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OUR CATALOGUE DEVELOPMENT.

Nothing, perhaps, affords the student of our fraternity's history a better insight into the extraordinarily rapid growth of Delta Tau Delta, during the past fifteen years, than an examination of the catalogues, or membership lists, which it has put forth during those years. A few copies only of the older catalogues, five of which the fraternity has issued, are still in existence, and as these are not generally accessible it may not be amiss to trace here, in a general way, the progress of the permanent enrolment of our membership and to examine in detail the bibliography of our fraternity in this direction

During the first nine years of our fraternity's existence, no attempt seems to have been made to publish a general catologue of its members. It was deemed sufficient to maintain a manuscript list of names, arranged by chapters in the order of initiation, with residence, age at time of initiation, year of graduation and occupation. The enrolment book remained in the hands of the Alpha, at Jefferson college, from the time that it assumed control of the fraternity's affairs, in the latter part of 1861, until it voluntarily relinquished its position at the general convention of 1869. This first enrolment book is still in existence—a blank book of 300 pages. It throws considerable light upon the military record of the early Deltas and was doubtless kept so faithfully because all of our chapters at that time had been placed at institutions immediately affected by the civil war, which had enrolled a surprisingly large proportion of the young fraternity's membership on one side or the other.

At the general convention of 1869, held on April 14th, at Meadville, the subject of publishing a general catalogue of the fraternity, the necessity for which had now begun to be recognized, was for the first time officially discussed, and when, at the same convention the duties of the Alpha were transferred to the Omicron at the Ohio Wesleyan University, it was at once instructed to publish during the ensuing year a catalogue of the fraternity and to levy an appropriate assessment upon the several chapters. The manuscript roll was carefully kept up and preparations were at once made to compile the catalogue, but it was deemed injudicious to proceed immediately with its publication, because of the delinquent manner in which five or six of the chapters had complied with Alpha's requests. At the general convention of 1870 the work was recommitted to the Alpha, which succeeded, in the following fall, in issuing the First General Catalogue of the fraternity.

This catalogue bears the following inscription: " | Catalogue of the | Delta Tau Delta | Fraternity | 1870. | Delaware, O., Gazette Steam Job Print | ," and carries on the title page a vignette of the fraternity's emblematic seal, which was designed in 1863 by John R. Scott, B'64. It is an 8vo pamphlet of 32 pages, 5\frac{3}{4}x9 in., having no page border and carrying a head line: "Delta Tau Delta Fraternity." The cover is of pink paper and bears the imprint: " | Delta Tau Delta | 1870 | ." One page is devoted to the legend, " | The | Delta Tan Delta Fraternity | was founded at | Bethany College, Bethany, W. Va., | January 1st, 1859. | The third page contains a poetic "dedication," while the fourth gives a list of fourteen names of those whom the fraternity then recognized as its founders. The remaining pages contain, in the following order, the chapter lists of Alpha, Ohio Wesleyan University; Beta, Ohio University; Gamma, Washington; Delta, Allegheny; Epsilon, Western University of Pennsylvania; Zeta, Monmouth; Eta, Jefferson; Theta, Bethany; Iota, Jamestown; Kappa, Hillsdale; Lambda, Lombard University; Gamma Prime, West Liberty; Delta Prime, Morgantown; Kappa Prime, Poughkeepsie. The names in each chapter list, with residences are arranged in alphabetical order, with no indication of the class year nor of the fact of graduation.

and there is no indication of the occupations. The catalogue shows a total enrolment of 530 names, after deducting eleven repetitions. There is no index of names.

At the general convention of 1872, held at Bloomington, Ind., May 15th, the question of publishing a second edition of the catalogue was brought up and apparently very thoroughly discussed. It was resolved to add in this catalogue the occupation of the graduate members, and, further, to indicate the years of initiation and graduation by means of Greek characters, placed respectively before the names and after the residences. Two editions were ordered, one in cloth and the other in Morocco binding. The Alpha immediately proceeded with the work of compilation, but deemed it imprudent to proceed with its publication until the necessary funds had accumulated. Its report to the general convention at 1873 induced that body to levy a prorata assessment on the undergraduates of the several chapters, which supplied a suitable fund for publication, insufficient, however, to carry out the ambitious design of the convention of 1872.

In the spring of 1874 the Second General Catalogue of the fraternity made its appearance. It is a pamphlet of 48 pages, 8vo, 53x9 in., without page border, but with the headline, "Delta Tau Delta Fraternity," and resembles its predecessor in very many respects. It contains the same dedication, and has the same list of founders. It records the membership of twenty-five chapters; to wit: Alpha, Ohio Wesleyan University; Beta, Ohio University; Gamma, Washington and Jefferson; Delta, Allegheny; Epsilon, Western University of Pennsylvania; Zeta, Monmouth; Eta, Buchtel; Theta, Bethany; Iota, Michigan State; Kappa, Hillsdale; Lambda, Lombard University; Mu, Wabash; Nu, Indiana University; Xi, Simpson; Omicron, Asbury University; Rho, Lake Shore; Tau, Pennsylvania State; Upsilon, Illinois State University; Phi, Hanover; Chi, Franklin; as well as of the five inactive chapters: West Liberty, Morgantown, Jamestown, Poughkeepsie and Waynesburg. There are 975 names, after deducting thirteen repetitions. They are arranged alphabetically, but without indication of the class year and only occasional record of occupation. There is no index of names. The catalogue contains the poem, "The Greeks of Modern Time," which was read by Will Carleton, Kappa, '69, at the general convention of 1873, as well as the "Delta Tau Delta Song," by John R. Scott, Beta '64, so well known throughout the fraternity.

At the general convention of 1875, which met at Meadville on May 5th, 1875, the government of the fraternity was officially vested in the Delta chapter at Allegheny college, which had assumed charge of its affairs since the latter part of 1874, upon the sudden dissolution of the Delaware Alpha, and the Delta was instructed to proceed at once with the compilation of a new edition of the catalogue. Finding that the catalogues heretofore issued by the fraternity were scarcely equal to the standards of catalogue literature current at the time, the editors, William C. Bear, '78, Livingston L. Davis, '79, and John N. White, '79, accordingly set themselves a more ambitious task. The Third General Catalogue, issued in the spring of 1876, is the result of their labors and bears on its title page the following inscription: " | Catalogue | of the | Delta Tau Delta | Fraternity | 1876. | Crawford Journal Print, | Meadville, Pa. | 1876. | " and carries, furthermore, the well known seal of the fraternity. It is an 8vo pamphlet of 74 pages, 53x9 in., with a neat carmine page border and the head line "Delta Tau Delta Fraternity." It is printed on heavy cream colored paper and presents, typographically, a very neat appearance. The blue glazed cover carries within a gilt border, the seal of the fraternity in black. Like the earlier editions it has the "Dedication" and "List of Founders." There is an index of chapters, and we note among the chapter lists the following additions: Delta, University of Michigan; Epsilon, Northwestern Christian, now Butler University; Nu, Lafayette; Pi, Lehigh University; Rho, Stevens Institute of Technicology; Sigma, Mt. Union; Tau, Franklin and Marshall; Omega, Iowa State; Alpha Beta Prime, Abingdon. For the first time the names are recorded by classes and alphabetically, with a quite general indication of occupations; the inactive chapters form a

group by themselves at the end of the volume and have their lists arranged alphabetically. The poem "The Greeks of Modern Time" and the song "Delta Tau Delta" are again given a place in this addition. A page is devoted to the Necrology of of the fraternity which contains a record of twenty-six names. There is no general index of names; the total enrolment shows 1,321 members, upon deducting sixteen names that appear twice.

At the General Convention of 1876 and upon the recommendation of the Alpha, the Catalogue Fund of the fraternity was created in accordance, with which a small assessment is leved upon all initiates of the fraternity, the fund being solely devoted to the purposes of the permament enrolment of our membership.

In September of 1877, Delta Tau Delta made a new departure in catalogue work, which was published unofficially, it is true, and at his own expense, by William C. Buchanan, Theta '73, then a young lawyer in Cincinnati, O., and to whom the fraternity was already deeply indebted for substantial work in connection with the inception of the Crescent. This directory saw a second, revised and enlarged edition in April, 1879, and bears the following inscription: "| Directory | of | Attorneys who are members | of the | Delta Tau Delta | Fraternity | "Justitiæ Soror Fides | Prepared by | W. C. Buchanan | Cincinnati, O. | Cincinnati: | Chauncey R. Murray, Print, 103 West Sixth St. | 1879. | It is a pamphlet of 12 pages 8vo. 5½x8½, and contains the names of 205 lawyers in 19 states and 142 eities.

During the summer of 1879 the Fourth General Catalogue of the fraternity was issued under the direction of the Alpha. It bears upon its its title page the following: "| Catalogue | of the | Delta Tan Delta | Fraternity." | Published under the supervision of the Alpha | in the Twenty-first Year of the Fraternity, June, 1879. | Editors: | Chas. C. Bruce, '79; Walter L. McClurg, '79; Frank F. Lippitt, '80. | The title page is faced by the usual vignette of the seal. The book, which bears the imprint: "Meadville, Pa, Press of the Crawford Journal," has viii. and 144 pages, 8vo., $5\frac{3}{4}$ x9, with carmine page border, and the headline: "Delta Tau Delta Fraternity;" it was bound in

blue and brown flexible cloth covers and carries a gilt impression of the fraternity seal. It has the usual "list of founders," table of contents and a brief preface. The chapter lists are arranged in groups by divisions, in the order of seniority. They are preceded usually by a page showing an original design for chapter vignettes and the names of the founders and charter members. The names are arranged alphabetically by classes and are usually followed by some indication of the occupation. The Epsilon, Albion; Iota Beta, Adrian; Chi, Iowa Wesleyan University and Epsilon Beta, Illinois Wesleyan University, are the chapters which Delta Tau Delta had added to her roll since the date of the last catalogue. The index of names, which appears for the first time, shows a total enrolment of 1,835 names. In the Necrology fifty-two names appear. On the whole this catalogue, thanks to the industry of its compilers and the ample provision of the Catalogue Fund, is in every way creditable to the fraternity, being fully equal to the catalogues which other fraternities, not excepting even the oldest and most pretentious, had issued up to this time. It is proper, however, to make one exception in favor of the Psi Upsilon fraternity which, in March of that year, had inaugurated an entirely new departure in fraternity catalogue literature; it had issued its first biographical catalogue, unique in its plan and execution and elegant beyond all precedent in typographical and general appearance. It at once became the standard for all works of this class and several of the leading fraternities at once prepared to follow Psi Upsilon's example. Delta Tau Delta could not afford to remain idle and Bro. Walter L. McClurg, Alpha, '79 who had been entrusted by the convention of 1879 with the task of editing the Fifth General Catalogue of the fraternity, at once began to accumulate data for his work. He was unable, however, owing to his duties as member of the Executive Committee, to make rapid progress and was finally compelled to ask for relief from his trust, which was granted at the General Convention of 1881, when the work was placed into the hands of the Rho at the Stevens' Institute of Technology. The work was placed into the hands of three of

the chapter's resident graduate members, A. P. Trautwein, '76, H. T. Bruck, '78, and L. A. Mathey, '80, who diligently applied themselves to their task, and after almost three years of incessant labor, and at great expense, published in June of 1884, the Fifth General Catalogue of the fraternity, now so well known throughout Delta Tau Delta. It was fully described in detail in the Crescent for June, 1884, and again in November of the same year, and does not, therefore, require to be described in this connection.

The Sixth General Catalogue of the fraternity will be issued under the auspices of the Rho in the thirty-first year of the fraternity at the convention, 1890.

AN OPEN SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The plea of "Alumnus," in the November CRESCENT, for a circulation limited to Deltas, is doubtless based upon the assumption that our journal enjoys a large and extensive circulation among other fraternities. Our honored brother has simply given undeserved credit to an exasperating rumor which each successive editor, to his own satisfaction at least, has completely exploded. Delusive hope! Barren joy! For, like the famous ghost, it will not down, but again and again "bobs up serenely," with a never varying grace. Its marvelous vivacity and vigor never fails to fill the editorial soul with an infinity of gladness and charity; so much so that each and every editor, past and present, is now officiating as a gentle apostle of light and sweetness. Far be it from us to deny that the Crescent is worthy of such a patronage, and we wonder sometimes that our friends of the Greek World have almost unanimously failed to appreciate the feast of good things spread before them in the monthly pages of the Crescent. The truth of the matter is, that the foreign subscriptions of the Crescent are not now, never have been, and probably never will be, sufficient to even keep the paste-pot simmering in the editorial sanctum. Most fraternities undertake a pretty large contract in supporting their own organ creditably, without spending their substance upon the journals of rival fraternities. Whatever measure of power or influence, of goodly reputation or solid character, the Crescent has attained. is the result of the support accorded it by loyal, enthusiastic Deltas. We would have no one abate one jot or tittle of the praise and commendation which such a support has warranted and thoroughly deserved, and we exhort all Deltas who cherish the delusion that the devotees of other fraternities are performing the duty which is part of the obligation of every Delta Tau, to arouse themselves from their unworthy dream, and in a noble, manly way forever destroy the imputation that the Crescent is in any manner, shape or form dependent upon the charity and generosity of our rivals for its existence and success.

"Alumnus" would have our list limited to fraters and friendly exchanges, because for sooth the chapter correspondents could write their letters with much greater calmness, courage and fortitude, secrecy doubtless inspiring them with the hope that any trifling exaggerations they might indulge in, would escape the jeers and sneers, the gibes and ridicule of sleepless foes, who, at any exposure of weakness in a rival, are ready in solid phalanx "to come down like a wolf on the fold." To this we would answer, first: That if any of our chapters are too weak to withstand the caustic comments and criticisms of their rivals-let them die. So much the better for the chapter; so much the better for the fraternity. Second: As a rule, strong and vigorous fraternities infuse a college with a strong and vigorous life. As the number and vitality of the fraternities grow, the standard of the college rises, its reputation spreads, its influence widens. The death of a chapter cripples the prestige of the college and its weakness never fails to react upon the remaining fraternities. Chapters composed of wise, thoughtful and prudent men never desire, much less conspire and plot for the destruction of their rivals. Rather will they, if the college can well supply the material, throw open its portals and welcome the entrance of a reputable rival. Third: Any attempt to restrict the circulation of the Crescent would be a limitation that would not limit. In our brief career as editor of the Crescent we sometimes yearned considerably for a copy or two of certain sub rosa journals. We always got them, and that without any extraordinary difficulty. Past experience teaches that a restricted circulation would only generate a desire to discover whatever secret information the journal might contain and that an attempt to raise a barrier to outside subscribers

would only result in an increased circulation among the aforesaid outsiders, without any corresponding increase in revenue.

The Crescent claims to be the progressive journal of a progressive fraternity. We therefore feel it our duty to discourage any policy which would delay her onward march. We do not desire to see the return of the days when Greek fraternities had nothing in common but a savage jealousy and a bitter hatred; when each fraternity arrogated to itself all the wisdom and virtue and power of the archangels and looked upon its opponents as unregenerate sons of evil, the absolute personification of weakness, folly and vice; when fraternity journalism was young and fresh, and the editors likewise; when chapter letters were too frequently merely the frothy bubbles of vanity and conceit and teemed with flagrant insinuations against the honor and uprightness of fellow students who had unfortunately drifted into rival fraternities. Fraternity journalism has grown highminded and generous since those days, and the present broad and liberal spirit of the Greek World is one of the happy results of that growth. The logical result of a spirit of moderation and self-restraint has been to make the Greek societies the most potent force in college life, and has extended their power beyond college halls into the broader avenues of religion, politics and literature. To narrow the circle of influence by retiring behind the barriers of an ignoble self-interest, or by fanning into a flame the smouldering embers of sectionalism, would be a positive calamity to not only fraternity and college, but to the greater interests of education and morals. The Crescent should be the last to precipitate such a disaster.

HARRY W. PLUMMER, Editor CRESCENT '82-'83.

SONG BOOK SUGGESTIONS.

A song book for our fraternity is now in process of compilation, under the direction and supervision of chapter Iota. all fraternity publications, the song book has been the most difficult to successfully issue. Lack of suitable material has been the cause of delay in many of these publications, especially so with our own. When we consider the age of our order, it is not surprising that the collection of worthy songs and poems is a somewhat difficult task. We are the youngest of our greatest Of the song books which have been published, not much can be said in their praise. True, a few of them are fully up to the standard of the order which they represent, yet many are poor in material and far from neat in appearance. From a financial point of view, all, or nearly all, we venture to assert, have been a failure. The richer fraternities are not obliged to depend on the subscriptions to the book to make it successful, but there is another class which does, and we are among this number. Therefore, to make our song book an assured success in material, appearance, and as an investment, we offer this idea. Should this book we are about to compile be exclusively a song book? A great deal more interest would be taken in it, both by active members, alumni and outsiders, if the book were entitled "Songs, Ballads and Poems of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity." This sounds sonorous and would look well in purple and gray. Some may object to the word "outsiders;" nevertheless, if a number of this class chose to buy copies of the book for the variety it may contain, then two points are gained, namely: additional revenue and a wider recognition of our order. Both points are certainly desirable. Then our fraternity boys would take more interest in the book if it contained not only songs, but ballads, narrative poems, humorous rhymes and fraternity jingles, all composed by members of Delta Tau Delta. Do not let us have anything immature, imitative or insipid; we want a book that we are not ashamed to show to anybody or to see on the shelves of a bookseller. We have not enough songs to make a representative book, so the plan is suggested and is worthy serious consideration.

EDITORIAL.

Bro. H. W. Plummer, a former editor of the Crescent, contributes an article in this number upon an open subscription list, which receives the hearty endorsement and approval of the editors. Indeed, we have considered his view of this question as the established policy of the fraternity at large.

A GLANCE at the list of initiates, as published last month, shows inexcusable neglect, on the part of the S. As. in filling out their enrolment blanks. Numbers are wanting, the middle name and even the residence in two cases are not given. Such repeated errors are truly exasperating, and the guilty ones should at once correct these mistakes and never again be taken to task for such carelessness. The incalculable annoyance and trouble it will cause the catalogue committee, unless rectified in time, can not be exaggerated.

Upon the inception and organization of every Greek order, certain qualifications for membership are embodied in a constitutional article, which are supposed to be a model for the formation of all succeeding chapters. Moral, intellectual and social qualifications are usually made obligatory, and in almost every chapter one of these characteristics may be observed to predominate. Thus chapters of different fraternities in the same college are distinguished by the qualification which they consider most essential, or the various and peculiar blending of the three. Thus in most colleges there is the social fraternity; the intellectual fraternity, "book worms;" the good fraternity, those ministerially inclined; the intellectual and social; the intellectual and moral;

and all the different combinations intermediate. It often occurs that two chapters have the same standards for membership, yet it is more often the case that they choose a different style of men, although conflictions frequently occur. Every available student who enters college will find there friends of his grade and cast, and this distinction is often brought into unusual prominence when a student gets into a chapter where he does not belong, where he finds himself "out of place."

Every fraternity is supposed to have a certain fixed standard of membership, and to endeavor to make each of its chapters like unto the others, that is, to bring into the order such men as will fraternize with every other brother. This is the correct idea and the closer it is followed, the more successful will be the fraternity, the firmer will be the bond of friendship between every member. But the realization is far from the ideal. Few fraternities are there which agree in toto when it comes to a comparison of the men. In most of the societies, in fact, you will not find more than half a dozen chapters in which the personnel of the members is strikingly similar. In almost every organization you will find chapters, the members of which present almost every possible construction of the qualification of membership as found in the constitution. The truth of this assertion finds a living example in every convention and congress, which brings together representatives from all the chapters.

Such is undoubtedly the case. The question now arises, will the best results be attained by making the membership of every chapter alike, and if so, how is this to be done? The manner in vogue with most secret societies, in founding new chapters, of sending one man, or leaving it to the judgment of one man, to select the material for a new chapter, has and always will give this diversity in the make-up of a chapter. The presence of one representative man would tend to give the chapters more of a similarity; but this would entail an expense, and it is a question whether it could always be met. To remedy the present dissimilarity among the members of different chapters is a work difficult and laborious. The supreme power should endeavor to

define and exemplify the standard, but here again comes the difficulty of deciding, when the representatives are as diverse as are the different opinions.

In societies of a large number of chapters a similarity of the members may almost be considered an impossibility, yet that it is the ideal to which we all tend none can deny, and every precaution should be taken in the initiation of new men and the establishment of new chapters that their complexion should be as near as possible to our mutually agreed-upon standard.

ONE of our correspondents makes what we regard as a very timely suggestion to the effect that at some suitable place in the City of New Orleans, a book be placed, in which all members of our fraternity might enroll their names and temporary addresses while in New Orleans in attendance upon the World's Exposition now in progress in that city. During the time of the Centennial Exposition such a record book was kept at the St. Cloud Hotel in Philadelphia, and was freely patronized by members from all parts of the country, some hundreds of names being enrolled. It was regarded by many as a very great convenience and became the means of many pleasant gatherings of Delta Taus. This, it should be remembered, was at a time when there was nothing like that enthusiasm and activity throughout the fraternity which characterizes it to-day; it was before the days of the CRESCENT, and the fact that such a record book was in existence became known only by correspondence and word of mouth. Our membership has almost doubled during the years which have since elapsed, and we are led to believe by these and other considerations that such a record book will prove a successful means of bringing members of the fraternity together. We believe that quite a number of Deltas are permanently connected with the Exposition and will remain in New Orleans during the next five months, and we would suggest as the readiest plan of carrying this scheme into effect, that some one make application to the General Secretary for the centennial register and place it into responsible hands at some favorable point. We will gladly keep

the fact before the notice of the fraternity through the CRESCENT, as the plan is one which has our fullest endorsement. The time is close at hand when the chapters of two of the grand divisions of our fraternity will meet in annual conference. The chapters of the first division will hold their third annual conference in New York City, on February 23d, under the auspices of the Sigma at Columbia and the Rho at Stevens, while the chapters of the second division will meet for their fourth annual conference under the auspices of the Psi at Wooster at the same time. The success which has attended these gatherings in the past has won for them, in spite of the fact that they are not constitutionally recognized and hence have no legislative or executive influence, a strongly intrenched position in the organization of our fraternity. We heartily favor any movement which tends to bring the members of our several chapters into closer personal contact, for social intercourse and for comparison of notes and experiences. In this direction the value of these gatherings can not be over estimated and they are fully worth all the expense which their maintenance entails. To the undergraduate actively engaged in the routine work of the fraternity these conferences afford an excellent opportunity for gaining an insight into the methods of his sister chapters, to inform himself, by inquiry among delegates and visitors, as to the fraternity system at other colleges. To the alumni who have outgrown the active duties of the fraternity these annual conferences are becoming the means of renewing their association with the fraternity, and when held in cities like New York, Philadelphia, &c., invariably call forth a large attendance of alumni. It is the privilege of a few only to attend the annual general conventions of the fraternity; the places for these meetings must be chosen, not so much with reference to the geographical center of the fraternity, as to their accessibility to the delegates of our thirty chapters. Not so, however, with the division conferences which should meet at such points which are known as centers about which the fraternity congregates, in order to ensure the largest possible attendance of visitors. It is doubtless with this end in view that the first

division last year again decided to meet in New York City, which in one respect is not peculiarly fitted for the meeting owing to the fact that it is conveniently located for only two of the chapters, yet contains so many Deltas that the attendance at the conference in that city last year, was surpassed only by the general conventions of Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Indianapolis.

OUR EXCHANGES.

Preparations for the convention of Phi Delta Theta at Nashville, Tenn., an account of which appeared in our Greek World, occupies much of the space in the November number of the Scroll. A poem; a sketch of Hon. John Fines Philips, who made an address at the recent convention, and a review of the catalogues of different fraternities by the editor, W. B. Palmer, completes the literary contributions. The following catalogues are reviewed in a very critical and able manner: Sigma Chi, Phi Gamma Delta, Psi Upsilon, Sigma Phi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Phi, Alpha Delta Phi, Zeta Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Phi, Chi Psi, and our own recent publication, of which he speaks as follows:

"The editor of the catalogue of Delta Tau Delta, published in 1884, acknowleges indebtedness to the catalogue of Psi Upsilon for his general plan. The books bear the imprint of the same publishers, and are similar in appearance. The pages are of the same size, and the type of the same kind. The pages in the Delta Tau Delta catalogues have colored borders and corner monograms, as is the case with the catalogues of Psi Upsilon and Chi Psi. The Delta Tau Delta work, however, has a number of distinctive points. The active chapters, instead of being arranged chronologically, as is the method with almost all other catalogues, are arranged by grand or geographical divisions. Following the list of the active chapters are the lists of the dead chapters grouped together. The frontispiece is a steel engraving, very neat in design. There are no other illustrations in the book. The editor furnishes an explanation and a preface, and one of the founders of Delta Tau Delta, an introduction. Then follows ten pages giving a succinct and carefully prepared history of the fraternity. Preceding each chapter list, except the dead chapters, is a short account of the college at which the chapter is established, and a brief record of the chapter's career. These articles are well written, and are interesting to others as well as Delta Taus. To some, however, it may seem that it would have been more satisfactory to have printed the history in a separate volume from the catalogue. The names are divided alphabetically by years, but members belonging to chapters located

at institutions where the class system does not prevail, are entered according to years of initiation. Members who never attended the institutions at which their chapters are located, are separated by a dash from the classes under which they are placed-a similarity to the Psi Upsilon work. The Delta Tau Delta catalogue, like those of Beta Theta Pi and Chi Psi, follow the method of Psi Upsilon in giving the year of death twice, once between the asterisk and name, and again at the end of a biographical note. It is rather amusing to note that all of these catalogues adhere to the same standard of punctuation. In the biographical notes, some of which are thirty lines long, the many different items, though referring to entirely different things, are separated only by semi-colons. This needlessly confuses a long entry and detracts from clearness. The catalogue of Delta Tau Delta has Greek, upper and lower-case, for secret letters. A nongraduate is indicated by a dagger, and the relationships of father and son and of brothers by parallel and double dagger respectively. Too much credit cannot be awarded to the editors for the thoroughness and completeness of the biographical entries. Before their labors began, the records of Delta Tau Delta were probably in a very defective condition, and even now there are a considerable number of initials, where there should be full names, and many names to which no biographical notes are attached, still only a glance at the book is necessary to show that a prodigious amount of labor has been expended on it to make the result so nearly perfect. Evidently infinitive pains were taken to obtain correct personal data concerning the entire membership, and the fraternity has just cause to be proud of its catalogue. The book contains the usual alphabetical index, and the now indispensable table of relationship and residence directory. The plan of Psi Upsilon and Beta Theta Pi, in giving the occupations and the city streets and numbers in the directory instead of the chapter lists, is followed. One serious defect is the absence of a summary of the membership. We would like to know how many members there are in the book, but it would be almost too much trouble to count them.

GREEK WORLD.

 $B \Theta \Pi$ has sixty-three members in the city of Chicago.

 $\Phi \perp \Phi$ has again laid siege to the University of Michigan.

Phi Delta is trying to plant its "Scroll" in Erskine.—Kappa Alpha.

Phi Kappa is the name of a new fraternity at Mercer University, Macon, Ga.

Kappa Alpha is considering the advisability of entering the University of Alabama.

A state association of Kappa Alpha was formed November 12th at Columbia, South Carolina.

A T $\mathcal Q$ is the only fraternity which initiates preps at the Alabama State college, Auburn, Ala.

The fraternities have at last buried the hatchet at Central University and peace reigns now in the elections.

The charter of the DePauw chapter of D. K. E. was withdrawn at the convention of 1881 but was returned by the convention of 1882.

The chapter of Sigma Chi at the University of Cincinnati has organized a building fund and hopes at no distant date to erect a suitable hall.

At the University of Mississippi, although there are eleven well-established fraternities, the number of "barbs" is greater than the fraternity men.

An inter-fraternity party will take place at the University of Wisconsin February 13th, which will be participated in by all the chapters except the $\Phi \perp \Delta \theta$.

Denison is sure to have another fraternity in the near future.

The young men interested are first class material and whoever takes them need not blush for the calibre of the men.

Hon. Albert G. Porter, the outgoing Governor of Indiana, is an honorary member of Beta Theta Pi, while Colonel Isaac P. Gray, the new Governor, is an honorary member of Sigma Chi.

According to the $Sigma\ Chi$, the $\theta\ \Gamma\ \mathcal{L}$ s at the Illinois Wesleyan University, failing to get their official organ located there, have started a local organ as a rival to the regular college publication.

Major William H. Calkins, who was defeated in the late unpleasantness as the Republican candidate for Governor of Indiana, was made an honorary member of Phi Kappa Psi June 19th, 1883.

The fraternities at Allegheny college have appointed committees for a joint conference on the subject of prohibiting the initiation of preps. It is thought that all the chapters represented will agree to this move.

The ninth biennial congress of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity convened at Philadelphia December 31st, and continued three days, the banquet being held Friday evening, January 2d. The fraternity in general wos reported to be in a prosperous condition. Among other transactions of the convention was the adoption of a conservative policy by which several chapters had their charters revoked. Several important additions were made to the manner of conducting the work of the order. The *Pulm* will be continued as a quarterly.

The fraternity men from Indiana in the Forty-ninth Congress will be as follows: Senators—Beta Theta Pi, Hon. Daniel W. Voorhees (DePauw); Phi Delta Theta, General Benjamin Harrison (Miami). Congressmen, Beta Theta Pi, Colonel Courtland C. Matson (DePauw), Hon. William D. Bynum (Indiana University) and Hon. Jonas G. Howard (DePauw); Phi Delta Theta, Judge William S. Holman (Franklin) and Judge Thomas B. Ward (Miami); Sigma Chi, Major Thomas R. Cobb (Indiana University); Delta Tau Delta, General Thomas M. Browne (Indiana University).

The annual dinner of Kappa Alpha was held January 2d at Delmonico's, New York. General Jesse C. Smith presided. Among the members present were Judge G. S. Munger, Dr. De Forest Day, Dr. Charles F. Chandler, Ex-Governor Henry M. Hoyt, the Rev. William Tatler, Dr. S. S. Burt and E. N. Potter. There were twenty-five representatives present from Union, Hobart, Williams, Cornell and Princeton colleges and the University of Virginia, where the six chapters of the fraternity have been situated. The Kappa Alpha is the oldest society in this country. It was founded about 1825, at Union College.

January 11th, about 6 o'clock in the morning, the hall of Sigma Chi at Wooster University suffered from a fire and citizens and students thronged up the smoky stairway to behold the ruins. Fortunately the fire had been only in the rear room of their apartments and so they suffered very little loss. For quite a time the hall stood open, and spectators could enter and view their engines of initiation, and even their secretary stood open, exposing all their documents. Some of the profane who entered the sanctum were even rude enough to seat themselves in the Grand Worthy's chair and smoke. The origin of the fire can not be clearly accounted for. They had their property well insured and so lose but little.

The thirty-eighth convention of the Zeta Psi fraternity was held January 8th, 9th and 10th at the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., about fifty delegates being in attendance. The following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year: 1 A, Hon. George S. Duryee; 2 A, F. H. Culver; 3 A, L. E. Malone; 4 A, Gustavus Remak, Jr.; 5 A, Charles R. Everson; 6 A, D. Maxwell; 7 A, Frank H. Bowen. The annual banquet was held at the Continental Hotel, the menu being printed on paper manufactured by hand in that city about the year 1784. A collation was given by the Philadelphia chapter, in their rooms at Thirteenth and Chestnut streets, after a theatre party at the Academy of Music to witness "Zanita." It numbers among its members some of the most distinguished men in national and state affairs. The convention was held under the

auspices of Sigma chapter, the oldest Greek letter society in the University of Pennsylvania.

The St. Anthony club of New York, the graduate association of Delta Psi, has recently added a large and commodious wing to the chapter house at 29 East Twenty-eighth street, New York, so as to meet the increasing demands for membership. The thirty-eighth annual convention of the fraternity was held in New York City on December 30th and 31st. Delta Psi was established in 1847 at Columbia college and now has a graduate membership of over 3,500, prominent among whom are Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, Bishop Doane of Albany, the late John A. Anthon, Grand Master of the Masons; Gen. W. S. Ward, President of Delta Psi; Rev. Chas. F. Hoffman, Dean of the General Theological Seminary, New York; A. L. Hopkins, vice-president of the Wabash R. R.; Prof. Geo. O. Holbrook, of Trinity college; and Robert S. Jenkings, Ex-State Attorney General of New Jersey.

The Psi Upsilon alumni of Western New York held a reunion in Rochester recently. Charles Dudley Warner sent a letter of regrets, in which he said: "No, I cannot be with you on that interesting Psi U occasion. I start, however, on a short tour of inspection of state prisons, with the legislative view of bettering our own. That subject would not interest your meeting, but I may as well confess that in all the penitentiaries I have never found a Psi Upsilon This may seem strange, for we find them in Congress and in almost every other walk in life. I have faith to believe that if one of them got in, he would have wit enough to get out speedily. What will happen to us in the present philanthropic movement, when prisons are becoming more comfortable and cheaper than hotels and with no need of escape ladders and with better Thanksgiving dinners, I cannot say. They may be so attractive that men will run for them as they do for office."

CHAPTER LETTERS.

ALPHA-ALLEGHENY.

The winter term opened with the accession of a few new students, all the members of our chapter being in their places at the first meeting, held January 10th.

The familiar face of Bro. Baldwin, Canton, O., class '84, lighted up our rooms during the vacation. "Enie" shows a warm feeling for his chapter, which was emphasized in a substantial way.

Our suite of rooms, which have been fitted up at an enormous expense, have still a debt hanging over them. This is fully covered by subscriptions, but some of our alumni are slow in remembering their obligations.

UPSILON—RENSSELAER.

Greek world is very quiet here at present, most of the fraternities having taken or pledged all the men that they wish.

The following are the number of men that each fraternity has taken in this year: $\varDelta \varphi$, 6; $X \varphi$, 6; $\varDelta T \varDelta$, 5; $\varDelta K E$, 4; $Z \Psi$, 3; $\Theta \Xi$, 2; $\Theta \varDelta X$, 1. We have two more men "on the string," and hope by my next letter to introduce them to the CRESCENT world.

We had the pleasure of having with us for two days Bro. Trautwein, P. It is the first time that we've had him visit our chapter and hope that he will repeat his visit before long.

The following is an extract from one of the daily papers here: "Social circles here are agitated over the disappearance of Frank B. Robinson, a student in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. It has just been developed that Robinson was married to Nettie Jacobs, a woman from Syracuse, who lived in a disorderly house here. Robinson is the son of a wealthy locomotive builder at Richmond, Ind., and moved in the highest social circles. He has been expelled from the Chi Phi society and disinherited." Robinson entered the Institute last September with the class of '88 and joined the Chi Phi fraternity.

We have at present Bro. Carey with us. He intends to remain with the Delta boys for a couple of weeks.

We are all quite busy now with reviews preparatory for examinations.

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PI-LEHIGH.

Another vacation has come and gone, and after enjoying diverse festivities for three weeks (the poor wretches who were unfortunate in their management of the "horse" in the Christmas examinations will please bow) we have again returned to take up our for-the-time-being forgotten books. But I fear the susceptible freshmen, or the boastful soph., and, perhaps, the more wily upper classmen will see, in the place of circles, tangents and angles, the bewitching smile, the graceful form, or (not unlikely) the farewell look of the *chere amie* from whom fate has so cruelly torn him.

After absenting himself from Lehigh for some months, Bro. Hardcastle once more adorns our meetings with his beaming countenance. While feasting in honor of the prodigal's return, our mirth was greatly lessened by the announcement that Bro. Rathbun would be compelled to seek a warmer clime on account of poor health, and intended making an extended tour of the Southern states during the present term. This little coincidence goes to prove that the "powers that be" have apparently decided to keep our number at ten, which it has been from time immemorial.

On the evening of December 16th Bro. Wilbur was married to the only daughter of our honored president, Dr. Lamberton. It was a very brilliant and noteworthy event. Bro. Dalrymple,

'83, assumed the role of best man, and the ushers included Bro. McIlvaine, Price and G. Linderman.

After the reception was over, a most delightful Delta reunion was held in our chapter house, Bros. Converse, Dalrymple, Butler, R. Linderman, McIlvaine, Snyder and Abbott representing the "old boys." It was one of those real jolly affairs for which Pi is noted. May we soon have another.

Either through the carelessness of the writer, or by a printer's "slip," the November Crescent made the startling announcement that Phi Sigma Chi was in a bad way at Lehigh. It should have read Phi Kappa Sigma.

PSI-WOOSTER.

Psi was so busily engaged in looking after her interests at home that she was unable to send a letter for publication in the last number of the Crescent. The fact is, her members felt a need of more convenient and comfortable quarters, and in a city where halls are in as great demand as here, nothing short of the most untiring vigilance can secure one. But their efforts were crowned with success and thus $\Delta T \Delta$ in Wooster has made good the only point in which she has felt in any way inferior to other frats. She has now a beautiful and commodious home—a hall said to be the finest fraternity hall in the city, although it yet needs much to make it complete.

The Second Division conference is soon to be held under our auspices, and it was with this in view that we were laboring for a better hall. It is our desire to give the brothers who shall attend (and we sincerely hope they may be many) as warm a reception as will be in our power. We hear that there will be representatives from nearly every chapter in the division and we are anticipating a profitable time. For potent reasons it is found necessary to put the time of the conference near the beginning of April. Other and fuller announcements will be made later.

Bro. A. B. Nicholls, '83, who is now in the Northwestern Theological Seminary, spent a part of his vacation here with his mother and brother. He is the same "Old Nick" who used to rouse the boys by his humor in the old frat hall.

Bro. J. C. Sharpe, '83, also spent a few days here on his return to Pittsburg from attending the nuptials of—shall we say it ?—a prospective relative in Hoosierdom.

Bro. Dr. Smith, of Indianapolis, who, it will be remembered, was married here about a year ago, passed the holiday season in the city with his wife's relatives. He is a royal good Delta and is held in high esteem here, especially by the boys of Psi.

Dr. Eversole, with a company of city teachers, visited the Exposition at New Orleans during his vacation. He has again resumed his work and is ever alive to the interests of $\Delta T \Delta$.

The different chapters here are on apparently good terms and nothing of note is transpiring among them.

ZETA-ADELBERT.

News items of interest around Adelbert are as scarce as are the students. We do not desire to chronicle the doings of other fraternities, and the events in Zeta's history during the last month have not been such as would particularly interest the fraternity at large. However, we are not dead yet, as the correspondent of the ΔT Quarterly insists, but still are "four." Our men which we had "on the string" a while ago failed to materialize, on account of the string's breaking. We are expecting a "chain" soon.

We held a very enjoyable meeting the latter part of last term, at which several of our alumni were present. A spread was served and in all a most pleasant time was had.

Bro. Bemis and his hospitable wife entertained some of the boys at their home a few evenings ago. They report a royal time.

We had the pleasure just before vacation of a visit from Bro. Prescott, of Delta, whose people have lately moved to this city. As he is not far away now we hope to see more of him in the future.

Bro. Hugill, of Eta, favored us with a visit of a couple of days last term. Come again Billy.

Bro. Waite spent part of his vacation with Bro. Hole at his home in East Rochester, O. He reports finding "Slim" and his family prosperous and happy.

Bro. Waite will represent Zeta at the Second Division con-

ference at Wooster.

The Reserve, which the editors promise will contain some new features and we hope some improvements over last year's annual, will be out soon. We will be pleased to exchange with all chapters issuing publications.

Bro. Sherman, Eta '77, one of our flourishing alumni, is

happy over a "new doctor."

ETA-BUCHTEL.

The fall term has been a very enjoyable though quiet one for Eta. There has not been much "rushing" by any of the frats. We have initiated two men: Chas. Warrens and W. A. Holcomb. The Phi's have led one victim to the altar. The "Lone Stars" beamed upon one unfortunate and have joined "yon bright and glorious blazonry of heaven." The smoke of the skirmish has rolled away, and all is serene as a summer night.

BETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

As the vacation of our institution occurs in the winter—from December 15th to March 15—Beta Theta chapter is now scattered far and wide. One brother is quietly pursuing his studies in the "dark and bloody ground," two others are laboring as missionaries in the "land of flowers and alligators," several more are chasing the bounding mustang on the plains of Texas, portions of the chapter are also engaged in painting Philadelphia, Memphis, Augusta and Sewanee a deep vermillion, and your humble correspondent spends most of his time in sailing around a certain Southern bay close by.

All of us, however, expect to return to the University next term to wave the Purple and Gray over a new stone building, and will be prepared to welcome our visiting brothers in a style worthy of them. Of course, during vacation there is nothing going on in fraternity circles at our institution.

DELTA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of receiving a visit from Bro. Ware, formerly of '85, who often shows his remembrance of us by visits as well as other scarcely less satisfactory tokens of regard.

It has happened chiefly through mere carelessness that our CRESCENT list for the present year has been small, even in comparison with our diminished numbers. We have lately discussed the matter with the effect that by the time this letter is in print every active member of the chapter will probably be a subscriber. Delta chapter will be glad to assist to the full extent of her influence in passing, at the next convention, a law making the support of our journal obligatory upon all active members of the fraternity.

Bro. Prescott, '87, has changed his residence from Bay City to Cleveland, Ohio. We are glad of the opportunity to extend through him a fraternal hand to our Zeta friends, and to become better informed of their progress.

In the search after items of interest for this letter I have hit upon the following regarding the state of the University, which I might have given before, but which are yet timely: Owing to a lengthening of the course in several of the professional departments, the total number of students has steadily decreased for two or three years. It is now 1321 as against 1377 last year. It is among the possibilities that the income of the institution will be increased more than \$40,000 a year by a change from the one-twentieth of a mill tax to one-tenth. The present income is about \$200,000.

Last summer the University received by far the most valuable gift it has ever been favored with in the shape of an art collection, bequeathed by the late Hon. H. C. Lewis, of Coldwater, Mich. It has not yet been received, and, from the terms of the will, may not be for some years. It is the most valuable

art collection possessed by any American college or University, being valued at \$300,000.

Our professor of Greek, Prof. D'Ooge, has received the appointment as director of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece, for the year 1886-7. Prof. D'Ooge has been, for the past year, president of the American Philological association and his various addresses in that capacity have been very highly praised by Eastern newspapers.

It seems to us that it will be proper for the chapters of the third division to discuss briefly, through their chapter letters, the prospects for our division conference this spring. It is certain that they will be injured, more or less, by the fact that many chapters and individual members of the third division will feel unable to attend both the conference and the convention, and will feel that they ought to devote their energies towards the work of making the latter a success. It is possible that the remarkable conference of the first division last year was a positive injury to our convention at Watkins. If the interests of the conference and of the convention are found to conflict, there can, of course, be no doubt as to which we should give up for a year. We would suggest that there be a full expression of the third division on the subject in the next Crescent.

Bro. W. S. Summers, law '85, has just returned to resume his studies.

PHI-HANOVER.

We of Phi are all back from our Christmas vacation, with our recruit, Bro. Stratford, who was out of college last term.

It was the good fortune of all of us to run foul of some of our fraters from other colleges as we went to our different homes. Such a communion of loyal spirits has sent us back with new zest and earnestness to labor in our "Queen's" vinyard.

Your correspondent has perused with interest the minutes of the first division conference. This custom, recently bred, now firmly established, marks a good era in the growth of the fraternity. The minutes of the last conference of the third division is a source of frequent reference in Phi's work. The papers therein contained are full of interest and instruction. Phi can with propriety sound their praise because she can not claim the credit of representation. We expect, however, to make all the amends we can this year by a hearty co-operation at the Greencastle conference.

Bro. C. E. Brandt spent his holidays at his home in Hanover.

Your correspondent enjoyed a remarkably pleasant visit with Bro. Ryker, at Indianapolis during a part of the holidays.

Bro. Ramsay writes us that he has ascended Pike's Peak preparatory to another annual freeze-up. Bro. R. will soon become used to hybernating on the peak.

The senior class and about half of the chapter will visit the World's Fair at New Orleans.

IOTA-MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL.

Is it too late to congratulate the whole fraternity on the appearance of the new Crescent? We like it because it is improved in appearance and will make a neater volume. Thanks worthy editors.

Iota, of course, holds no meetings during the winter vacation, but already the boys are looking forward to lively times in the spring.

Among the teachers at the State Institute we saw nearly a score of Deltas, many of whom were prominent educators. Iota was well represented: A. J. Cook, R. C. Carpenter and R. G. Baird, of our college faculty, Multon Marble, principal of the Lansing high school, C. W. McCurdy, of Land Beach, and then Carl Bank, J. R. Sheldon and J. R. Abbot, of Lansing, L. W. Hoyt, of Grand Rapids, A. E. Brown, of Holt. Truly it was good to be there.

In answer to the appeal in the Crescent and to numerous letters for song book material, we have received just one answer. That, however, was cheering, and Bro. Snyder showed his loyal-

ty in a substantial way. Come brothers, don't wait to be asked again. Send in all you have and then begin to write more. We shall keep song book before you until you give us material.

KAPPA-HILLSDALE.

At Reading, Michigan, January 1st, the following sons of Kappa, with their ladies, enjoyed the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Parmelee: Bros. Dow, M. J. Davis, Heckenlively, Harvey, Kitchen, Mills, E. F. Parmelee, H. P. Parmelee and Parker. One of the most social features of the afternoon was the presence of Lieut. Gov. Buttars, of Charlevoix.

Bro. Wagner is succeeding admirably as manager of the college boarding hall.

W. M. Spears, on his way to spend Christmas at Parma, Mich., stopped a few hours between trains to visit Albion college. The Deltas were all out of town.

F. N. Dewey visited his friends on College Hill New Year's

day.

Kappa was represented at the State Teachers' Association at Lansing by the following fraters: Profs. Coppand, Haynes, Sears, J. D. Williams, Simmons, Millard, Gaige, Norton, Dow and Mills.

Fraters, extend a grip of welcome to your new brother, H. M. Coldren, of Legonier, Ind.

BETA BETA-DE PAUW.

At the opening of the second term we find our number reduced to thirteen, one having left us, to go in business at Terre Haute, Ind. While we feel the loss materially, it has in no way discouraged us. It has been the misfortune of our chapter from its beginning to lose many of its excellent men, yet Beta Beta is strong in spirit and filled with earnest workers in the cause of Delta Tau Delta. I think that this spirit will be manifested before long in capturing a couple more of worthy men. Though the attendance at college is slightly increased this term we have

found no one thus far whom we desire to adorn with the "purple and the gray."

Bro. Keith spent the holidays at New Orleans and other places in the South, he reports a pleasant trip.

Bro. Blackstock, during the holidays, visited Chicago, and while there called upon Bros. H. W. Plummer and W. L. McClurg.

We were fortunate to have with us Claud T. Griffith, of '86, a few days at the beginning of the term. He is now in the wholesale millinery business, Indianapolis.

We have received the Rho Chronicle and the Epsilon Star and only hope that the day is not far distant when every chapter will publish a similar paper, for there is nothing that indicates more the life and condition of a chapter.

XI-SIMPSON.

Vacation is done, the turkies are eaten, the Christmas festivities are past. Digestion, unburdened of its load, goes on in the regular fashion, and we are back at work. Eight of us in the fraternity circle, holding down our new furniture. The attendance for the winter term is quite large and there is some good fraternity material.

Bro. Burke Osborne's genial face looked in upon us last Saturday evening. He is not with us this term but is traveling with Bro. Chas. Miller of '84.

Xi was disappointed in not being able to make arrangements for the lecture of Bro. W. S. Summers, of Omega '82, and Delta '84. The time was short and a delay in the mail prevented us. Bro. Summers is making a reputation in the lecture field and is receiving high commendations from the press.

A box of good things for Christmas took its way southward to Bro. Lee, now of the St. Louis Law school.

Bro. J. F. Conrad popped in upon us like a ray of winter sunshine, and was as quickly gone again.

Bro. F. L. Davis, '84, passed Christmas vacation with us, but

has resumed his duties. He contemplates a post graduate next year at the University of Kansas.

Bro. Rob. Thompson, of Riverton, is teaching in Fremont county.

Bro. Byran S. Hull is controlling the affairs of Lincoln, Kansas. He is teaching there and spreading over as much territory as his plethoric purse will allow.

On account of a financial lay, Bro. Morris Daily has thrown up his school at Genoa, Neb., and is now a student at Drake University, Des Moines. Xi is just in receipt of a letter from him, telling of his pleasant experience of a visit with the Lambda brothers.

We wish to present to the fraternity our new frater, Edward Pollock Wright, class of '88. Bro. Wright entered our college as a preparatory student, so that he is quite well known to us. He was initiated on the evening of December 13th. W. H. Berry, of '72, was present. He is one of our charter members and the initiation awoke old time memories. Looking back upon his experience of twelve years, he declared that none of us would ever regret being Deltas. Then he opened his purse and set up the refreshments to the boys.

A very pleasant reception was given to our chapter by the "I. C." on the evening of December 9th. During the evening the ladies presented the Deltas with a fine plate mirror for their new rooms. The gift was the more appreciated, coming as it did from the I. C., between whom and the Deltas has always existed the strongest friendship. We are pleased to note the founding of a chapter of the I. C. in the University of Colorado, as it will add much to the pleasure of our chapter there.

It is rumored that our locals, the Rho Alphas, have secured a charter.

Charles Arthur Badley entered Simpson Centennary in the fall term of '80. He was initiated into Xi chapter of Delta Tau Delta January 14th, 1881. Bro. Badley was out of college a few terms but again entered in the fall of 1883 with the class of '87. He remained until last spring term when his failing

health warned him to seek a change of climate. He passed his summer in the mountains of Idaho, but found that the disease had too firm a hold on him, and returned to his home to die November 15th, 1884, in the 22d year of his age. So died a worthy Delta.

Resolutions adopted by chapter Xi upon the death of Bro. Badley, November 25th, 1884:

Whereas, The ranks of chapter Xi have again been broken by the untimely death of our esteemed frater, Charles. A. Badley, and

Whereas, By his death we sustain the loss of one whose Christian character, and zeal in the promotion of the welfare of his chapter are well worthy of our imitation, and

Whereas, His cheerful disposition and sociability have endeared him to his associates in college, therefore,

Resolved, That while we humbly accept the decree of the loving Father who has called him from our midst in the power of his manhood, yet, because of his loss, we are deeply grieved, and

Resolved. That in testimony of our bereavement and regard for him the badge of our order be inverted and mourning be worn for a period of thirty days, and

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to the relatives and friends of the deceased brother in this hour of deepest affliction, and

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the bereaved parents of the deceased brother as a lasting token of our regard and esteem for their son—our brother—and

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished for publication in the Crescent and Simpsonian.

COMMITTEE E. E. KELLY,
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OMICRON-UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

School opened at the University January 7th. The boys

were all back in time with the exception of a few who took in the Exposition during vacation. Every one reports a pleasant vacation.

The oratorical contest of the University will be held January 21st for the purpose of selecting an orator and delegates for the state contest, which will be held at Grinnell, Ia., February 5th. Our chapter expects to be well represented in the contest.

Bro. E. C. Gibson is now reading law in an office in Erie, Pa. He will not return to school again. Bro. Gibson was a good student and a loyal Delt, and we are sorry to lose him from our chapter.

Bro. Herbert Perry will not be in school this term. He

expects to spend part of the winter in New Orleans.

Bro. Arthur Bemis, of Independence, entered the law department this term for a two years' course. Bro. Bemis was with us last year and we are glad to see him back again.

Bro. Chas. Haller made us a short visit last week. He is still reading law in Davenport.

BETA KAPPA.—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The Christmas holidays have passed very pleasantly for the members of $B\ K$ and we are now all back in our places at the University.

Bro. Noxon spent the vacation at his home in Idaho Springs. Bro. Pease indulged in a good rest at his ranch on White Rock lane.

Bro. Johnson passed a part of the vacation in Denver.

Bro. Stanton, '82, came up from Denver on January 7th and attended our first meeting of this term on the 10th. He occupies a position in the State Library at Denver.

We have not been doing any "rushing" this year. It has not as yet become necessary since we have no rivals and we are determined not to initiate a man unless he is fully up to the standard and will be an honor to the fraternity. We hope, however, before the close of the year to present at least one such man to the readers of the Crescent.

ALUMNI OF DELTA TAU.

EPSILON-ALBION.

'79 Dr. John J. Encke has given up his practice at Coloma and is visiting friends here preparatory to entering a more profitable field of labor.

'81 Z. A. Clough is professor of the Carrington schools at Dakota.

'81 Rev. Wesley Hunsberger presides at the M. E. church at Hastings, Mich.

'84 Herbert E. Fiske, son of President Fiske, is employed in the countinghouse of the Leadville, Col., silver mines. We hope to see him during the holidays.

'84 C. C. Landon is taking a course at the Hahnmann Medical college and hospital at Chicago.

'86 A. N. Cole is in Lincoln, Nebraska, for the publishing house of Dickerson & Co., Detroit. Next year, it is expected, he will manage a branch house for the company.

TAU PRIME-WESTERN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

'75 R. S. Hampton and Miss Katherine E. Young, of Titusville, Pa., were united in marriage on the 19th of November last.

BETA BETA-DE PAUW.

'79 Geo. A. Gilbert, special agent of the Travelers' Insurance Company of Hartford, may be found in the Montank block, Chicago.

'85 Henry T. Floyd, in the employ of F. B. Dickerson & Co. of Detroit, is now in their branch office at St. Louis.

PSI PRIME-WABASH.

'75 James D. Conner, jr., is practising law in Wabash, Ind., being in partnership with his father, Judge James D. Conner.

'75 Jack J. Hinman is traveling salesman for Dean, Shipley & Co. of Cincinnati.

NU PRIME-INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

'73 Dr. James F. Heady is a practising physician at Glebdale, Ohio.

'74 W. C. Hobbs is president of the Commercial & Loan Association at Indianapolis.

BETA ZETA-BUTLER.

'82 Frank M. Morris was married to Miss Willa Guffin, daughter of Mrs. Lotta Guffin the artist, at the residence of the bride's mother in the Pullman Palace Block, Chicago, November 20th, 1884.

MU-OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

'71 Prof. J. N. Study, A. M., superintendent of the public schools at Richmond, Ind., has out "A Note Book for the Physical Laboratory," which is used in DePauw University and many other schools in Indiana and elsewhere.

'72 Rev. S. L. Beiler has returned to Wesley chapel, Cincin nati, O.

'74 Rev. B. F. Dimmick, an enthusiastic alumnus of Delta Tau, has been transferred from the Central Ohio Conference and stationed at Hartford, Conn.

SIGMA PRIME-FRANKLIN.

'77 Horace N. Calkins is an artist at Laporte, Indiana.

'78 Greenup Sexson has formed a partnership with the Hon. Joseph Claysbaugh at Frankfort, Indiana.

'81 Frank F. Moore, who delivered the master's oration at Franklin college last June, has formed a law partnership with Hon. Wm. R. Moore, at Frankfort, Indiana.

THETA - BETHANY.

'78 James H. Shinn is dealing extensively in cotton at Russellville, Ark.

'78 G. W. Shinn is successfully practising law at Little Rock, Arkansas.

'78 N. P. VanMeter and S. D. Goff are farming in the Blue Grass region of Kentucky. They are abundantly blessed with the goods of this world.

'78 M. J. Goodwin has a professorship in Carrollton Female college, Carrollton, Miss. He married in '79 and is justly entitled to the cup, which was to be presented to the first man of the class of '78 who was the happy possessor of a son.

'78 Z. T. Vinson is located as attorney-at-law at Ceredo, W. Va. He is still on the lookout for a wife. Will some brother please recommend a fair lady to him—he is certainly deserving.

UPSILON-RENSSELAER.

'81 C. P. Ruple is situated at Wilsons Pt., Louisiana. He is still with the Mississippi Improvement Co.

'82 Bro. Rosenberg is now at Spinces Creek, Pa., with the Pennsylvania R. R.

'82 Bros. A. E. and E. S. Deal are at present in Troy with us.

'84 H. E. McPherson is in business with his father in Philadelphia.

'84 Frank Spearman is engaged with the Sharpsville Iron Co.

'84 M. P. Quintana is in Utica, engaged in the water works of that city. He was in Troy a few days ago and paid us a visit.

XI-SIMPSON

'75 Dr. John D. Holmes is the Presidential elector from the ninth district of Iowa.

'76 E. D. Sampson, of Des Moines, visited us at our hall on the evening of the 9th.

'79 G. W. Blanchard has taken a wife to share his joys and sorrows.

'79 G. J. Delmage, of Creston, was in Indianapolis a few days since.

'79 C. W. Fisk, of Winfield, Kansas, is rejoicing over the birth of a son to his family.

'81 J. S. Smith, principal of schools at Fairplay, Col., took a distinguishing part in the political campaign in the Centennial state this year.

'84 F. L. Davis, of Riverton, is expected at Indianola in the near future.

'85 J. F. Conrad, of Des Moines, is en route for Seward, Neb. He has a rare treasure there.

'86 Morris Daily, of Genoa, Neb., talks of finishing his course at Drake University.

'86 O. A. Kennedy, who is now teaching near Villiska, expects to join us in the spring.

'87 A. S. Bussell is pedagoguing near Indianola.

'87 Thos. Murphy, of Monroe, writes that he will join us at the beginning of the spring term.

PI-LEHIGH.

'85. On the afternoon of December 16th, at 5 o'clock, in the Church of the Nativity, Fountain Hill, Miss Nannie Buckler Lamberton, daughter of Dr. Robert A. Lamberton, president of the Lehigh University, was married to Mr. Rollin Henry Wilber, son of E. P. Wilber, president of the Lehigh Valley Railway. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. K. Nelson, rector of the church, assisted by Bishop Howe and Assistant Bishop Rulison. Dr. Lamberton gave the bride away.

KAPPA-HILLSDALE.

'74 Wesley Sears has recently been elected secretary of the Michigan State Teachers' Association.

'75 Married: At Buffalo, N. Y., December 25th, Prof. J. W. Mauck to Miss Francis Ball, Grand Treasurer of the Kappa Kappa Gammas. Their future home is Chicago.

'78 W. W. Cook and two sisters have returned from a trip to New Orleans and other parts of the South.

'80. Married: At Zanesville, O., December 25th, J. N. Martin to Miss Allie B. Garside. They will reside at Ann Arbor, Mich.

'80 J. L. Wagner is principal of the schools at Grand Ledge, Michigan.

'81 E. F. Augir has a fine law practice at Le Mars, Id.

'83. Christmas we exchanged the friendly Delta grip with O. L. Walter, of the Dexter schools.

'84 C. E. Root has assumed his duties as principal of the commercial department, Washington Academy, Cambridge, N. Y. May success be his.

NOTES FROM BUSINESS MANAGER.

Having received many applications for back numbers of the CRESCENT which we were unable to fill, we have prepared a list of those we have on hand, together with a list of numbers, which can find a ready sale at this office.

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A very few of our subscribers responded to the hint thrown out in the December number, and we would again urge each one to remit \$1.00 to us at once. We must have the money.

In the next issue we shall try and have a percentage list of the subscribers, alumni and active, from each chapter. JAS. O. PARMLEE, A'69, Attorney-at-Law, Warren, Pa.

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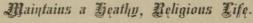
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