs by statistics of that sort, but we, nevertheless, think we have cause to feel proud of the record of our Chapter in the past.

We propose to celebrate the tenth anniversary of our foundation, in accordance with a custom of several years standing, by an informal banquet in our rooms, on Wednesday, June 11th, when we cordially invite all Alumni and friends to meet with us, and hope to secure a larger attendance. This date has been chosen, because it comes during Commencement week, and we hope to be able then to secure a large attendance of Alumni from a distance, than would be otherwise possible. Besides, we graduate this year seven men, who have been connected with the Chapter nearly four years, and who have been very active in the work, and it seems fitting to take some formal notice of their departure. We have already lost one of our '84 men—Brother Bush, who finished his thesis and left about May 1st, to accept a position in the West.

The Biographical Catalogue of the Fraternity, so long in preparation under the direction of a

committee from this Chapter, will be ready by the time this appears in print, and we anxiously await the verdict of the Fraternity. The length of time, during which the work has been in preparation, the many calls for information, and the often renewed promises of the editors to give the Fraternity a good catalogue, have no doubt raised high anticipations in the minds of the Chapters, and these, we trust, will be fully realized.

The Chapter of Chi Phi, lately established here, has applied for representation on the Board of Editors of the *Eccentric*, our college annual, which this year, as last, was published by an editor, each from the Neutrals— θ Ξ and Δ T Δ .

I introduce, with great pleasure, this month, our latest accession from '87—Brother Robert Nelson Bayles, who united with us May 23d.

Our Chapter will be well represented at the Convention. Watkins Glen is a beautiful spot, and its natural advantages, combined with the Convention, ought to draw a large attendance.

XI.—SIMPSON.

Fraternity life at Simpson is still running its usual course. But few men have come in this term, and among them none that are calculated for fraternity men.

The strife now is as to who shall carry off the prize the coming contest, in oratory. We have, in the past, taken much more than our due share of such honors. The Deltas, not only of our own school, but of the entire State, have just cause to congratulate themselves on their success in this line.

Bro. J. F. Samson will be our delegate to the next convention. He represented the Chapter at Cleveland, in '82.

Bro. W. T. Thompson passed a very creditable examination before the Des Moines bar, and now advertises himself as "Attorney at-Law."

The Chapter is under obligations to Bro. O'Neal for a very pleasant evening spent at his home, Saturday, March 3. Now Bro. Jewett is following the example thus set. Read this, ye resident members, and ponder it carefully.

Simpson is the only college in the State that has increased its membership during the last year. While her number of students has been greater than that of any other year in her history. It is rumored that we are soon to have a new building.

Commencement draws near, and our Seniors are preparing for class day. Both of Xi men will appear on the programme. This, with their commencement orations, monopolize the greater part of their leisure time, and is teaching them that being a Senior is not all of life.

Simpson can boast of a larger number of sardos than any other college, so far as we know, in which Delta Tau Delta is represented.

The L. F. V.'s were founded at Simpson, in '71. They have, until recently, been purely local, but have now began to go into other colleges. The ladies have our best wishes, and deserve the success that is attending them.

The I. C.'s entered in '84. They have a membership of thirteen. They stand well, and their Chapter is in good condition.

K K T, established in '80, has but two actives, but this is made up in the activity of an enthusiastic resident membership.

K A Θ, established in '80, has an active membership of twenty, only five of whom are in the regular college classes. The others are Preps. and music students, who are in school for only a few terms. Out of an entire membership of nearly one hundred, they have six graduates.

TAU.—FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

Our commencement exercises begin on Sunday, June 15, when the baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Prof. J. S. Stahr.

Class day exercises takes place on Wednesday afternoon; Bro. Warner will be Master of Ceremonies, and Bro. Cook, Prophet. On Wednesday evening the Junior oratorical contest takes place, in which Bro. Albright will take part.

Commencement proper comes off on Thursday, when Bros. Cook, Howard, Miller and Warner will take the degree of A. M.

Tau will hold her tenth annual banquet on Thursday evening, at Miller's restaurant, when many of the alumni will be present.

Bro. E. W. McCaskey has returned from West Point, on his furlough.

Bro. Albright has been elected S. A. for next year. Bros. Gerhart and Levan will represent Tau at Watkins Glen.

UPSILON.—RENSSELAER.

The Institute has been rather dull for the past few months; that is why THE CRESCENT has not heard from us before.

We had the pleasure of seeing Bros. Campbell and Maurer, from Chapter Nu, again, having come up with their nine to play ours. I don't know what the boys think of us, but we think that they are fine fellows. We would like to meet other boys often, being as we are way up here in the east, among strangers, makes us feel a little lonesome.

We had the pleasure of having with us Bros. Carey, '84, and Deal, '82, for a couple of weeks. The boys are doing finely.

Where has all the enthusiasm about Eastern Extension gone? It seems as if it was one of the things of the future. It is evident to every frater that if we wish for success in the future, we must enter the larger eastern institutions. I should think that it would be a good plan, other Fraternities doing it with success, that every new initiate be taxed from \$3 to \$5 for the Extension Fund, this money being used only for starting new Chapters, etc. Let this be talked over in the next convention, at Watkins Glen, and see if, before many years, Delta Tau Delta is not well known in the east.

ZETA.—ADELBERT.

The second year of our existence is drawing to a close. The world moves on as usual, and Zeta is still able to take her meals regularly and experiences no inconvenience in consequence. Since this is our last letter, we shall presume upon the patience of the reader and wander

about in a very promiscuous and doubtless unintelligible manner. We would, with pleasure, recall the many scenes of the early history of this Chapter, the trials and tribulations that surrounded her foundation—but these come to every Chapter; therefore, we will not inflict them on the unwary Brothers. We wish for space, that we might give in detail a history of our meetings, our banquets, our visits to and from other Chapters, and countless other things incident to Fraternity life; but we know that, whatever is omitted here, is engraved in the hearts of the members.

Occasionally, we hear the familiar voices of our Alumni. Brothers, we miss you, but your bodily presence, now and then, assures us that you are still with us in spirit. We would gladly linger with the past, but the future lies before us, in which there is necessity for our most active endeavors.

Brother M. J. Hole, '86, who left college at the close of the fall term, gave us a pleasant call, recently. It seemed like old times to see "Slim" in his accustomed place about the family shrine. He enlightened us with a few prime stories of his experience, since becoming a "horny-handed son of toil." He is at present located at East Rochester, Ohio. May there be a "corner" on hay and pumpkins for his sake.

And still another Brother has been discovered in the city. This one is John B. Hoefgan, Jr., old Ψ , '82. He is Secretary of the Brooklyn Street Car Co. It affords us great pleasure to hunt out and stir up Alumni, who have become somewhat rusty on Fraternity matters, not from lack of interest, but from pressure of business and isolation from college association. We have yet to find an Alumnus, however long he may have been out of college, whose eyes do not brighten when he beholds a Delta badge, at the pleasant memories which it awakens of the halcyon college days, when he, too, talked "turkey" and waylaid the innocent Freshmen.

A short time ago, Brothers Bemis and Waite had the pleasure of calling on Brother L. K.

Ranney, H , '76, at his pleasant home, near Hudson, Ohio. He still takes a lively interest in dear old Delta Tau. Let all Brothers, who have the opportunity, call on him. We can assure them a most cordial welcome.

Dr. L. J. Olmstead, I , '81, who has been House Physician in the Homoeopathic Hospital for the past year, has returned home to Milwaukee, where he has entered into practice with his father. He gained many friends while in the city. May success attend him in his chosen profession.

$X \Psi$ is still running *sub-rosa*, and holds her meetings under the name of a literary society. They are perfectly harmless, both members and meetings.

$\Delta \Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta K E$ have not yet gotten over the idea that they would like some of our members. When they, or any other Fraternity, can lift us, you will all hear something drop, with a dull, sickening thud.

The Second Annual Banquet of Zeta, will be held June 14th.

Brother Sid. S. Wilson, H , called on us last week.

Our delegate to the Convention is W. S. Pettibone, and his address for the summer will be Solon, Cuyahoga county, Ohio; alternate, W. S. Arter, 760 Wilson avenue, Cleveland. "Yours, truly," can be consulted, during office hours, at Hudson, Ohio.

This year closes the 19th of June.

The Adelbert correspondent of the $\Delta \Psi$ Quarterly, has come to the conclusion that Delta Tau Delta is dead here. We do not "acknowledge the corn," and can prove an *alibi*. Notwithstanding this premature interment, that $\Delta \Psi$ has so kindly given us, we propose to "bob up serenely" next September, and continue to do business at the old stand. Country orders filled with neatness and despatch.

There is a Chapter of Kappa Alpha at Danville, Ky., which is generally supposed to be *sub rosa*

THE NEW CATALOGUE.

FIFTH GENERAL CATALOGUE of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, published by order of the General Convention of 1881, under the Supervision of the Rho, in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Fraternity, Hoboken, N. J., 1884.

Such is the title of the work which we now have the pleasure of noticing. After nearly three years of continuous laborious research, our Catalogue Committee at last presents its finished work to the Fraternity. It has been looked for so long and anxiously, that its final appearance will, doubtless, be hailed with pleasure. A cursory review of the work will satisfy all that the repeated delays which have marked the progress of the work, and which so often became the source of disappointment, enabled its editors to constantly improve those features essential in a work of this character—accuracy and completeness. The Catalogue, it is needless to say, determines a new era in the annals of our Fraternity, enabling it to meet its rivals successfully on a common field. But what is more important still, it is a working catalogue, as reliable and complete as the circumstances and nature of such a work will permit; as such it will greatly aid in the internal development of the Fraternity, and will prove in many ways a powerful agent in the advancement of its interests. It contains every feature which modern standards of Fraternity catalogue literature so strictly demand.

The Catalogue is a handsome volume of 390 pages, $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$, printed on heavy calendered cream colored paper, made especially for this purpose. Each page shows a royal purple page border, with a neat monogram design of the symbols of the Fraternity, which sets off the letter-press to good advantage. The typography is modern, and practically perfect. The work comes from the press of Messrs. Baker & Godwin, of New York, one of the oldest houses in the city, and well and favorably known as the printers of the Psi Upsilon Catalogue of 1879, and the Chi Psi Catalogue of 1883. It is needless, perhaps, to suggest that our own Catalogue must embody much of this accumulated experience. That the

pains-taking printers have done their whole duty is evident at a glance, for in point of elegance and finish the Catalogue could not be more satisfactory. Let us see, now, how the editors have done their work.

The volume opens with the usual "Table of Contents," and a "Preface," which is quite brief, and in which the editors acknowledge their admiration for the Monumental Catalogue of Psi Upsilon, which served as a model for this, as well as all other catalogues which have appeared since 1879. We are pleased to notice this candor, because we have seen this courtesy omitted in more cases than one, in which the plan of the catalogues was likewise derived from the Catalogue referred to above. The standard vignette of the Fraternity, in steel, serves as the frontispiece. A pleasing feature is the "Introduction," from the pen of Rev. William R. Cunningham, Theta, '62, one of the honored founders of the Fraternity. The next fifteen pages are devoted to the "Historical Introduction," tracing in a concise manner the origin and development of the Fraternity. An "Explanatory Page," gives in convenient form all needed information as to the arrangement of the work, which are not at once evident from an examination of the book itself. The "Chapter Lists" cover 278 pages, and are arranged by divisions, beginning with those of the First Grand Division, the Chapters being arranged in chronological order. The lists of the active Chapters are preceded by brief historical sketches of the Chapters and their colleges, giving, in a concise manner, the leading events in their careers, and interesting statistical data. These take the place of the meaningless, yet expensive, vignettes which constitute the least valuable feature of so many Fraternity Catalogues. Generally, these seem to be written in a satisfactory manner, being based upon information derived either from official sources, or the Chapters themselves; for all mere opinions therein expressed the editors ask to be responsible. The lists contain the names arranged by classes, in alphabetical order. The aim has evidently been

to record, in every instance, the full professional career of every member, beginning with graduation. How well the editors have succeeded is best attested by the fact that 200 pages, closely printed, are devoted to these records, which appear as nonpareil paragraphs. And yet, even upon close examination, they reveal but very little which might have been omitted to good advantage. No attempt, however, was made to abbreviate these data, and it is proper that this is so, as we know of one instance, at least, in which too much abbreviation in a catalogue of this kind ruined its convenience for reference, and its appearance. We are pleased to note that in all but a very few instances the place and exact date of death are given faithfully. Initiates, so perplexing in previous catalogues, are given in a few cases only, the full baptismal name being almost invariably recorded. We note, further, that members not matriculates of the colleges at which they are admitted, are classed under the year of initiation, separated, however, by a dash from the others, a pleasing feature, when we observe what devices other fraternities have adopted with a view of disguising their honorary members. The lists of the inactive Chapters are arranged by themselves. They are not, however, preceded by Chapter histories, owing to the difficulty, we are informed, of obtaining uniform and exact data concerning these Chapters and their colleges. The lists, however, with a few exceptions, are surprisingly complete. A pleasing uniformity in the manner of presenting these biographical data is evident upon even a close examination, and proves a great convenience in reference; it confirms the wisdom of concentrating a work of this kind in the hands of a few.

An interesting feature of the Catalogue follows next—the “Table of Relationship.” This shows five groups of “Fathers and Sons,” who have united with the Fraternity; of “Brothers” there are one hundred and fifty-nine groups, comprising 344 names, viz: Two groups of four each, twenty-two of three each, and one hundred and thirty-five of two each.

The “Alphabetical Index” covers the next thirty-eight pages, and shows a total of 2,630 names, an increase of 779 since the Catalogue of 1879. These are arranged in a comprehensive manner most convenient for reference, inasmuch as the proper names form separate groups, with the christian names arranged alphabetically, under each group. The Chapter, class year and reference page are given.

The “Residence Directory” also covers thirty-eight pages, and will undoubtedly prove a most valuable feature of the Catalogue. In this the names of all members, with their Chapters, class years, and symbols indicating their occupations, are arranged by States and towns, in alphabetical order. In the larger towns the city address is given, while professional partnerships are usually indicated in the firm name. From a brief trial we have every reason to believe that this directory is essentially correct; from the very nature of the case, however, *perfect* accuracy is, of course, out of the question. The value of this index, however, cannot be doubted, and we shall be greatly mistaken if its advantages do not at once become apparent, and will call it into constant use.

The book closes with five pages of “Additions and Corrections;” if all errors are faithfully recorded, as we have every reason to believe they are, the small number of errata is, in itself, an idea of the care which has been bestowed upon this work.

The volume is handsomely bound in heavy purple cloth boards, with beveled edges, and modern stamps. The back is impressed as follows: “Delta Tau Delta Catalogue, 1884.” The side carries the legend, “Delta Tau Delta.”

Such is the new Catalogue. That it will satisfy the expectations of the Fraternity we feel quite sure, even after a cursory examination of this work. We congratulate the editors upon the successful completion of their labors.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has revived her Alpha Alumnus Chapter, at Atlanta, Ga.

GREEK WORLD.

Delta Upsilon will build at Hamilton.

H M Q is a local ladies' society at the O. W. U.

Fraternities at Beloit are no longer *sub rosa*.

Sigma Chi has swung out at the University of Wisconsin.

The *Scroll* reports Phi Gamma Delta defunct at U. of P.

Kappa Alpha and Psi Upsilon propose building at Cornell.

The reported Chapter of Chi Psi at Union has failed to develop.

The reported Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta at Wittenburg is *non est*.

Psi Upsilon has recently published a history, bearing the name, "Epitome."

Sigma Phi at Williams have laid the foundation of their new Chapter house.

Phi Kappa Psi has granted nine Alumni Chapter charters in the last six years.

Chi Psi has established a Chapter of eleven men at Rochester, New York.

No Preparatory students are eligible to membership in Kappa Alpha Theta.

The Alabama State Association of Alpha Tau Omega meets at Auburn, June 26.

Phi Kappa Psi claims at present to have over four hundred members, active and alumni.

The Yale Chapter, of Delta Kappa Epsilon, draw all their members from the Junior class.

President White, of Cornell, is claimed as a member by both Sigma Phi and Psi Upsilon.

Φ K Ψ talks of changing her form of government, and making it more nearly like that of *Δ T Δ*.

Sigma Nu and Phi Gamma Delta are said to have Chapters at University of Georgia; the latter *sub rosa*.

Prof. R. C. Jebb, of Oxford, is to deliver the Phi Beta Kappa oration at Harvard, next commencement.

The entire Senior class of Furman University are members of the Chapter of Kappa Alpha at that college.

It is said that Sigma Chi has a Chapter at University of Penn, and one *sub rosa* at Washington and Jefferson.

Still another. This time a mystery. Phi Delta Theta—a new Chapter somewhere. So says the *Scroll*.

The faculty of Rochester have petitioned Phi Beta Kappa for a charter. Two of the professors wear the key.

Alpha Tau Omega is agitating the question of a song book. The matter is in the hands of the Alpha Upsilon Chapter.

Delta Province of Phi Delta Theta held an enthusiastic and well attended convention at Columbus, Ohio, May 9 and 10.

Alabama State Convention, of Phi Delta Theta, will be held at Auburn, immediately after Commencement.

Report says that the Gamma Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta, at the University of California, is in a dying condition.

It is reported that Sigma Chi has received applications from two different sets of students at the University of Kansas.

The Beta Chapter of Psi Upsilon, at Yale, was founded as a Junior Society, and has never admitted men from any other class.

Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Chi Psi, Phi Delta Theta, and Kappa Alpha, are represented at South Carolina College.

"Wooglin on Chautauqua," the Beta Theta Pi club house, now in process of erection, will be ready for the reception of the members, July 1st.

Phi Delta Theta claims that none of its Chapters have died in the last six years. It all depends on what you call "dead."

The faculty of Columbia college, Columbia, Mo., has repealed the anti Fraternity laws heretofore existing at that institution.

Theta Nu Epsilon is the largest and oldest Sophomore Society, having been organized in 1870 and having twelve Chapters.

Phi Gamma Delta expects to publish her first song-book in the near future. The work is being pushed and promises to be a success.

The Chapter of Beta Theta Pi, at Iowa Wesleyan University, is about dead. It has only three men, two of them members of the Senior class.

The recently established Chapter of Phi Delta Theta, at Colby University, is composed of fourteen men, formerly of a local society called "Legonia."

Σ X has founded an Alumni Chapter, on the ruins of the lately disbanded Chapter, at the O. W. U. The old hall has been leased for a term of three years.

Kappa Alpha Theta has recently published a song book. To Misses Edith Hall and Grace Ward, of DePauw University is the credit of the compilation due.

The committee on necrology of Beta Theta Pi, at each convention furnishes a report of all the deaths of the year, together with a sketch of the life of each.

Two Chinese students, at Kenyon College, have been initiated into Alpha Delta Phi. Can this be a move of this very "conservative" Fraternity Eastward?

Beta Theta Pi and Alpha Delta Phi have each received applications from some students at Colby University. Both have refused to enter with the material at hand.

The Northwestern Division Convention of Sigma Chi met with the Omega Chapter, at Northwestern University, January 25 and 26. A very enjoyable time is reported.

Zeta Psi has established a strong Alumni Association in the city of Philadelphia. Her University Chapter will doubtlessly reap abundant advantages from this action.

Sigma Chi has two, Phi Delta Theta two, and Phi Gamma Delta one man at Southern University; Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Alpha having organized Chapters.

Kappa Alpha Theta is the oldest Ladies' Society, having been established in January of 1870. Kappa Kappa Gamma is not far behind, being founded in October of the same year, and Delta Gamma two years later.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon and Psi Upsilon *Quarterlies* furnish copies of these journals in a quantity at half price to Chapters who wish to send them to their Alumni.

Chi Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Psi Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, and Delta Upsilon, at Amherst, have Chapter houses, while Delta Kappa Epsilon is repairing and Chi Phi building theirs.

Some members of the faculty of the University of Kansas, made an attempt to have anti-Fraternity rules adopted at that institution, but their antiquated notions were quickly suppressed.

A plan is on foot to establish an association of the Alumni of Delta Kappa Epsilon, in the city of New York. A preliminary meeting was held March 22d, which was enthusiastically attended.

The seventh annual dinner of the New York Alumni of Alpha Delta Phi was held at Delmonico's, April 16, Everett P. Wheeler officiating as toast master. About 100 members were present.

The Chi Psi Chapter House, at Amherst, is rapidly nearing its completion. It will probably be opened during the coming Commencement. It is said to be the finest Fraternity building at Amherst.

Sigma Chi and Phi Gamma Delta, at DePauw University, are endeavoring to issue an annual. None of the other Fraternities in the university will be represented on its editorial board.

The corner-stone of the new Chapter House of Chi Chapter of Psi Upsilon, at Cornell, was laid during the Fifty-first Convention of that Fraternity, which met with that Chapter, May 7th and 8th.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is flourishing at Davidson College, N. C., and has also revived her Iota Chapter at Southern University, Greensboro, Ala. An Alumnus Chapter at Eufaula, Ala., reports seven members.

The various Fraternities at the South Carolina College held a Pan-Hellenic meeting, recently, for the purpose of discussing the best methods of opposing the anti-Fraternity laws of that institution. An annual was proposed.

The Indiana Chapters of Phi Delta Theta held a State reunion at Indianapolis, April 10. The principal work of the meeting seems to have been the discussion of a banquet at the Grand Hotel.

In the Michigan Chapter of Delta Upsilon, at Ann Arbor, a committee of five is appointed, whose unanimous recommendation is sufficient to admit a candidate to membership in that Chapter.

A per capita tax of \$3.50 on each active member of Phi Delta Theta has been found necessary to defray the expenses of the coming convention, and place that Fraternity on a firm financial basis.

Zeta Psi was organized by members of the Masonic Order, and is said to resemble that organization very much in its internal workings. The Chapters are constitutionally limited to fifteen men.

The camp of Delta Upsilon, on Lake George last summer, was so successful, that the attempt will be repeated this year, and probably will become a permanent feature of the Fraternity in the future.

The reported Chapter of W. W. W., at Southwestern University, has failed to materialize, so says the correspondent of Kappa Alpha, Southern, who claims to be the only Fraternity at Georgetown.

The Fraternities at the University of Wisconsin, united in giving a reception in Assembly Hall, on the evening of the 21st of February. These Pan-Hellenic diversions are becoming quite frequent.

Phi Kappa Sigma has at present nine active Chapters. This Fraternity, at one time in 1861, lost ten out of sixteen Chapters. The energy that was able to survive such a misfortune is, indeed, commendable.

Psi Upsilon banqueted at Delmonico's, on the evening of May 1st. About 200 members were present. The evening was made enjoyable by speeches from some distinguished Psi U. An Alumni Association was established, and permanent officers were elected. There are 1,200 members of this Fraternity resident in the city of New York.

The Faculty of Monmouth claim that it was a member of Phi Delta Theta that furnished them the proof of the existence of a chapter of that Fraternity in the college, and thus led to the expulsion of the five members.

Alpha Delta Phi, at Wesleyan University, has its Chapter House almost finished. It will be ready for occupancy at the Annual Convention of that Fraternity, which meets with the Wesleyan Chapter this spring.

Chi Phi is considering the advisability of introducing a "protective system against unforeseen misfortunes," into the Fraternity. To accomplish this result, an annual tax of one dollar is to be levied upon each Alumni member.

Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma at Bloomington, Indiana, buried their animosities and traditional hatreds under a sumptuous banquet on the evening of February 22nd, Kappa Alpha Theta occupying the position of hostess.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has established a new Chapter called Florida Epsilon, and publishes a letter from it in the last *Record*. It is located at the West Florida Seminary, Tallahassee, Florida, which the *Record* calls "The Florida University."—*Scroll*.

The correspondent of the Delta Upsilon *Quarterly*, thus speaks of the recently established Chapter of Chi Psi, at Western Reserve University: "The Chapter can not live, for the field is already crowded. There is no room for the Chapter and no need of it."

Each Chapter of Kappa Alpha is responsible for the subscriptions of its own active members to the *Magazine*. This is a good plan, and might be advantageously adopted by other Fraternities that are complaining of the negligence of the actives in this matter.

The Harvard Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon, has a very peculiar system of elections. At the close of each year, the Sophomore members select from the Freshman class, ten men. These ten assume entire control of the Chapter, initiate new men from their own class, and in turn select their successors, the older members occupying only the position of advisors.

The L. F. V. Sorosis, founded at Simpson Centenary College in '71, has begun to extend its borders, by entering Calanhan College, Des Moines. It is its intention to enter other Iowa colleges in the near future.

Two new Fraternities are reported at Richmond College—Kappa Sigma Kappa, with three men. The other is Phi Alpha Chi, which seems to be something new, and hails from the Virginia State Agricultural College. A member is traveling through the State establishing Chapters. The Chapter at Richmond starts with seven men.

In the coming catalogue of Delta Upsilon, the States will be arranged alphabetically, and under each State the cities and towns where any members of Delta Upsilon reside. It will also contain a condensed history of the Fraternity. The publication will appear about October next.

The Indiana Chapters of Phi Gamma Delta, held a State Convention in Indianapolis, at the time of the last State Oratorical Contest. A committee was appointed to make extensive arrangements for a convention and banquet next year. A committee was also appointed to make arrangements for an excursion to the next Annual Convention of the Fraternity, which meets in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Theta Delta Chi Fraternity now has an organ, the *Shield*, published at Tuft's College, Mass. We have been favored with a private view of it only and can not, therefore, attempt to give it so extended a notice as our interest in it suggests and its creditable appearance deserves. None of our exchanges seem to be aware of its existence. The journal is a quarterly, the first number dated January, 1884.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

A unique feature in the history of Sigma Chi, and one which has no parallel in the records of other Fraternities, was the existence, during the war, of a Chapter in a brigade of the Confederate army. It was called the "Constantine" Chapter, and was organized for the purpose of keeping alive the Fraternity in the South, during the most intense period of that struggle.—*Baird's "American College Fraternities."*

In a recent editorial, the *Phi Gamma Delta* strongly advocates extensive extension, saying: "With characteristic disregard of her interests, Phi Gamma Delta is sleeping, while to the right and left, good strong Chapters of other Fraternities are being founded."

Sigma Chi has decided upon the employment of a General Secretary, at a definite salary of not more than five hundred dollars, whose business it shall be to "serve as the means of constant and active communication between the Chapters and the Grand Council."

A Chapter of Zeta Psi was established at Brown University last September, but did not swing out to public gaze until March. The Chapter has the prestige of a former Zeta Psi organization, which flourished at that college, from 1852 to 1862, when its members all left the institution to enter the First Rhode Island Light Artillery. In 1865 it was again established, but expired with the graduating class of '78. The present Chapter has, as yet, no members in the Senior class, but is well represented among the lower students. It is said that the members of the Chapter will preserve their secrecy until next year.

NOTICE!

The Fraternity is hereby notified that the fifth General Catalogue is now ready for distribution. The edition is not printed from electrotype plates, and is, therefore, limited. Copies can be obtained from the undersigned, in three styles, at the following rates, all expenses prepaid:

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ALUMNI NOTES.

ALPHA. — ALLEGHENY.

'79. — Rev. Charles B. Mitchell, A. M., has been transferred to the Kan-as Conference, and stationed at the First M. E. Church, Leavenworth, the metropolis of the State.

'84. — Although somewhat late, we wish to extend our hearty congratulations to Bro. Elmer M. Rice, who was united in marriage March 18, with Miss Carrie Carter, of Oberlin, New York.

BETA ALPHA PRIME.

'75. — Henry Knappenberger graduated at Rush Medical College, Chicago, in 1881, and is now engaged in the practice of his profession, at Sciota, Ill.

'76. — John C. Snyder is farming near Constant, Kansas.

'76. — Henry E. Allen is a manufacturer of printing presses at 628 W. Twelfth St., Chicago.

'76. — Mid. Duffield is a druggist at Shenandoah, Iowa.

'77. — Thales E. Givens is cashier of the Vernon Bank, Abingdon, Illinois.

'77. — Durham V. Hampton is enrolled in the United States Army, and detailed as phonographer to First Lieutenant W. W. Watherspoon, Twelfth Infantry, A. A. Quartermaster now stationed at Madison Barracks, New York.

'77. — David A. Herlocker is a druggist at Sciota, Illinois.

'77. — Thomas L. McGerr enjoys a lucrative law practice in Magnon, Illinois.

'77. — Richard A. Odenweller is a stock shipper in Sciota, Illinois.

'78. — Homer H. Allen is engaged in farming near Berwick, Illinois.

'78. — Dewit S. Harris is a merchant at Cuba, Illinois.

'78. — Frank B. Snyder is in the drug business at Wellington, Kansas.

BETA BETA. — DEPAUW.

'51. — General Thomas M. Browne has been re-nominated for Congress from the Tenth district of Indiana.

'80. — Arthur Throop is on a lecturing tour in the south. He is carrying one of the finest electrical apparatus in the west.

BETA GAMMA. — COLUMBIA.

'82. — Brother John B. Lynch is a wool broker with his father in New York.

'82. — Brother F. F. Martinez is with R. T. Auchmuty in the city.

'84. — Brother J. J. Plunkett has packed up his grip-sack, and can be found in O'Connor, Greeley county, Nebraska.

ETA. — BUCHTEL.

'80. — Ralph P. Burnett has just returned from an extended trip through Colorado and New Mexico. He likes the country very much. Ralph brought with him some specimens of Zuni pottery, that are quite unique.

'80. — H. T. Willson is doing a lucrative law business. We judge this from the fact that he is now wearing his good clothes every day. Possibly he has become entangled in the meshes of some fair—(1).

'81. — Jack Thompson is the popular cashier of a bank at North Lewiston, Ohio.

'81. — Paul R. Miller divides his time between law and amateur theatricals.

'82. — George H. Whitmore is on a business trip through the east, in the interests of the Sewer Pipe Co., of which he is a member.

'83. — J. O. Simmons recently accepted a position from the Cleveland Rubber Works, Cleveland, Ohio, at a salary in advance of that which he was getting at the Rubber Works, in Akron. This adds another member to the Delta colony in Cleveland.

'83. — D. E. Twigg has gotten him a good farm at LaCled, Mo., and has "commenced living."

'83. — Joe Thomas is doing a good grocery business in the Sixth ward, Akron, Ohio.

BETA ETA PRIME.

'64. — Edward M. Aiken is of the firm of Aiken & Co., Liberty and Eleventh streets, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'65. — Stewart McKee is a member of the firm of McKee & Brothers, proprietors of the large glass works, South Side, Pittsburgh, Pa. He is a director of several of the National banks of the city.

'65. — James E. Uumstaetter is Teller of the Citizens' National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'66. — Robert H. Negley, for several years, has been Secretary of the Atlas Works, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'66. — Robert Rogers, since 1881, fills the pulpit of the U. P. Church, at Pattersonville, New York.

'67. — Cyrus B. Hatch, from 1881-'83 pastor of the U. P. Church at Irwin's Station, Pa., is now engaged in missionary work in Denver, Colorado, and is now meeting with much success.

'67. — Charles C. Montooth, of the firm of Montooth Bros., although a busy lawyer, still shows great interest in the Fraternity. His address is Grant and Diamond streets, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'67. — John O. Petty has been Assistant District Attorney in Pittsburgh, Pa., for several years past.

'68. — Waldemar A. Schmidt is a stenographer at 139 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'69. — Henry T. Morris is a Notary Public in Pittsburgh, Pa., with office in the Anchor Savings Bank building.

'69. — William H. McGary is practicing law in Pittsburgh.

'69. — James K. Verner is, and has been for a series of years, Secretary of the Pittsburgh Forge and Iron Co.

'71. — Rev. John N. McGonigle is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, at Oil City, Pa.

'71. — Dr. William B. Mowry is a rising young physician in Allegheny City, Pa. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

'71. — William T. Wallace is Teller of Patrick & Co., bankers, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'78. — Thomas G. Boyle is manager of the Elba Bolt and Iron Co., No. 1 Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'78. — Bernard F. Rafferty is a member of the firm of B. F. Rafferty & Co., coal and coke operators, Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'79.—Alfred W. Duff is a lawyer in Pittsburgh, at 136 Fifth avenue.

'80.—James M. Camp is a chemist in Allegheny City, Pa.

'80.—Edward C. Godfrey is with Godfrey & Clark, 270 Liberty street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'78.—Sidney F. Andrews is engaged in the practice of law, in St. Louis, Mo.

BETA EPSILON PRIME.

'78.—Arthur J. Beavis is a clergyman in the Universalist Church, and pastor at Monmouth, Illinois.

'79.—Richard Crewes is pastor of the M. E. Church at Watseka, Illinois.

'79.—Franklin C. Read is on the editorial staff of the *Leader*, Bloomington, Illinois.

'81.—John O. Denning is a third-year student in the Theological Department of Boston University.

'82.—D. Warren Miller is a physician at Gilman, Illinois.

BETA ZETA.—IRVINGTON.

'80.—Clarence Boyle was recently made happy in the possession of a little daughter. He says she is a "bouncer," and he certainly knows.

BETA.—OHIO UNIVERSITY.

'65.—Maurice Pechin holds a position in the War Department at Washington.

'68.—Columbia Downing is a cotton factor and commission merchant, and senior partner of the large firm of Downing, Buck & Co., Brunswick, Ga. He is also President of the First National Bank, of that city.

'69.—John L. McMasters, as Mayor of the city of Indianapolis, delivered the address of welcome to the State Oratorical Association, which met on April 16th. He is a lawyer of that city, and partner with Augustin Boice, Beta '69, since 1870.

'71.—Warren Miller was elected one of the four delegates at large to the Chicago National Convention, at the Republican State Convention, Martinsburg, W. Va., April 30. For several years he was Prosecuting Attorney for Jackson Co., West Virginia.

'73.—David Morgan is pastor of the Twenty-fourth Street M. E. Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

CHI—KENYON.

'84.—H. H. Critchfield is in Minneapolis, Minn., and soon expects to sign himself M. D.

'83.—Crawford and Child, I guess, are either dead or sleeping. If "Wrinkle" is up to his old tricks, I suppose it is the latter. At any rate, we never hear from them. I hope they take THE CRESCENT.

'85.—Johnson is Deputy Recorder of Van Wert county.

'85.—Phillips is practicing law in Medina, Ohio.

'83.—Taltavall is still in Dawson, Pa., and his frequent letters have the true Delta ring, and shows that his interest in Chi never wanes.

'83.—Herrlinger is retained as teacher of Latin and German, in Kenyon Grammar school.

DETLA.—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

'74. Wilbur F. Reed. Took degree of M. D. 1877; phy-

sician at State House of Correction, 1877-'81. Since 1881 physician at Maple Rapids, Michigan. Married.

'75. Charles W. Hume. M. D. Detroit Medical College, 1876; physician at Corunna, Michigan. Married; has one child four years old.

'76.—Anson P. DeWolf; 1876-'80 teaching in Michigan schools. Now growing oranges at Crescent City, Florida.

'76.—Franklin D. Shaver. Since 1876 has taught successively in Mississippi State Normal, Leland University, and Bishop College, Marshall, Texas, where he now is. Also Baptist clergyman. Married in 1880.

'77.—J. S. Crombie. Superintendent Big Rapids schools.

'78.—Albert W. Ryan received the degree of B. D. in 1882, from Seabury Hall, Fairbault, Minn., and M. A. from Hobart College. Now rector of Trinity Memorial church, Warren, Pa. Was married in 1879.

'79.—Chauncey F. Cook is a lawyer at Hillsdale, Mich.; under the firm name of Stone (K '77) & Cook.

'80.—George L. Fisher, C. E., is with Dufrene & Mendelssohn, Omaha, Neb. Was married in 1882.

'82.—Horace C. Alexander was married a few weeks ago, to Miss Berringer, of the medical class of '83.

'82.—Jas. F. Gallaher is at work on the *Hillsdale Standard*, and studying law.

EPSILON.—ALBION.

'70.—Rev. H. C. Northrup is the very successful pastor of the St. Clair M. E. Church. Bro. N. is also a trustee of the college.

'70.—Rev. I. H. Riddick, one of the rising preachers of the Detroit Conference, is now pastor of the Caro M. E. Church.

'72.—Prof. Samuel Dickie, widely known through the State as an eloquent temperance agitator, is Professor of Astronomy and Applied Mathematics, in Albion.

'72.—R. E. Clark is a successful attorney in Jackson, Mich.

'76.—Rev. W. H. Allman is preaching to the Kingston (Mich.) Methodists.

'76.—James C. Jocelyn is now head salesman for the firm of Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago.

'77.—Rev. G. A. Buell is pastor of the Keelersville M. E. Church.

'78.—J. J. Encke, who took the degree of M. D. at the Michigan University last year, will probably locate very soon at Newark, New Jersey.

'79.—C. S. Miller, LL. B., is practicing law, and running an extensive banking business, under the firm name of Chas. S. Miller & Co., Fairmount, Nebraska.

'80.—R. M. Young is engaged in the poultry business, at Battle Creek, Michigan.

'80.—G. P. Brown is real estate and insurance agent at Pt. St. Ignace, U. P.

'80.—C. R. Welch and C. C. Brown are Deputy County Clerks of Spink county, Dakota.

'81.—F. M. Taylor, farming in Dakota.

GAMMA.—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON.

'77.—Howard Patton is a physician at Brownsville, Pa.

'78.—George P. Miller is practicing law at Pittsburgh.

'78.—Sam Workman is engaged in farming and stock raising.

'81.—W. B. Ewing is attending the Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois.

'82.—A. C. Miller is Assistant Superintendent of the Linden Steel Works, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'82.—H. C. Ferguson and G. S. Hays are at the Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny, Pa.

'82.—D. A. Miller is reading law at Greensburg, Pa.

'65.—Rev. Thomas Galt was a delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly, which recently met at Saratoga.

'69.—Rev. Joseph T. Gibson and Rev. James H. Shields were also delegates to the Presbyterian annual assembly.

'82.—A. C. Miller is Assistant Superintendent of the Snider Steel Works, Pittsburgh, Pa.

'84.—W. H. McFarland has sailed for Bangkok, Siam. He has accepted the position of Secretary to the American Consul at that place.

IOTA PRIME.

'68.—Charles E. White, since 1873, has been editor and proprietor of the *Weekly Times*, Tidouste, Pa.

'68.—Clinton B. Weisor is General Manager of the Jamestown Bottling Co., doing a business in Jamestown, New York.

'70.—Serenio N. Ayres is a watchmaker and optician, in Jamestown, New York.

'70.—Leonard B. Blodgett, when last heard from, was a mining operator in Denver, Colorado.

KAPPA.—HILLSDALE.

'69.—N. S. Harwood, at the Republican State Convention, held May 1st, at Lincoln, Nebraska, was elected one of the four Delegates-at-Large to the Chicago Convention.

'79.—Wilson B. Paine graduated in March, at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, and is temporarily settled at Greenville, Michigan.

"KAPPA PRIME."

'67.—Dr. Allen McLane Hamilton's new work on "Types of Insanity," has recently been issued from the press of William Wood & Co., New York City.

'67.—Augustus Klesick is with Fleitmann & Co., importers, New York.

'69.—We have ascertained that Edward A. Gardner was drowned on September 6th, 1870, by the capsizing of a boat, while crossing the St. John's river, at Jacksonville, Florida.

'69.—James J. Todd is traveling for the Eclipse Oil Co., of Erie, Pa. His home is at Binghamton, New York.

'69.—James M. Rankin is with the Mutual Gas Light Co., of New York. He is a prominent member of the Twenty-third Regiment, Brooklyn.

'69.—William M. Walker is Assistant Cashier of the Transfer Company, Louisville, Kentucky.

'65.—Henry H. Elting is of the firm of E. V. N. Elting & Son, New Paltz, N. Y.

'65.—Henry W. McClure is in business in Rochester, N. Y.

'67.—Andrew Bryson is a civil engineer of large reputation, who has devoted considerable attention to railroad construction. He was Chief Engineer of the Syracuse, Binghamton and New York Railroad, 1878-80; was made

Associate Chief Engineer of the proposed Queenston and Lewiston Bridge over the Niagara River, in 1881; was Division Engineer on the New York, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, 1880-'82 and since 1882 fills the responsible position of chief engineer of the Hartford & Harlem Railroad. His headquarters are in New Haven, Conn.

'67.—William W. VanVoorhis is a member of the firm of Geo. W. Stetson & Co., dealers in Iron and Ore. He was recently elected to the Board of Managers of the New York Metal Exchange.

MU.—OHIO WESLEYAN.

'72.—Henry A. Asclure was prominently mentioned amongst the candidates for nomination as Secretary of State, at the recent Republican State Convention, in Cleveland, O.

'71.—Rull S. Gage is a practicing physician in New York City. He graduated in the medical department of the University of the City of New York, in 1877.

OMEGA.—IOWA STATE.

'75.—Charles H. Lee is an architect at 317 Fifth street, Des Moines, Iowa.

'75.—Martin E. Rudolph graduated at the Iowa State University in 1881, as the Valedictorian of the Law Department. He served as a member of the first Constitutional Convention of Dakota, which met at Lima Falls in September, 1883. He enjoys a lucrative law practice at Canton, Dakota.

'76.—Martin J. Aiken can be found in the editorial rooms of the *Enquirer* office, Cincinnati, O.

'76.—Arthur P. Barker is a lawyer at Clinton, Iowa.

'76.—Joseph E. Cobley, from 1880 to '82, was Judge of Gage county, Nebraska. He now practices law at Beatrice, Nebraska.

'76.—William T. Gilmore is a merchant at Tipton, Iowa.

'76.—James F. Hardin has removed from Steamboat Rock to Eldora, Iowa, where he is now engaged in a law practice.

'76.—Eugene Hainer is Vice-President of the Farmers' & Merchants' Bank, Aurora, Nebraska.

'76.—A. E. Hitchcock is associated with his brother, M. M. Hitchcock, under the name of Hitchcock Bros., at Mitchell, Dakota, where they carry on a general law, real estate and insurance business.

'76.—Howard M. Kellogg is law partner with Eugene J. Hainer, at Aurora, Nebraska, where, under the style of Hainer & Kellogg, they are building up a promising law business.

'77.—Jacob W. Doxsee is a member of the law firm of Herrick & Doxsee, Monticello, Iowa.

'77.—William A. Helsell is engaged in the practice of law, under the firm name of Zane & Helsell, Odebolt, Iowa.

'77.—Edward L. King is a lawyer at Osceola, Neb.

'78.—William J. Johnston is principal of the public schools at Cordova, Illinois, a position which he has held since 1880.

'78.—John N. Mancey is at Jesup, Iowa.

'79.—Louis L. Manwaring graduated at the law department of the University of Wisconsin in 1881, and immediately engaged in the practice of his profession. He is now doing a good business, under the firm name of Thompson & Manwaring at Stillwater, Minnesota.

'79.—Gurdon W. Wattles was Superintendent of Public

Schools for Carroll county, Iowa, from 1881 until 1883. He is now cashier and joint proprietor of the Farmers' Bank, Carroll, Iowa.

'80.—Rodney B. Swift has charge of the St. Louis agency of the McCormick Harvesting Machine Co., of Chicago, Ill.

'80.—Charles H. McGrew was County Superintendent of Public Schools for Keokuk county, Iowa, from 1882 to 1884, and is now teaching at Sigourney, Iowa.

'81.—Charles M. Coe graduated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago, in 1883, and is now one of the resident physicians at the Cook County Hospital, Chicago.

'81.—James I. Dewell is a member of the law firm of Dewell & McGavren, Missouri Valley, Iowa.

'76.—George A. Garard is a member of the law firm of Thompson & Garard, Kingsley, Iowa.

'76.—John D. Lonsdale is of the firm of John Lonsdale & Sons, proprietors of the Dale City Woollen Mills, at Dale City, Iowa.

'77.—George I. Miller is Principal of the High School at Audubon, Iowa.

'79.—John W. Foster is now filling his third term as Auditor of Guthrie County, Iowa; he was first elected to the office in 1880, and was re-elected to serve until 1886. His office is at Guthrie City, Iowa.

'79.—Albert L. Hauson and James E. Hyde, are Cashier and Book-keeper respectively of the Hillsboro Bank, at Hillsboro, Dakota.

OLD ALPHA.—JEFFERSON.

'66.—Bro. Robert Gilmer, of Greenview, Ills., died December 31st, 1883, of hemorrhage of the lungs.

'66.—Rev. O. A. Elliott, now of Carson, Iowa, has had a revival in his church, and an addition of some 80 members.

'67.—Rev. David Brown has removed to Newton, Iowa, and has taken charge of the Presbyterian Church at that place.

'67.—Prof. W. J. Bollman, Ph. D., Professor of Mathematics in Bellevue College, Nebraska, is an alumnus of W. and J. College, and not of Simpson Centenary, as was stated in a recent number of THE CRESCENT.

PHI.—HANOVER.

'76.—J. P. S. Weems, one of the editors of the first volume of THE CRESCENT, is still practicing law at Vincennes, Ind. He says he is in possession of three miniature (but rapidly developing) Deltas, the result of his marriage six years ago.

PSI PRIME.

'74.—At the Republican Territorial Convention, held at Dayton, Washington Territory, on May 1st, John Lockwood Wilson was elected one of the two Delegates-at-Large to the Chicago Convention.

'75.—Jones Hinman is traveling for Dean, Shipley & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.

'80.—Washington B. Davis, since 1882, is Principal of the Academy, at Fairfield, Illinois.

'81.—John B. Hoefgen is cashier of the Brooklyn Street Railroad Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

'81.—William B. Hord is Deputy Attorney-General of Indiana.

'79.—Eldon B. Pierce is a lumber dealer in Anderson, Ind.

PSI PRIME.—WABASH.

'73.—Irwin A. Detchon is a physician at Crawfordsville, Indiana.

'74.—DeWitt C. Frazier is a lawyer, of the firm of Mann, Calhoun & Frazier, at Danville, Illinois.

'74.—John L. Wilson is receiver of the public moneys, at Colfax, Washington Territory.

'76.—John J. Sloan is a grocer at Crawfordsville, Indiana.

'76.—George B. Welty is a teacher at Crawfordsville, Ind.

'80.—Will Beckwith is a lawyer, of the firm of H. W. Beckwith & Son, at Danville, Illinois.

'81.—William B. Hord graduated in law department of the University of Michigan, in 1882, and since November, 1882, has been Deputy Attorney-General of Indiana. He may be found at the Attorney-General's office, State Building, Indianapolis, Indiana. His permanent residence is Columbus, Indiana.

RHO.—STEVENS.

'75.—T. F. Koezly, since 1877 with Messrs. Gillis & Geoghegan, manufacturers of steam heating and ventilating apparatus, New York, has recently accepted a responsible position in the New York Steam Co., 174 Greenwich street.

'75.—James E. Denton and Frank E. Salee are of the Denton Manufacturing Co., Courtlandt street, New York.

'76.—William Kent read a paper on "Rules for Steam Boiler Tests," at the Pittsburgh meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, May 20th.

'76.—Married.—On Thursday, February 14, 1884, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. George C. Houghton, assisted by Rev. Edward C. Haughton, (cousin of the bride), Dr. William Diehl, of Philadelphia, to Annie, daughter of I. M. Livingston, Esq., of Hoboken, N. J.

'76.—William Diehl is Demonstrator in the clinics of the University of Pennsylvania.

'76.—William Kent was present at the Cincinnati meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, in February.

'77.—Franklin VanWinkle has recently invented a new form of transmitting dynamometer, which will be manufactured by the Edson Recording Steam Gauge Co., New York.

'77.—Franklin VanWinkle is Superintendent for the Edson Recording Gauge Co., New York. He recently became a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

'78.—I. William Littell, Lieutenant Tenth Infantry, is now on duty at Fort Bayard, New Mexico. During 1883-'84 he was stationed at Fort Wayne, Michigan.

'80.—Willard P. Parsons has also joined the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

'80.—John W. Lieb, since 1882 engineer in charge of the erection of the Edison electric light plant in Milan, Italy, the largest central station in Europe, on January 1st of the present year, received the appointment of Chief Electrician to the Italian Edison Electric Light Co., which has been organized as the outgrowth of the experimental installation.

'80.—George M. Bond lectured, on February 29th, before the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, upon the subject of "Standards of Length, as Applied to Gauge Dimensions."

'80.—George M. Bond has two articles in the Franklin In-

stitute *Journal* for April, entitled "Standards of Length, and Their Sub-Division," and "Standards of Length as Applied to Gauge Dimensions." E. D. Estrada's graduating thesis is reprinted in the *Railroad Gazette*.

'81.—James B. Ladd has recently become a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

'83.—J. E. Steward's thesis has found its way into the *British Journal of Gas-Lighting*, London, being reprinted from *VanNostrand's Magazine*.

'84.—S. P. Bush is now in the employ of the C., P. & St. Louis Railroad, at Logansport, Indiana.

'81.—Harry S. Pope is traveling extensively for the house of Tomas J. Pope & Bro., metal dealers, New York.

'82.—Will L. Breath is draughting for A. Cary Smith, the well-known yacht designer, of New York.

'83.—The graduating thesis of J. E. Steward, on "Experiments with the Otto Gas Engine," was published in *VanNostrand's Eclectic Engineering Magazine* for January, and it was subsequently reprinted in pamphlet form.

MU.—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

'72.—Col. Henry A. Axline was a prominent candidate before the recent Ohio Republican State Convention, at Cleveland, for Secretary of State. Col. Axline has just closed a successful term as Assistant Adjutant-General of Ohio, in which office he won a State-wide reputation. Though the youngest candidate before the convention, he received the third highest vote out of seven competitors, and his friends are confident that he would have secured the nomination, had not the name of General Robinson been sprung on the delegates at a late hour the previous night. As it is, Col. Axline is left in excellent shape for the next contest.

'72.—Col. H. A. Axline is practicing law at Zanesville, O. will attend his class reunion during commencement week.

'82.—G. P. Austin, E. E. Cheney, '82, and S. L. Beiler, '77, will be in attendance at commencement.

'81.—Heber D. Ketchum graduated in May, at Drew Theological Seminary.

'81.—M. E. Ketcham, located at Rhinecliff, New York,

'82.—Jay F. Close has formed a law partnership with Mr. N. T. Vannatta, to practice at Belleville, Kansas.

'82.—T. W. Marchant graduated with one of the honor orations at the Cincinnati Law School, in May.

SIGMA PRIME.

'73.—Zachary T. Burton is Receiver in the United States Land Office, at Helena, Montana.

'77.—Newbury J. Hawe is of the law firm of Boyd & Hawe, Delphi, Indiana.

'77.—James A. Wood is Superintendent of Public Schools at Salem, Indiana, a position which he has held since 1877.

'78.—Lewis C. Hoppel is a minister in the Baptist Church, and professor in Benedict Institute, Columbia, S. C.

'78.—Nimrod C. Smith is pastor of the Baptist Church at Kokomo, Indiana.

'78.—John W. Thompson is a lawyer in Winchester, Indiana; author of "Indiana Citations," Indianapolis, 1883. Merrill, Meiggs & Co., Publishers.

'80.—William C. Thompson has just completed a two-year term as Mayor of Franklin, Indiana.

SIGMA.

'77.—William P. Graham is in charge of the M. E. Church of Tidioute, Pa., having removed from Reno, his former charge, last October.

TAU PRIME.

'74.—A. Edgar Osborne graduated as M. D., at the University of Pennsylvania, in 1877, and received the degree of Ph. D., in 1879. He is now a practicing physician at Media, Pa. He is a member of andus professional societies, among others of the State Medical Society of Pennsylvania, and of the Delaware County Medical Society, and is an active member of the Delaware County Institute of Science. He is Professor of Natural and Physical Sciences, in Shortledge Academy, Media, Pa., which position he has held since 1877. He is also Medical Examiner at Media, Pa., for the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York.

'74.—Arrien P. Downing and James F. Sloan, '75, are Junior members of the firm of A. F. Downing & Son, druggist supplies, San Francisco, California.

'73.—William Wolfinger is a clerk, in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., at Harrisburg, Pa.

UPSILON PRIME.

'72.—James N. Matthews graduated at the Missouri Medical College, St. Louis, in 1878, and is now a practising physician at Mason, Illinois, and Resident Surgeon to the Illinois Central Railroad at that place. He is a frequent contributor of poetry to such papers as the *Toledo Blade*, *Indianapolis Herald*, *Detroit Free Press* and *Chicago Tribune*. The poems, "The Pioneers," "My Guest," "The Legend of the Shield," "The First Gray Hair," etc., have been well received.

'73.—William V. Reiger is a merchant in Kansas City, Mo.

'75.—Harry C. Cale is senior member of the firm of H. C. Cale & Co., Millers, Chester, Illinois.

'75.—Augustus L. Craig is a practicing physician at Aledo, Illinois, and a member of the State Medical Society.

'76.—William Stull and Louis Stull, '75, are associated in business at Lincoln, Nebraska, handling real estate and municipal bonds.

'81.—F. M. Taylor is farming in Dakota.

UPSILON.—RENSSELAER.

'81.—C. P. Ruple is proposed for membership in the American Society of Civil Engineers. He is at present located at Wilson's Point, Ga.

XI.—SIMPSON.

'72.—W. H. Berry, delegate to the M. E. Conference, is strongly spoken of as Kasson's successor in Congress, from the Des Moines district.

'77.—C. L. Bare has been elected Superintendent of the schools of Cawnpore, India.

'78.—G. W. Samson has been re-elected Principal of the Lama City schools.

'78.—I. M. DeLong has been given the chair of mathematics in the I. C. U. for life.

'81.—L. H. Wilder was admitted to the bar at the January

term of court. He is at present principal of the Carlisle schools.

'84.—W. A. Lee is studying law with H. McNeal, of this city.

XI.—SIMPSON.

Nuptials of the Fraters of Beta Kappa:

Willis Stidger, Xi '80, was married to Miss Hattie Silcott, '83, February 20, 1884. The marriage took place at Fort Collins, Colorado. Miss Silcott is a Kappa Alpha Theta, and a graduate of Simpson Centenary.

Married.—At Des Moines, Iowa, March 5, George Stidger Xi '80, and Miss Helena Dorr, '82. Miss Dorr is a member of the I. C. Sorosis, and also a graduate of Simpson Centenary. The newly married couple will make their home at Boulder City, Colorado, where the Stidgers will pursue their legal professions.

W. F. Powell, Xi 73, in the late city election at Indianola, Iowa, was elected City Solicitor.

ZETA PRIME.—MONMOUTH.

'62—John W. Green is a prominent lawyer in Davenport, Iowa.

'64—Stuart S. Findley, for many years book-keeper for the National Bank, Carthage, Ill., is now engaged in the banking business in Topeka, Kansas.

'65—Andrew H. Graham, since 1869, fills the position of Superintendent of Public Schools, Columbus, Ind. He is still an enthusiastic Delta.

'65—Adam G. King has been pastor of the U. P. church, at West Delhi, N. Y., since 1868.

'65—Ebenezer E. Mitchell has removed to Peotone, Kansas.

'66—James L. Dryden received the honorary degree of A. M., from Monmouth College last year. He served from July, 1880, until June, 1881, as United States District Attorney for Montana. He is now a member of the law firm of Greer & Dryden. He is one of the Trustees of Monmouth College.

'66—George H. Patchen is a prominent physician of Burlington, Iowa. He is a graduate of the Homœopathic Medical College of New York.

'66—John T. Teel is still engaged in the practice of law, at Mt. Vernon, Mo.

'66—Oliver T. Wallace is a civil engineer and surveyor, with a fine practice, at Hyattsville, Ky.

'67—Obadiah G. Given is now physician to the United States Indian Industrial School, at Carlisle, Pa.

'67—William K. Stewart is a member of the law firm of Stewart & Stewart, Monmouth, Ill.

'63—William R. Mitchell is teaching at Monmouth, Ill.

'70—Casper Galloway is a merchant at Little York, Warren county, Ill.

'70—Andrew Graham is a prosperous farmer near Sandwich, Ill.

'70—Thomas B. Turnbull, since 1873, has continuously filled the pulpit of the U. P. church, at Aledo, Ill. He is Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Rock Island.

'69—Ralph E. Wilken is pastor of the U. P. church, at Tilden, Ill.

INITIATES.

* ALPHA.

177—John Henry Dick, '87, Meadville, Pa., Sept. 29, 1883.

178—John Ebbort Porter, '87, Sewickly, Pa., Sept. 29, 1883.

180—William Baskin Tilton, '87, Sandy Lake, Pa., Oct. 20, 1883.

181—William James Bryan, '88, Titusville, Pa., October 27, 1883.

182—James Barlow Cullum, '89, Meadville, Pa., December 8, 1883.

183—Harry Stowe, '88, Garrettsville, O., March 24, 1884.

* GAMMA.

Joseph Clarke Forse, '87, Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 28, 1883.

Isaac Newton Reed, '85, Allegheny City, Pa., November 24, 1883.

Henry Eckert Alexander, '87, St. Clairsville, O., December 8, 1883.

Ira Eugene Harrington, '87, Allegheny City, Pa., April 19, 1884.

James McClure McAdams, '87, Wheeling, W. Va., May 15, 1884.

* DELTA.

67—Charles Holden Prescott, '87, Bay City, Mich., Sept. 26, 1883.

68—John Alexander McDonald, '87, Bay City, Mich., October 20, 1883.

69—Frederick William Guild, '87, East Saginaw, Michigan, October 20, 1883.

70—William Archibald McDonald, '87, Bay City, Michigan, December 8, 1883.

71—James A. Hays, '86, Allegheny, Pa., March 1, 1884.

72—Franklin Meed Cook, '85, Hillsdale, Michigan, March 14, 1884.

73—William Andrew McAndrew, '86, Ypsilanti, Michigan, March 20, 1884.

* EPSILON.

80—Milton Osborn Reed, '85, Albion, Michigan, October 6, 1883.

81—Meton Ralph Carier, '88, Lansing, Michigan, January 12, 1884.

82—Thomas John Martin, '87, Albion, Michigan, February 2, 1884.

83—Norris Almon Cole, '86, Union City, Michigan, February 16, 1884.

* IOTA.

125—Charles Benjamin Hays, '86, Kalamazoo, Michigan, September 15, 1883.

126—John Lewis Dawson, '87, Bay City, Michigan, September 15, 1883.

127—William Samuel McClintock, '85, Collinsville, O., October 27, 1883.

128—Justis Norris Estabrook, '87, East Saginaw, Michigan, March 1, 1884.

129—Thomas Albert Saylor, '87, East Saginaw, Michigan, March 1, 1884.

* KAPPA.

138—Benno Von Zastrow, '85, Hamburg, Prussia, November 3, 1883.

139—Chester Hardy Aldrich, '86, Pierpont, Ohio, November 3, 1883.

140—Warren Kitchen, '87, Selma, Ohio, November 8, 1883.

141—Irving Jacob Heckman, '88, Kingston, Ohio, November 8, 1883.

142—William Marvin Spears, '86, Hillsdale, Michigan, February 2, 1884.

143—Fredric Wilbur Corbett, '87, North Adams, Michigan, February 2, 1884.

144—Hugh Perry Parmelee, '86, Reading, Michigan, February 22, 1884.

* LAMBDA.

108—George William Winter, '88, Hanover, Illinois, October 11, 1883.

109—Frank Hamilton Fowler, '88, Bradford, Illinois, November 1, 1883.

110—Jay Welsh, '87, Eugene, Illinois, December 13, 1883.

111—Charles Abraham Clark Garst, '88, Sanford, Ill., February 2, 1884.

112—Thomas Nolan, '89, Truro, Illinois, February 2, 1884.

113—August Dellgren, '89, Galesburg, Ill., February 2, 1884.

* MU.

31—William Franklin Anderson, '84, Easton, W. Va., October 13, 1883.

32—William Merriman Porter, '86, Greenfield, Ohio, January 9, 1884.

33—John Anderson Arnold, '86, VanWert, Ohio, January 9, 1884.

34—Charles Wright Durbin, '86, Fredricktown, Ohio, March 15, 1884.

* NU.

Julius D. Earle, '87, Brooklyn, N. Y., September 18, 1883.

John McPheeters Hanna, '87, Denison, Texas, October 13, 1883.

Harry Sterling Saylot, '87, Pittston, Pa., October 10, 1883.

* XI.

81—Simpson Lee Vanscoy, '87, Indianola, Iowa, October 20, 1883.

* OMICRON.

31—Joel Woodward Whitmer, '85, Des Moines, Iowa, October 2, 1883.

32—Harry McPherson Hedrick, '87, Ottumwa, Iowa, October 13, 1883.

33—John Godfrey Spielman, Fairfield, Iowa, October 20, 1883.

34—Herbert Peery, '87, Fenton, Mo., November 3, 1883.

* PI.

47—Walter Rollin Rathburn, '87, South Bethlehem, Pa., September 21, 1883.

48—Hughlett Harcastle, '87, Easton, Md., September 21, 1883.

49—Harry Toulmin, '86, Bethlehem, Pa., September 21, 1883.

50—Wade Hampton Woods, '87, Philadelphia, Pa., May 3, 1884.

51—George Washington Snyder, '85, Pottsville, Pa., May 21, 1884.

* RHO.

61—Samuel William Sewell, '86, Plainfield, N. J., October 19, 1883.

62—Clarence Brownell, '87, Hartford, Conn.

64—Robert Nelson Bayles, '87, Englewood, N. J., May 23, 1884.

* SIGMA.

136—Sherman Asher Kirkbride, '86, North Benton, Ohio, October 23, 1883.

137—Charles Cephas Carroll, '86, Mt. Union, Ohio, October 30, 1883.

138—John E. Morris, '84, Garrettsville, Ohio, December 31, 1883.

139—Homer Elridge Niesz, '87, Mt. Union, Ohio, April 1, 1884.

140—George Edwin McKean, '87, Dundee, Ohio, April 1, 1884.

* TAU.

David Levan, '85, Jacksonwald, Pa., October 6, 1883.

* UPSILON.

21—Joseph Ford Hearne, '86, Wheeling, W. Va., September 21, 1883.

22—William Horace Crump, '86, Pittsburgh, Pa., October 13, 1883.

23—Wilbur Fisk Smith, '87, Wheeling, W. Va., October 26, 1883.

24—Octavio Ada Puyana, '87, Bucaramanga, U. S. of Col., S. A., March 1, 1884.

* CHI.

15—George Arthur Reid, '87, Geneva, Ohio, September 12, 1883.

16—Walter Wright Scranton, '87, Wilmington, Ohio, September 12, 1883.

* PSI.

26—Ira Allen Wise, '88, Berlin, Ohio, September 15, 1883.

27—Lister Pomerene, '88, Berlin, Ohio, September 15, 1883.

29—Thomas Parker Berry, '88, Barnesville, Ohio, October 6, 1883.

30—Walter Agnew Alsdorf, '88, Utica, Ohio, October 11, 1883.

31—John Lloyd Lee, '85, Crestline, Ohio, October 27, 1883.

32—James Marion Shellenberger, '86, Wooster, Ohio, January 19, 1884.

33—Robert Sharpe, '88, Oakville, Ohio, April 26, 1884.

- OMEGA.

84—Frank Young Locke, '86, Vinton, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

85—Arthur Herbert Ferguson, '86, Glidden, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

86—Grant Sumner Hicks, '86, Monticello, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

87—Marcus Zophar Farwell, '86, Monticello, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

88—James Lincoln McCaull, '86, Garden Grove, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

89—William Raymond Myers, '86, Anita, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

90—Elmer J. Cole, '86, Woodbine, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

91—Charles Peter Lattig, '86, Anita, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

92—Wilfred Bertrand Sherwood, '86, Strawberry Point, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

93—Edward Elias Triem, '86, La Porte City, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

94—Omar Whitman Rich, '86, Strawberry Point, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

95—William Briggs, '86, Grinnell, Iowa, October 5, 1883.

96—Albert Graham Mosier, '85, Des Moines, Iowa, October 26, 1883.

* BETA BETA.

24—Edgar Worden Chittenden, '87, Anderson, Ind., September 29, 1883.

(26)—Hugh Shaddle Davidson, '89, Vacoma, Nebraska, October 27, 1883.

26—Robert Perry Allen Berryman, '86, Potato Creek, Ind., January 12, 1884.

27—James Elmer McDaniel, '86, Pierceton, Indiana, April 19, 1884.

28—Ira Burton Blackstone, '86, Paxton, Ill., May 24, 1884.

* BETA GAMMA.

9—James Walden Cleland, '85, Brooklyn, New York, November 27, 1883.

10—Ernest Carson Hunt, '85, New York, N. Y., December 7, 1883.

11—Fredrick Endicott Buckingham, '84, Brooklyn, N. Y., January 17, 1884.

12—John Alvey Mills, '86, Yonkers, N. Y., January 17, 1884.

14—Lorin Simon Berheimer, '84, New York, N. Y., March 6, 1884.

15—Ebenezer Hurd Pray Squire, '85, White Plains, N. Y., March 13, 1884.

16—Samuel Gaylord Tibbals, '84, Greenpoint, L. I., March 27, 1884.

17—Charles Bradley Rowland, '84, New York, N. Y., April 3, 1884.

18—Anthony Arnoux, Jr., '86, New York, N. Y., April 3, 1884.

* BETA DELTA.

29—Obediah Lewis Cloud, Jr., '85, Wrightsboro, Ga., February 2, 1884.

30—John Troup Allen, Jr., '84, Milledgeville, Ga., February 2, 1884.

31—Horace Moore Holden, '85, Augusta, Ga., February 16, 1884.

* BETA EPSILON.

18—Alexander Stephens Adams, '87, Lombardy, Ga., October 13, 1883.

19—Alvin Augustus Tilly, '87, Cave Spring, Ga., October 19, 1883.

20—Joseph Zachary Johnson, '87, Oxford, Ga., October 19, 1883.

21—James Lee Key, '87, Atlanta, Ga., October 19, 1883.

22—Samuel Lumkin Haygood, '87, Oxford, Ga., November 9, 1883.

23—Thomas Walter Shands, '87, Bronson, Florida, December 14, 1883.

24—Capeir Bowie Williamson, '88, Middleground, Ga., February 1, 1884.

25—Asbury Glenn Brewton, '88, Green, Ga., May 2, 1884.

* BETA IOTA.

30—Charles Edgar Wilbur, Manorville, N. Y., October 13, 1883.

31—Leslie Atwood Cranston, '87, Gibson, Ill., November 24, 1883.

* BETA ZETA.

34—Willard M. Alley, '85, Indianapolis, Indiana, October 15, 1883.

35—Elias Price Wise, '86, Indianapolis, Indiana, May 5, 1884.

36—George Washington Redman, Jr., '88, Paris, Ill., May 5, 1884.

* BETA ETA.

5—Francis Clinton Shenehen, '86, Minneapolis, Minn., October 27, 1883.

6—William Franklin Webster, '86, Clearwater, Minn., October 27, 1883.

7—Alvah William Jones, '86, Wauseon, Ohio, October 27, 1883.

* BETA THETA.

9—Archibald William Butt, '84, Augusta, Ga., July 10, 1883.

10—Robert Williamson Black, '85, Sylvania, Ga., August 29, 1883.

11—George Louis Crockett, '85, San Augustine, Texas, August 29, 1883.

12—Edward Clarke Tucker, '84, Mobile, Alabama, September 11, 1883.

BETA KAPPA.

1—Clarence Harlow Pease, '85, Boulder, Colorado, October 13, 1883.

2—William John Thomas, '86, Central City, Colorado, October 13, 1883.

3—William Timothy Stanton, '83, Boulder, Colorado, October 27, 1883.

4—Joel Clark Glover, '87, Coshocton, Ohio, November 11, 1883.

5—Ernest Johnson, '87, Coshocton, Ohio, November 11, 1883.

6—Edward Cook Mason, '87, Silver Cliff, Colorado, February 2, 1884.

7—Guy Thompson, '87, Grand Rapids, Mich., February 2, 1884.

8—Victor Irwin Noxon, '87, Idaho Springs, Colorado, February 16, 1884.

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EXTRA.

BETA EPSILON.—OXFORD.

Brother George W. Griner's health is so much debilitated, that he has resigned his position as S. A. of our Chapter and will leave, at an early day, for home. However, he expects to return at the beginning of the fall term and enter the Senior class. We hope so.

Brother Stuart, of the present Senior class, has secured a fine position as teacher in Apopka City, Florida. He is a native of the "Land of Flowers," and, therefore, doesn't ask sand-flies, mosquitoes, nor alligators, any odds. He is made of good metal, and we predict that he will never let the "Purple and Gray" trail the dust.

The annual elections in our literary societies were held on the 7th inst. College politics did not take on the white heat, as they did one year ago. There was little electioneering, and not much wire-pulling. On the editorial staff there were elected two *A T Q*'s and *A T A*. Brother Griner was elected.

On the fall term public debate, there were elected two *Φ A Θ*'s, one outsider, and one *A T A*, who is Brother J. L. Hendry. Beta Epsilon does not ask the literary societies to consider the merit of her sons, but they pass for their face value.

The year now closing has been a year of pro-

gress with Beta Epsilon. She has taken no false step, such as comes from premature consideration.

Our outlook for another year is good, and we are determined to convert some of our fondest imaginations into realities.

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EXTRA.

At the recent Commencement of Wooster University, the degree of LL. D., was conferred upon Brother R. S. Sutton, of Pittsburgh, Pa., one of the founders of Chapter Gamma; while Brother W. S. Eversole received that of Ph. D.

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