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THE FIRST DIVISION CONFERENCE.

The third annual conference of the chapters constituting the first grand division of the Fraternity was held, in accordance with previous announcement, on Monday, February 23d, in the City of New York, under the general auspices of the Stevens and Columbia chapters. The business sessions were held in the handsome theatre of the University club, on Twenty-sixth street, just east of Madison square. No more appropriate hall could have been selected than this, the home of the college men of the city. As early as half past nine o'clock a goodly number of delegates and visitors assembled in the theatre and proceeded without further formality with the delightful task of forming one another's acquaintance, of welcoming new arrivals and old fraternity friends, and at eleven o'clock, when more than a half hundred members of the Fraternity had gathered, the whole theatre and its lobbies presented an animated appearance. It was at once evident to even a casual observer that, like its predecessors in 1883 and 1884, this annual conference of the eastern division contained all the elements of success, for it had brought out a very full representation of the nearest chapters, and very satisfactory delegations from Lehigh and Rensselaer chapters and representatives from Alpha, Tau and Nu. The presence of a number of graduate members from the city and of several from Philadelphia and elsewhere added to the general make-up of the conference and made it truly representative of the Fraternity.

The assemblage was called to order shortly after eleven o'clock by J. Parker White, *H* '76, vice-president, in the unexpected and greatly regretted absence of the president, Henry T. Bruck, *P* '78, who was compelled to return to Hartford, Ct., on the preceding evening. John A. Mills, *S* '86, acted as secretary.

The invocation was delivered by the Rev. Lathan A. Crandall, K '73, pastor of the East Twenty-third street Baptist church, New York. After a few introductory remarks, President White called upon Prof. John L. N. Hunt, θ '62, honored as one of the associate founders of our Fraternity, to deliver the address of welcome in behalf of the resident members of the Fraternity. This pleasant duty Prof. Hunt proceeded to perform in his inimitable manner, eloquently voicing the sentiments of the resident Deltas. He recited the ever-interesting narrative of the early struggles of our Fraternity at Bethany twenty-five years ago, expressed his gratification at its success and his ability to welcome to New York City so representative a gathering of Deltas, and brought out, in his clear and comprehensive manner, the beautiful features of our Fraternity's motto. At the conclusion of his address Bro. Duff Merrick, as the delegate from Alpha and representative of the grand chapter, stepped forward and made a neatly-worded reply. Bro. John Calvert, II '76, was called upon and spoke in his usual hearty way of his pleasure in attending the conference (the third at which he was present), of the benefits which the Fraternity derives from gatherings like these and spoke a good word for his old chapter, the Pi, at Lehigh, of which, as one of its founder, he has so much reason to be justly proud. Bro. Marcus, H. Ranney, γ '85, spoke next as the delegate from the chapter having the second largest representation. This concluded the formal ceremonies connected with the opening of the conference. A brief recess was then taken to enable the secretary to examine credentials and the president to prepare the lists of the standing committees. The convention reassembled at 12:30 o'clock, heard the announcement of committees and listened to the chapter reports and then at once adjourned for the afternoon session. The resident alumni present then formally organized the New York alumni chapter of the Fraternity, whose application for a charter is now before the Fraternity. Prof. Hunt occupied the chair, A. P. Trautwein being secretary *pro tem*. The permanent organization was completed, with Rev. L. A. Crandall, K '73, as president, Prof. J.

L. N. Hunt, *θ* '62, as vice-president, and A. P. Trautwein, *P* '76, as secretary and treasurer, and a total membership of seventeen.

The conference re-assembled at two o'clock with an increased attendance and immediately proceeded to business under the vigorous management of Bro. W. W. Cook, *A* '80, who was called to the chair in the temporary absence of the vice-presidents.

A resolution was adopted calling upon the Fraternity to reduce the expenses of the general conventions by no longer allowing the traveling expenses of the officers to be paid from the general fund, believing that our national Conventions have now become of such importance that the honor and dignity of presiding over their deliberations should call for some personal sacrifice on the part of the general officers of the Fraternity.

Measures were devised for creating a fund for the purposes of further internal improvement and extension within the division, which, if successfully carried out, will certainly benefit the Fraternity. During the discussion attention was drawn to the condition of one of the chapters and the manner in which its sister chapters at once proceeded to devise the means for relieving it of its financial embarrassment is creditable alike to the forethought and loyalty of the division.

The CRESCENT received a fair share of attention and numerous suggestions were made and finally embodied in a committee report, whereby the standard, tone and character of the journal could be raised. A short recess was taken during the session to enable Bro. Anderson, *P* '88, to take a photograph of the conference, which he did, as subsequently appeared, with entire success.

The fourth annual conference will convene in the city of New York on Monday, February 22d, 1886. The arrangements are to be made by the Columbia chapter. The impression seemed to be general that no other city in the East could bring together so large and representative a gathering as New York, and as the primary object of these conferences is generally recognized to be the development of the social features of the Fraternity, the conference again showed sound judgment.

The following officers were elected: President, Will Carleton, *K* '69; vice-presidents, Hudson H. Hearn, *A* '72, and John Burgess Lynch, *S* '82; secretary, Wilbur F. Smith, *P* '87. Rev. L. A. Crandall, *K* '73, was elected orator of the occasion.

At eight o'clock in the evening about forty members of the Fraternity assembled in Daly's Theatre, Broadway and Thirtieth streets, to witness the performance of Farquhar's famous comedy, "The Recruiting Officer," which was then undergoing a most successful revival after a period of fifty years. The convention occupied choice orchestra seats, thanks to the foresight of the the committee of arrangements, which had procured them some weeks in advance.

At eleven o'clock the party repaired to Delmonico's, Broadway and Twenty-seventh streets, so far-famed as to require no further comment here. Following the custom of last year at least one of the formalities of a banquet was dispensed with in the arrangement of the tables, ten of which, each seating four persons, were grouped about the hall. The menu was elaborate and greatly enjoyed. Bro. J. Parker White, *H* '76, was toast master and in due course of time called upon Bro. W. W. Cook, *A* '80, in response to the sentiment, "Our Fraternity." To say that the subject received the careful and thoughtful treatment which it deserved, would be but an inadequate statement of the manner in which Bro. Cook carried out his task. He made it a strong justification of our Fraternity's aims, objects and ambitions, a strong plea for a high standard of membership, vigorous in its unstudied simplicity. The speech, unfortunately, was impromptu in its character, although to the very impulses of the moment it owed much of its effectiveness. It is hoped that, with the aid of some verbatim notes taken by several of those present at the time, Bro. Cook may be prevailed upon to reproduce his remarks, which deserve a permanent place in the CRESCENT. Bro. Duff Merrick, *A* '86, replied to the toast, "The First Grand Division," and Bro. Wm. Kent, *P* '76, to the sentiment, "Alumni of Delta Tau." Bro. A. P. Trautwein, *P* '76, followed with "Our Sister Fraternities." "College Days" received clever treat-

ment from Bro. A. G. Glasgow, *P* '85, while the last and formal toast, "The Ladies," was responded to by Bro. Arnoux, *Σ* '86. These toasts were interspersed with college and fraternity songs and two o'clock had come and gone when the banquet was formally closed. A number of the boys lingered in the festive rooms discussing chapter, fraternity and college affairs until after three o'clock, when the last Delta left Delmonico's.

Sixty-three members took part in the various exercises of the day. As the following roster will show, a goodly number of them traveled long distances in order to be present:

Prof. J. L. N. Hunt, *Θ* '62, New York City; P. G. Scheehle, *Θ* '72, Philadelphia; Rev. L. A. Crandall, *K* '73, New York City; W. W. Cook, *Λ* '80, New York City; A. H. Roudebush, *Α* '70, New York City; H. H. Hearn, *Α* '70, New York City; Duff Merrick, *Α* '86, Meadville, Pa.; C. B. Reid, *Γ* '83, Steubenville, O.; J. E. Denton, *P* '75, Hoboken, N. J.; William Kent, *P* '76, Jersey City, N. J.; A. P. Trautwein, *P* '76, Hoboken, N. J.; W. I. Cooper, *P* '77, Newark, N. J.; F. E. Idell, *P* '77, Hoboken, N. J.; L. J. Bruck, *P* '78, Hoboken, N. J.; John A. Bense, *P* '84, New York City; E. H. Foster, *P* '84, Englewood, N. J.; W. L. Lyall, *P* '84, New York City; C. F. Parker, *P* '84, New York City; Kenneth Torrance, *P* '84, Tenaflly, N. J.; A. G. Glasgow, *P* '85, Richmond, Va.; R. H. Rice, *P* '85, Rockland, Me.; C. E. Machold, *P* '85, Hoboken, N. J.; W. S. Chester, *P* '86, Englewood, N. J.; L. W. Serrell, jr., *P* '86, Plainfield, N. J.; R. M. Anderson, '87, Circleville, O.; R. N. Bayles, *Ρ* '87, Englewood, N. J.; C. L. Brownell, *Ρ* '87, Hartford, Ct.; L. W. Anderson, *Ρ* '88, Cincinnati, O.; Geo. Phipps, jr., Englewood, N. J.; F. S. Elliott, *T* '80, Philadelphia; John Calvert, *Π* '76, Philadelphia; J. P. White, *Π* '76, New York City; W. T. Goodnow, *Π* '83, Bethlehem, Pa.; R. P. Linderman, *Π* '84, Bethlehem, Pa.; J. B. Price, *Π* '85, Upper Lehigh, Pa.; R. H. Wilbur, *Π* '85, Bethlehem, Pa.; W. H. Sayre, jr., *Π* '86, Bethlehem, Pa.; G. B. Linderman, jr., *Π* '87, Bethlehem, Pa.; L. Bravo, *Π* '88, Bethlehem, Pa.; C. L. Flack, *Π* '88, Washington, D. C.; M. T. Hines, *Π* '85, Wyal-

sing, Pa. ; J. D. Earle, *H* '87, Brooklyn, N. Y. ; H. S. Saylor, *N* '87, Pittston, Pa. ; M. H. Ranney, *I* '85, Mohawk, N. Y. ; O. A. Zayas, *I* '86, New York City ; David Zieley, *I* '86, Canajoharie, N. Y. ; H. R. Asserson, *I* '87, Norfolk, Va. ; F. C. Gunn, *I* '87, Kansas City, Mo., V. S. Price, *I* '88, Cincinnati, O. ; J. B. Lynch, *S* '82, New York City ; F. F. Martinez, jr., *S* '82, New York City ; L. A. Bernheimer, *S* '84, New York City ; R. C. Carter, *S* '84, Elizabeth, N. J. ; E. W. Clarke, *S* '84, Tenaflly, N. J. ; C. B. Rowland, *S* '84, New York City ; J. W. Cleland, *S* '85, Brooklyn, N. Y. ; A. Arnoux, *S* '86, New York City ; L. J. Peckendorfer, *S* '86, New York City ; John A. Mills, *S* '86, Yonkers, N. Y. ; A. H. VanBrunt, *S* '86, New York City ; J. A. Moorcroft, *S* '87, Toledo, Iowa ; George Rowland, *S* '87, New York City ; P. C. Anderson, *S* '87, New York City.

THE COLLEGE MAN AS A POLITICAL LEADER.

It is an incontrovertible proposition that the highest intelligence in the ruler insures the greatest good to the ruled. Among enlightened nations the one that entrusts its affairs to the management of the highest political intelligence will be better governed than those who do not so entrust them. That highest political intelligence ought to be found as a rule among its best-educated classes.

It is true that great emergencies will arise, and that to meet them men will be providentially raised up. "The Divine right of kings" was to be overthrown and a Cromwell appeared in the history of England. "Taxation without representation" was to be made odious, and the wilds of Virginia brought forth a Washington. Human slavery—that sum of all villainies—was to be blotted out, and a Lincoln was summoned from the prairies of Illinois. Without the training of the schools these men were fitted by their peculiar genius for their peculiar work. God had trained them in his own way, in his own great school, for his own great work.

These isolated cases, however, do not disprove the rule that the highest intelligence in the ruler insures the greatest good to the ruled, or that this highest intelligence should be found among the most highly cultured classes. It is a matter of regret that the politics of the United States have not been more largely dominated and led by the educated classes than has been the case in our history. Oxford and Cambridge have ruled England for centuries. Their graduates have confidently looked forward to a share in the government of their country. The voices that with youthful vehemence rang through University corridors, in

after years with manly vigor echoed from the vaulted roof of parliament halls. In America the scholar has not been so uniformly conspicuous in politics as he should have been. He has been less conspicuous in the last half century than in the first, and this fact has not been to the advantage of the nation. The fact that our colleges do not lead the political thought of the country as Oxford and Cambridge do that of England, or even as Harvard and Yale. Princeton, and William and Mary did that of a century ago in our own land, I think may be fairly shown by an examination of the composition of our national legislature.

The congressional directory of the 47th Congress shows the following facts: In the Senate thirty-eight members had received a collegiate education and thirty-eight had not. Thus, in the upper branch of our national legislature, the one in which we should justly expect the members to be particularly distinguished for all that makes up the liberally equipped man, we find that the nearly four hundred colleges and Universities of our country are only represented at one-half the desks. In the House of Representatives the showing is by no means so favorable. Of the two hundred and ninety-three members who composed the lower House of the 47th Congress, but one hundred and seven were college graduates. One hundred and sixty-two had no collegiate training, while twenty-four claimed a partial collegiate course. In the 48th Congress — the present Congress* — but thirty-three senators are college men, while forty-three are not. In the House we find one hundred and twenty-seven college-bred members, twenty-nine who claim a partial collegiate course, and one hundred and sixty-eight who have had no college training — three-hundred and twenty-four in all, one seat being vacant when the directory was compiled.

What do these facts mean? Do they mean that the people do not appreciate the services of broadly cultured, fully equipped representatives? Do they mean this, or do they mean that the

*This article was compiled before the adjournment of the 48th Congress.

colleges of our land have not kept abreast of the popular currents of political thought and that their graduates are not the better qualified on account of their training to lead the people in the affairs of state? That the fault is not entirely with the people a further examination of the national legislature will show. There is in its halls an undue representation of one profession, that of the law. Of the senators no fewer than fifty-seven in the 47th Congress were lawyers; of the representatives, one hundred and eighty-four. In the 48th Congress there are sixty lawyers in the Senate and two hundred and twenty-four in the House.

For this preponderance there must be reasons. I believe that the great reason is that the people believe that lawyers, from their familiarity with the forms of law are especially qualified thereby for making law. The people, I believe, as a rule prefer able representation, and in seeking it they turn to members of this profession to afford it. Other reasons may be given for the predominance of the legal profession in legislative halls, but I believe that they are all secondary in character and in weight.

The popular opinion of the necessary qualification of lawyers for legislation on account of their profession is grossly erroneous. A lawyer may or may not be qualified to become a legislator. So far as his legal studies have perforce versed him in the fundamental law of our form of government, to that extent is he qualified by his studies for the business of legislation. But he is no better qualified than the journalist, the physician, the teacher, the farmer, the banker, the merchant, the manufacturer, the mechanic, who also may happen to be versed in the fundamental law of the land as any and every American citizen should be versed. The legal profession has gained its predominance in our legislation not so much because its members have, on account of their profession, been especially qualified for the duty as because men of other callings have been, as a body, so unpardonably ignorant and neglectful of matters of government as to give to the profession that did know somewhat, however little, of these things an undue prominence in the popular estimation.

A further examination of the directory shows that in the 47th Congress, of the thirty-eight senators who were college men thirty-two were lawyers, and that of the one hundred and seven college men in the House ninety-three were lawyers. In the 48th Congress but six senators and twenty-three representatives are college men and not also members of the legal profession. These facts would well lead to the inquiry whether the majority — the almost entirety — of those whom college men may claim as their representatives are there because of their college training, or whether they are there because of their legal training. A careful examination of the ramifications of government, both national and state, will disclose the same condition of affairs as we find set forth in the directory of Congress.

I believe that we may safely lay it down as a proposition bolstered up by undeniable facts that the college man, as a college man, is not in politics. We must admit the facts, but we may wisely inquire why they exist.

It has already been asserted in this article that it is a matter of regret that our politics have not been more largely led by college men than has been the case. This assertion must meet the assent of all who believe that college culture gives to its recipient those broad views of life and its duties, that strength to stand unmoved by the ever-shifting winds of doctrine, and that power to withstand the grosser temptations of life that should especially distinguish the statesman.

The opinion has also been advanced that the chief reason for the predominance of the legal profession in our halls of legislation is the popular opinion that members of that profession are, on account of that profession, especially qualified for political duties, and the popular desire to secure the best possible representation. This may not meet with so ready an assent, but a careful consideration will hardly fail to procure assent in the end. If these two points be well taken then we must look for the reason for the absence of the college man from politics in the colleges themselves. The average college curriculum furnishes almost nothing calculated to fit the collegiate for leadership in

affairs of state. In fact our whole system of education is vicious in the respect of political instruction.

The only excuse for the existence of free schools is that by them good citizenship may be fostered—not the good citizenship of Turkey, of Russia, or of Austria, but the good citizenship of a free government, in which every citizen is a participant in state affairs, and, to a certain extent, responsible for the workings of the government. What are the facts? The public schools have taught arithmetic and they have taught geography; they have taught the wonderful contortions of English orthography. They have even taught English grammar under the miserable pretense of teaching “the art of speaking and writing the English language correctly.” They have taught almost everything except those fundamental principles of government and their modes of operation which would prevent the pupil from falling prey to designing demagogues on leaving school.

The aspirant for college honors has been compelled to devote the major portion of his college life to the partial acquisition of the classic languages. Mathematics, the natural sciences, metaphysics, theology and other studies have been crowded into the scant remainder, and in most cases the graduate has gone forth into the world as ignorant of the fundamental law of his country, its political history and the science of government as he who has never been in sight of college walls. Let any one study with care the curricula of the colleges of our country as they have been and he will not wonder that the college man, as a college man, is not an important factor in our politics. Sir William Blackstone says, “I think it an undeniable position that a competent knowledge of the laws of that society in which we live is the proper accomplishment of every gentleman and scholar; a highly useful—I had almost said essential—part of liberal and polite education.”

It is hard for us to concede that what we have gained by severe effort is not commensurate in value to the energy spent in gaining it. This weakness of human nature, joined to a slavish worship of what is hoary with age, has fastened upon generation

after generation of men the almost exclusive study of two dead languages. The natural sciences have finally, with almost incredible labor, fought their way into college recognition, and here and there political science is countenanced, although as yet as a sort of out-door pensioner.

When the colleges shall find time to give to their students that knowledge which Blackstone declares to be "a highly useful, if not essential, part of liberal and polite education," we may not have such elegant Latin prose or Greek verse, but the college man will be a leader in his country's affairs.

J. N. STUDY.

THE FRATERNITY IDEA.

There exists in many cases in the minds of parents or guardians and of college faculties an antipathy to fraternities which is as ill-founded as it is unreasonable. It arises from an ignorance of their true spirit and mode of working, and, by an insight into these, all these unfortunate prejudices must be uprooted, unless, perhaps, they have become ineradicably fixed.

The college fraternity is an American institution, the growth of a republican garden. It could not exist in the older governments of Europe, where persons of all ranks and conditions are thrown together in the Universities. The heir of my Lord Marquis could not fraternize with the son of the poor clergyman who is honorably working out a good education for himself. It is only where the peerage is one of worth, and where titular rank cannot give a meretricious value to shallowness and incapacity, that the real fraternity idea can exist. We have often heard the wonder expressed, that in the English Universities, where we have so many famous instances of college friendships from that of Dean Stanley and Thomas Hughes back, there has never been a fraternity organized. The answer is undoubtedly to be found in the state of society there. My Lord Marquis' heir and the poor clergyman's son, however worthy each may be of the other's companionship, have each a social circle marked out for him in which the other cannot move.

Having seen, then, why the fraternity idea cannot grow in England, let us examine into the causes of its ready germination in American soil. The cause is to be found, perhaps, not so much in anything peculiar in American institutions as in the fact that here young men are left free to organize themselves accord-

ing to the promptings of their own natures. Worth is recognized in rich and poor indiscriminately, and the wealthy, profligate libertine is left as a fit companion to the "rambling rake of poverty."

"The republic of letters and that of worth," says a modern writer, "know no titles but their own." "There is a peerage of poverty as much as of title—a peerage both intellectual and moral." Youth is quick to recognize industry and nobility of character. There is a certain happy ingenuousness about it which goes a long way toward making up for the defect in experience; and school-boy honor is as quick, nay quicker, to resent all aspersions on character than that of later years.

But there is a fatal defect in the ingenuousness of youth. While it readily discovers merit, it can not separate between the good and the evil. It is the moth following the light of good nature to be consumed in the flame of immorality. Good-fellowship, like charity, covers a multitude of sins, and to say that one is good hearted means that much may be forgiven in him.

All these things a young man seeks and imitates in his companions, and it is in his choice of companions, often, that the whole course of his life may turn. "Any one could mould the life of a young man if he could prescribe his companions," says some one, and nowhere else is this so true as in college. A University is a little world in itself, a microcosm, a diminutive copy of the great outer world, with its recurring seasons, and, above all, its wide diversity of elements. A boy is taken there and turned loose to shift for himself and to take up with the friends who attract him most. The authority of the master, however wisely he may wish to exercise it, is of no avail here. The guardian influence of parents, the loving instinct of the mother and the wise counsel of the father is too distant to be materially felt. Early training often goes for naught amid the new influences which surround him. For want of a monitor to supply the lack of experience the boy is left almost entirely to himself in this great matter, which is as important as the intellectual education itself.

Now it is exactly this vacant place which the fraternity is intended to fill. It is composed of a band of young men bonded together by a community of aims and associated with like bands in other colleges under one general head and working together for the common good of their order. Their object is to render all assistance possible to each other in their educational life, both moral and intellectual, and to give each other a closer bond of union than the mere ties of casual friendship would afford. It has been claimed that the fraternity takes the place, at school, of the home circle. This is a mistake. No artificial union can usurp the sacred place of home. The holy names of father and mother can never be twice bestowed. But the fraternity does come nearer than anything else toward it and is its complement, as it were, in the school life.

It is based on the good principles of encouraging industry and self-confidence, guarding against evil associates by supplying their place with good ones, and ensuring self-improvement by a system of mutual assistance. It is generally composed of men of all ages, from about sixteen up, united in such a manner that the older ones can gain the intimate confidence of the younger members and render them invaluable aid by their riper experience. If it is old enough, it numbers among its alumni men of high rank — senators, statesmen, men of letters, bishops and clergymen of the church, — men who are the acknowledged leaders of thought and morality and who, for the most part, take a lively interest in its welfare.

In selecting its men it is imperative that it should choose only the best, for its vitality depends on the standing of its members. Give a dog a bad name and you hang him; give a fraternity a bad name and you put an end to its career of usefulness. It must choose only the best and steadily refuse all who have any bad qualities such as would lower the social status of the chapter. For this reason morality of life is an essential requisite to membership in the generality of fraternities, especially in the best ones. Immorality, looseness, profanity, intemperance, all the graver vices have a lowering tendency wherever they are

found, and, though they cannot be absolutely prohibited, are steadily discouraged. These are all vices to which young men are peculiarly liable, and nowhere so much so as in college.

Again, all idleness or disposition thereto is discouraged. This is also imperatively necessary to the vitality of the fraternity, for its status depends likewise on the literary ability and standing of its members. Examinations must be past, diplomas must be taken, medals must be won, honors must be merited both in the school and the literary society, or the member will be a drag on the chapter; and since, when the drag has once been taken in, it is hard to cast it out again, great care is necessary to avoid it in the first instance. Thus literary ability is a requisite to membership in the fraternity and is encouraged and developed in it.

Again, the fraternity man, by the constant practice thus imposed upon him of selecting men for members of his fraternity, learns how to select suitable companions for himself in after years. He is taught to select men for their general merit, to discriminate between the genuine good qualities and the meretricious false ones. He acquires the invaluable habit of judging human nature and of being guided in his relations with others by his knowledge of it.

It has been objected that his membership in a fraternity is not followed up by any substantial benefit in after life. Precisely so; nor is it intended to be. The benefit which a fraternity renders is, of necessity, for the most part, confined to school life; yet the benefit which is conferred there is so great that it is felt all through life, in the direction and regulated training which it gives to the faculties. Friendships formed at college are often life-long—if they are good, their influence is for the better; if they are bad, for the worse. How important, then, that the formation of good ones may be in a measure ensured.

But here we are confronted by the fact that all fraternities do not come up to the standard here presented. It is, alas! too true that some have not adhered to the line which is obviously to their best interest; not, perhaps, an entire fraternity, but certainly individual chapters. Still this is nothing but the fatal-

ity which accompanies all earthly things. All the disciples of Socrates could not be like Plato, but an Alcibiades must figure conspicuously among them. Nay, there was a Judas even among the chosen apostles. Perfection, though it must always be sought, can never be found this side of the grave. But these cases are the exception and not the rule. Fraternities have characters as well as men. There is as much diversity among a given number of fraternities as among the same number of individuals, and the great majority adhere in substance to the rules here laid down.

GEO. L. CROCKET, B Θ '83.

DELTA TAU DELTA IN LITERATURE.

DEVOTED TO REVIEWS AND NOTICES OF THE WORKS OF MEMBERS OF
DELTA TAU DELTA.

"CHARTS OF RELATIVE STORM FREQUENCY FOR A PORTION OF THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE," by John P. Finley (Iota '73), Lieutenant Signal Service, United States Army, Washington, D. C., 1884. These charts constitute No. XIV. of the *Professional Papers of the Signal Service* and show approximately the relative frequency of storms in various portions of the North Atlantic, North America and Europe. Twelve of these maps make the comparison by months, while a thirteenth chart sums up the others in one. The differences in frequency are represented by various shades of color on the same map. The word "storm" is here used to mean any one of those well-defined, broad areas of low atmospheric pressure, which, in something like a procession, are frequently traversing these northern latitudes, starting in western North America and crossing the ocean and sometimes extending into Europe. These barometric depressions are not always energetic enough to produce much wind or rain, if any, but as they are essential factors in all of the wind and rain in the region over which they pass, the data thus graphically represented in charts are interesting and valuable both to mariners and landsmen who study the weather scientifically. Lieut. Finley neither discusses the theories nor causes of storms, nor draws any deductions from his record, but the relative frequency and generally eastward track of storms are made obvious at once. The annual chart shows the excessive storminess of the belt of country from the Upper Mississippi across the lower lakes to

Maine, no other part of the area studied having so great a storm frequency. From this peculiarity in the atmospheric circulation of our Northern States we can at once understand the excessive variability of our climate, for the front of every storm has a higher temperature than the rear, and, in consequence of the rapid passage of the storm center from the dryer interior toward the moister coast and ocean, we are visited, especially in winter, by sudden changes from mild to freezing weather. Europe, in the same latitude, is much less variable in this respect and the contrast between the Mediterranean and our lower lakes is very strongly marked, especially in winter.

This is the most elaborate memoir upon the subject which has yet appeared and is a most valuable contribution to meteorological science. The work reflects great credit upon Lieut. Finley and goes far to confirm the authoritative position in this department of science which the author's previous works upon the subject, reviewed from time to time in the *Crescent*, have made for him. The entire edition was exhausted within two weeks, but the demand from all parts of the country is still so great, and the value of the work, especially to shipmasters, so important, that as soon as the consent of Congress can be obtained a second edition will probably be published.

"FROM THE MONUMENT," by Will Carleton (Kappa '69), *Harper's Weekly*, February 21st, 1885, illustrated by Thomas Nast. A timely poem written on the eve of the dedication of the Washington Monument.

"INTROSPECTIVE INSANITY," by Allan McLane Hamilton, M. D. (Kappa Prime '67), New York. Reprinted from the *American Journal of the Medical Sciences*, January, 1885. Pamphlet.

This is the title which Dr. Hamilton uses for what the French call *Folie du doute*, and the Germans *Gruebelsucht*, rather than burden the mind with a Greek term derived from the lexicon. It means the condition of mind manifested by a morbid feeling of doubt and consequent indecision under the most ordinary circumstances, when both the doubt and indecision are unreasonable in the extreme, but when under the mandate

of an imperative conception the individual yields more or less to his disordered emotions. Dr. Hamilton, in this paper, instances several remarkable cases of this kind, varying from persons who are called "queer" to absolute lunatics with suicidal impulses. Dr. Hamilton is now one of the recognized authorities in this department of medical science.

"TAKING IN THE HAMMOCK," by James N. Matthews, M. D. (Upsilon Prime '72). A poem in the *Current*, February 7th, 1885.

"A SEMI-CENTENNIAL SERMON," by Rev. Fernandez C. Holliday, D. D. (Beta Beta '76), delivered before the south-east Indiana conference of the M. E. church, by appointment of that body, at its session in Seymour, Ind., September 17th, 1884, and published by request of the conference. Madison, Ind., 1884. Pamphlet.

In this sermon Dr. Holliday, one of the oldest clergymen in the Methodist church of Indiana, and senior trustee of DePauw University, traces the history and wonderful growth of Methodism in that state during the past fifty years, the period of his active connection with the ministry of that church; recites the history of its educational institutions, contains personal reminiscences of the early leaders of Methodism in Indiana, and recites the interesting history of his own honored ministry. He strongly defends the system of itinerancy peculiar to the Methodist church and attributes to it most of the success with which that denomination has met.

"TWENTY CENTS A DAY;" a poem by Will Carleton (Kappa '69). *Harper's Weekly*, February 28th, 1885; illustrated by F. S. Church. A timely and pathetic appeal for sympathy with the sewing-girls.

"IRREGULARITY IN RAILROAD BUILDING A CHIEF CAUSE OF RECENT BUSINESS DEPRESSIONS," by William Kent (Rho '76). A paper read before the section of economic science and statistics of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Philadelphia, September, 1884. Reprinted from the transactions.

"TABLES OF AREAS FOR CHIMNEYS" and "TABLES TO FACILITATE CALCULATIONS IN TESTS OF STEAM BOILERS," by William Kent (Rho '76). Two papers read before the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, New York, November, 1884, and reprinted in various journals from the transactions.

"OBSERVATIONS IN ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVEN ABDOMINAL SECTIONS," by Rhodes S. Sutton, M. D. (Gamma '62). *The Medical News*, Philadelphia, November 1st, 1884. A paper read before the annual meeting of the American Academy of Medicine, Baltimore, October, 1884.

"A VALENTINE," a poem, by James N. Matthews, M. D. (Upsilon Prime '72). *The Current*, February 14th, 1885.

"TYPES OF INSANITY: AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE IN THE PHYSICAL DIAGNOSIS OF THE MENTAL DISEASE," by Allan McLane Hamilton, M. D. (Kappa Prime '67). New York: William Wood & Co. 1883. 4to, 36 pp.

In this, his latest work, Dr. Hamilton, whose connection, as one of the consulting physicians of the various insane asylums of New York City has given him abundant material for observation, presents a few of the standard phases which insanity assumes. He discusses the general appearance, physiognomy and postures of the insane, the condition of their special organs and bodily functions, gives general instructions for the examination of persons suspected of insanity, and gives abstracts of the laws of the various states governing the commitment of the insane. The ten plates which illustrate the work were drawn from instantaneous photographs and are very graphic, and were selected as typical from many hundreds of patients. They show instances of idiocy, imbecility, melancholia, subacute mania, chronic mania, dementia and general paresis.

EDITORIAL.

IT IS WITH much pleasure that we present to our readers an article from the pen of Bro. J. N. Study — "The College Man as a Political Leader." The carefully prepared statistics and their deductions should receive the earnest perusal of every college and fraternity man, not only as a graduate of these orders but as an American citizen solicitous for the welfare of his country.

OUR Ann Arbor correspondent, whose chapter was appointed to make arrangements for our next Convention at Detroit, suggests that the matter be broached to the Fraternity at once. We can not begin too early to make preparations to send delegates to our Convention and plan to be there ourselves. Detroit is one of the most beautiful of the lake cities, accessible by boat and railroad, and we can think of no better or more profitable summer trip than to our XXVII. annual Convention. Interested members of one of our best chapters are planning for a representation of twenty-five.

WE PRESENT to our readers in this issue the first semi-annual report of the Fraternity, compiled by the general secretary, which shows all the chapters in good condition, with one or two exceptions. A comparison with the report of January 1st, 1884, exhibits an active membership this year of 336 against 359 a year ago. Preparatory students, January, 1884, nineteen; January, 1885, twenty-five. The distribution among the classes and divisions remains the same. It is quite a coincidence that the membership of the first division is the same as a year ago —

eighty. The average age has increased slightly, being now 20.8. It is worthy of notice that the class of '85 numbers eighty-seven men, which is exactly the number of men initiated this year. With the additional initiates from now until the close of the college year, the active membership will be increased. However, the limited membership imposed upon some of the chapters and the prohibitory law in regard to preparatory students will tend to keep the number near its present limit. These same laws account for the diminution in the number of active members this year as compared with the report of 1884.

WE TAKE great pleasure in announcing the final consummation of the scheme of organizing an alumni chapter of the Fraternity in the city of New York, briefly noticed elsewhere in connection with the proceedings of the first division conference, on February 23d. In order to get into working order at once a permanent organization has been effected, pending the action of the council and the Fraternity upon its application for a charter, which no doubt will be granted promptly. The chapter starts out with a roll of eighteen members, several of whom are among the oldest alumni of the Fraternity, others prominent in its councils and all alumni of several years' standing. Among those whose names we thus find enrolled are Prof. John L. N. Hunt, *θ* '62, one of the founders of the Fraternity; John Henry Miller, *Δ* '65, of the Bankers' and Merchants' Telegraph Co.; William W. VanVoorhis, *K* '67, treasurer and general manager of the Manhattan Iron Works Co.; Will Carleton, *K* '69, so well known throughout the land; Almon H. Roudebush, *A* '70; Rev. Lathan A. Crandall, *K* '73, Pastor of the East Twenty-third street Baptist church; Dr. Ruel S. Gage, *N* '71; Hudson H. Hearn, *A* '72; Prof. James E. Denton, *P* '75, of the Stevens Institute of Technology; William Kent, *P* '76; J. P. White, *Π* '76, of the publishing firm of White, Stokes and Allen; A. P. Trautwein, *P* '76, historian of the Fraternity; Charles Bull, *Π* '76; F. E. Idell, *P* '77; Henry T. Bruck, *P* '78, president of the executive council of the Fraternity; William W. Cook, *Δ*

'80, president of the next general Convention; L. J. Bruck, P '78, and H. S. Pope, P '80.

We shall watch with no small degree of interest the progress of this chapter. There is, perhaps, no city in the country in which the professional and business man finds so much to distract his attention in the way of social and business engagements than in New York, that it will require careful management in order to give the chapter a well-defined *raison d'être* which would form the basis for its success. If the experiment prove successful, and we sincerely hope that it will, we shall see a precedent established which will induce the alumni of other large cities to combine for similar purposes. From the character of the names on the list of the new chapter we feel certain that nothing will be left undone to ensure the success of the undertaking. We hope that this is the beginning of a policy in our Fraternity already carried on with some success by several of the older fraternities, who are using every effort to strengthen the bonds of the alumni and the fraternity. Now that the management of the affairs of Delta Tau Delta, as in many of the older fraternities, is rapidly drifting into the hands of the graduate members, the presence of alumni chapters which could maintain intimate advisory relations with the Executive Council, assist in formulating its policy and co-operate with the active chapters, is very much to be desired.

THE EXPENSES connected with the administration of the Fraternity's affairs have increased of late years out of all proportion to its growth and permanent development, as a cursory analysis of the reports of the general treasurer and of the books of individual chapters would instantly show. The feeling is rapidly gaining ground that some retrenchment should be made in our domestic economy, and we see plans to that effect being devised in widely separated sections of the Fraternity. The expenses of our annual Conventions is the item which consumes, perhaps, the largest proportion of the general fund. With the growth of the Fraternity and the enlargement of its territory it

becomes necessary to hold the conventions no longer year after year in one of the two states of Ohio and Pennsylvania, but to change the location within a much wider range of states. The expense of sending delegates to these conventions is a severe tax upon many of the chapters, especially those with a small membership and those located at great distances from the place of meeting; and when we add to those the necessary expenses of the Convention itself—the rent of rooms, printing of invitations, programmes, &c., postage, music and the numerous items of expense which usage and precedent in the course of time have gradually fastened upon the Convention account, we have a constantly growing and already large source of expense, which, though paid from the general fund, is, nevertheless, met by a *pro rata* assessment upon the chapters.

Several movements are now on foot to regulate by legislative enactment at the next Convention the entire subject of convention expenses. The fourth division is agitating a scheme for ensuring the representation of even the most distant chapters by distributing the total amount of traveling expenses of delegates among the several chapters upon some fair, equitable and acceptable basis. We have not yet learned the details of the scheme, but expect that in its general features it will resemble the system practised with so much success by many of the large religious bodies which create a mileage fund by means of a *pro rata* assessment upon their members, from which the necessary traveling expenses of the convention delegates are paid. There can be no doubt as to the advantage, and, indeed, the necessity of having all of our chapters represented in convention, if the latter really fulfill the purposes for which they are designed. This plan would certainly ensure a more general representation at our Convention and cannot fail to react to the advantage of the Fraternity. That some plan must be devised to afford the necessary relief there can be no doubt, and the sooner it is done the better.

The first division at its recent conference drew attention to the enormous expense entailed upon the convention account by

the practice, not sanctioned, we believe, by law, yet authorized by precedent and custom, of paying the traveling expenses of the Convention and general Fraternity officers. The idea is fast gaining ground that the expenses should be borne by the individual and not by the Fraternity. In our earlier days, when the membership was small, it might have been necessary to offer such inducement to draw our officers to the Convention. Now, however, the condition of things has largely changed and the honor of presiding over the deliberations of the Fraternity and of conducting its affairs should in itself be sufficient to induce members to go to the personal sacrifice of time and money. At present those officers are selected too much at random. Henceforth it would be well to decide first upon the location of the Convention and then to select officers from the section of the country most convenient to the place of meeting. We understand that a law bearing upon the subject of these expenses has been drafted and a committee appointed to present the same at the Detroit Convention. If carried into effect it will leave the Fraternity a large fund for purposes of internal improvement and extension. We invite discussion of these questions in the CRESCENT.

THE GREEK PRESS.

The Phi Delta Theta *Scroll* for February is a well-balanced number, presenting thoughtful and timely articles on "The Fraternity Journal — What should it be?" "Lifting," and similar subjects vital to the interests of fraternities in general. Ten pages are devoted to an interesting review of Mr. Jacobs' noble history. "The Psi Upsilon Epitome," which work, by the way, is apt to set a standard of excellence in fraternity historical research as elevated as that established by Psi Upsilon in catalogue work. Chapter reports, numerous if not uniformly excellent, continue to be a specialty of the *Scroll*. Each chapter, in this number, presents a table of the numerical strength of the fraternities it meets. In the interests of accuracy we must deny the statement that Delta Tau Delta supports a chapter of nineteen men at Indiana State University and one of ten men at Wabash.

"The History of Omega Chapter" of Sigma Chi at Northwestern University is reviewed in the last issue of the *Sigma Chi*. Chapter VII. of the history narrates the efforts to establish a chapter of Psi Upsilon at the University. The movement began in 1872 when the chapter of Phi Gamma Delta renounced their allegiance and returned their charter with the significant note that they "had found a better fraternity and had no further use of the friendship or fraternal association of the Phi Gamma Deltas." Then they petitioned Psi Upsilon, said petition being promptly rejected. This put a quietus to the matter for the time being. In 1875, under the inspiration of C. H. Fowler, D. D., the then president of the institution, the movement was revived, certain Psi Upsilon professors being intimately connected with the scheme. An expensive catalogue was issued, banquets given,

newspapers subsidized, in fact a regular campaign was entered upon and no card left misplayed which might in any way contribute to success. The members of the Sigma Chi chapter were to form the nucleus of the anticipated organization, and they, yielding to the dazzling temptations, consented to join Psi Upsilon in a body. A select committee of Psi Upsilon traveled from New York, were wine and dined in a sumptuous, princely way, well befitting their character and dignity. Having surveyed the field they expressed their satisfaction with the condition of affairs and were satisfied that Northwestern and the men chosen were good enough for the patrician standard of Psi Upsilon. In due time the petition was presented. All the chapters eventually voted aye, except the Iota at Kenyon, which stubbornly refused to hearken to the voice of reason or persuasion and persistently cast her ballot in the negative. Of course this was galling to the wounded feelings of the indignant would-be Psi Upsilon. It was some time before they could "talk of the affair in a simple, philosophical manner and look at it in a proper light." The feelings of the Sigma Chis concerned in the scheme were "mildly lacerated," as the historian naively puts it. A reaction took place, followed inevitably by increased interests in Sigma Chi, and "it seemed better adapted to the wants of the chapter than ever before." Having fortunately retained their charter, it was unnecessary for the bolters to formally reassume their fealty to Sigma Chi. The historian fails to relate what effect their recreancy had upon the other chapters of Sigma Chi. That would be quite interesting reading. It seems somewhat strange that any self-respecting fraternity could tamely permit the return of one of its chapters which had, though after strenuous efforts, failed in committing what the historian calls "moral perjury," by joining another fraternity. This chapter of Sigma Chi history is well worth perusal, showing as it does how strong, intellectual and conscientious men can be dazzled and led astray, even to breaking a solemn oath, by the blandishments and temptations of wealth, luxurious surroundings and social standing.

The February number of the Alpha Delta Phi *Star and*

Crescent contains short articles on the new convention and an Amherst reunion. Clippings from other journals, chapter letters and alumni news complete this number.

The *Beta Theta Pi* for March contains an article upon "Our Extension Policy," from the pen of Wm. R. Baird, in which he favors entering every good college and University where there is reasonable hope of sustaining strong chapters. He thinks the matter of extension not difficult of treatment, but a matter of common sense. There is no danger in too rapid extension, yet there is no need to establish chapters at the rate of more than one or two a year. The editorial department of this issue is entirely taken up with a dialogue between two members of the order upon the relative worth and standing of their society, in which more frankness is displayed than we ever gave *Beta Theta Pi* credit for. The chapter letters are better than usual.

GREEK WORLD.

An alumni chapter of $\Delta \Gamma$ has been established in Cleveland, Ohio.

$K K \Gamma$ has new chapters at Syracuse and Nebraska Universities.

Col. William F. Villas, the new Post-master General, is a $\Phi \Delta \theta$.

$\Phi K \Psi$ is making a vigorous attempt to found a chapter at Iowa State University.

Four of the seven editors of the *Pleiad*, published at Albion college, are Delta Taus.

Col. Lucius Q. C. Lamar, Secretary of the Interior, is an honorary member of $\Sigma A E$.

It is rumored that $\Delta \Gamma$ and $K A \theta$ have entered the University of Kansas.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

$\Phi K \Psi$ at Wooster University has but four men. The *Sigma Chi* says they will give up their charter this spring.

The Hon. William Henry Rawle, of Philadelphia, is to deliver the annual $\Phi B K$ oration at Harvard next June.

The $\Sigma \Phi$ fraternity held their annual convention at Shennectady, N. Y., March 4th. A large representation of delegates was present.

$A \Delta \Phi$ at Kenyon has recently initiated two Chinese students with the following remarkable names: Points S. C. Yen and John C. C. Woo.

Our Fraternity represented Iowa in the inter-state oratorical contests of 1882, 1883 and 1884 and will represent the state again in 1885.

The Beta Beta chapter of $\Psi \Gamma$ expect to have their new

chapter house finished in time for their next convention, which meets in New York.

There are ninety-seven fraternity men at the University of Rochester, divided among the following societies: $\Delta \Delta \Phi$, $\Delta \Psi$, $\Delta \Upsilon$, $\Delta K E$, $\Psi \Upsilon$ and $X \Psi$.

The $K \Delta \theta$ convention will be held March 26th and 27th, 1885, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, under the auspices of the Eta chapter of the University of Michigan.

Alpha Delta Phi, Sigma Phi, Chi Psi and Psi Upsilon have chapter houses at Hamilton and it is rumored that D. K. E. has purchased a house known as the Spencer place.

In the oratorical contest which took place at Butler University, March 24th, Mr. Kautz represented the $\Phi \Delta \theta$ fraternity, Mr. Brown the ΣX and Mr. Hall the "barbs."

A committee from the trustees of Union college has been appointed to consider the practicability of granting fraternities plots of ground on which to erect chapter houses.

The ΣX at Iowa State University, having been unfortunate in receiving their men, are about to give up their charter. They have already sold the furniture of their chapter hall.

For two years in succession Alpha Delta Phi has furnished the unsuccessful candidate for Speaker of the New York Assembly—Theodore Roosevelt in 1884 and Walter Sage Hubbell in 1885.

On account of a hostile faculty and the poor standing of Howard college, Marion, Ala., ΣX has revoked the charter of its chapter there. All persons initiated previous to February 1st, 1885, are declared members in full standing.

The fifty-third annual convention of Alpha Delta Phi will be held with Ann Arbor chapter about the middle of May. The banquet will be held at Detroit as there is no caterer in Ann Arbor equal to the occasion. Literary exercises, an excursion and a reception at the chapter house will be prominent features of the meeting.

The officers of the Inter-State Oratorical association, which holds its next contest at Columbus, Ohio, May 7th, 1885, are :

President, John H. Wiggam, ΣX , of Hanover college; vice-president, Charles V. Pleukharp, $B \theta II$, of the Ohio State University; secretary and treasurer, Charles H. Pomeroy, $\Delta T \Delta$, of the University of Iowa.

The Chi Psi alumni of New York held their annual dinner on February 17th, at the Hotel Brunswick. About forty members were present. Officers elected for the year: President, Elbridge T. Gerry; vice-presidents, Hugh L. Cole, D. H. Cochran and Frank Garretson; treasurer, Frederic D. Tappen; secretary, S. P. Blagden; chairman of the executive committee, E. A. Dike.

The annual winter reception of the Manhattan chapter of Alpha Delta Phi was held at the home of James W. Lane, New York, of the class of '84. There were about two hundred guests present, among them being the students of the college of the City of New York, who are in process of "cultivation" for membership in the chapter. W. M. K. Olcott presided and responses to toasts were made by representatives of Hamilton, Columbia, Yale, Amherst, Brown, Harvard, Dartmouth, Rochester, Williams, Middletown, Union, Cornell and Phi Kappa (Trinity) chapters.

Psi Upsilon at Lehigh is being extensively advertised by the distribution of a little pamphlet. The writer crushes (in her own estimation) Psi U. in general and the Eta chapter in particular, using some rather strong expressions in so doing, and ends up with some very personal remarks which have very little or nothing to do with either the fraternity, chapter or members thereof. The author is the mother of a former student who flunked in a senior examination under a Psi Upsilon professor, thus being prevented from receiving a diploma. It is a rather unique way of taking revenge, and has brought forth numerous uncomplimentary remarks towards the writer from fraternity circles.

There are 72 fraternity men at the University of Texas, 254 at Dartmouth college, 80 at University of Vermont, 84 at Union college, 98 at Lafayette college, 58 at Pennsylvania college, 54 at Washington and Jefferson, 50 at Allegheny college, 60 at Dickinson college, 46 at Roanoke college, 62 at South Carolina

college, 73 at Mercer University, 77 at University of Mississippi, 20 at Ohio University, 55 at Ohio State University, 47 at Center college, 65 at Indiana University, 58 at Wabash college, 63 at Hanover college, 127 at DePauw, 35 at Hillsdale college, 41 at Illinois Wesleyan, 25 at Westminster college, 72 at University of Kansas, 19 at University of Nebraska, 48 at Iowa State University.

There are in attendance at Delaware, in the college classes, about 170 gentlemen students. The fraternity men are distributed as follows :

	SENIOR.	JUNIOR.	SOPHOMORE.	FRESHMEN.	TOT.
$\Phi K \Psi$	5	6	3	4	18
$\Delta T \Delta$	6	3	2	4	15
$\Phi \Gamma \Delta$	4	5	2	2	13
$B \theta \Pi$	2	4	2	3	11
$\Phi \Delta \theta$	2	2	3	3	10
$X \Phi$	1	0	2	2	5

About ten of the remaining hundred are anti-fraternity men from principle ; the rest are non-fraternity men. With their proportionment of men the fraternities are all seemingly in good condition.

Readers who delight in statistics may find some pleasure in perusing the following unofficial table from Lehigh University :

CLASS.	NO. MEN IN SAME.	NO. FRAT. MEN.	PER CENT. OF SAME.
5th Year Men	5	4	80
'85	17	5	29.4
'86	45	21	46.7
'87	71	26	36.6
'88	121	23	19
Unclassified	14	4	28.5
	<hr/> 273	<hr/> 83	<hr/> 30.4

Of the 83 fraternity men, Psi Upsilon contributes 22 ; Chi Phi, 17 ; Delta Phi, 10 ; Delta Tau Delta, 10 ; Alpha Tau Omega, 8 ; Theta Delta Chi, 6 ; Phi Kappa Sigma, 3 ; fraternities not represented by chapters (including Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Phi Kappa Psi), 7.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

ALPHA—ALLEGHENY.

The annual "pow-wow" and banquet of this chapter, took place on the evening of the 28th of February, and was a great success in every point except, perhaps, in the unusually small attendance of our alumni. After the usual "pipe of peace," and the bountiful feast, speeches were in order from the alumni present, and the actives, and all concluded with the "walk around," and the Choctaw song. On this occasion we were able to introduce to the Fraternity, Bro. E. T. Lashells, whom we initiated the preceeding meeting. "Teddy" is one of the most popular young men residing in the city.

After, and in fact during our meetings we are frequently visited by our "fraters in urbe." Richmond says, "boys not so much noise." Flood, Best, Nodine and Powers, come professedly to visit us, but the appearance of the apple bag tells of another attraction. But apples are plenty, and alumni heartily welcome.

Bro. Fulton was taken with the typhoid fever a few days ago, and was only able to reach home. We miss him much and hope for his speedy recovery.

Bros. Lamey and Jameson were in the city a few days, visiting old scenes once more.

TAU—FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

The second term of Franklin and Marshall, began on Jan. 8th, with the freshman class materially enlarged. None of the new arrivals however, are up to the Delta standard.

It affords us much pleasure to announce the initiation of our third freshman, William R Harnish, of Alexandria, Pa.

In the senior elections for class-day exercises, Bro. Levan was elected "prophet." Bro. Sensenig was elected "mantle orator," by the junior class.

MU—OHIO WESLEYAN.

Saturday evening, Feb. 28th, the fraternities of the Ohio Wesleyan, held their annual Pan-Hellenic banquet. After the menu, the following programme was observed: "The O. W. U.," J. A. Arnold, $\Delta T \Delta$; "The Fraternities," H. N. Edgington, $\Phi X \Phi$; Music; "The Ladies," F. M. Maley, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$; "The Pan-Hellenic Spirit," E. J. Klock, $\Phi K \Psi$; Music; "College and Fraternity Men in Active Life," F. P. Irvin, $B \theta \Pi$; "College and Fraternal Associations," R. T. M. McCready, $\Phi \Delta \theta$; Music.

These meetings are for the purpose of promoting friendly fraternal relations and doubtless are productive of good.

If any Delta has a copy of *The CRESCENT*, Vol. VII, No 1., which he will sell, I shall be pleased to receive his address.

The readers of the *CRESCENT*, doubtless noticed in the last number, the extract from the editorial in the *Shield*. When an editor has boldness enough to come out with an editorial in which he says, " * * * but we can say, with no fear of being successfully contradicted, that Phi Kappa Psi is to-day in the rear, as far as the questions which have agitated other fraternities are concerned," it is surely indicative of revolution. Confusion and disaster must follow any order, in which progress is not rapidly made. The question arises, whether the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity is keeping pace with the advancing standard of the times. In some respect we must confess no. If it were so, the first good result to be noticed would be an increasing interest among the alumni for their chapters and the Fraternity at large. All know how soon the average fraternity man after he leaves school, loses the accustomed interest, and forgets the pass words, knocking, and even the grips. No one will deny that every man owes back to the Fraternity, what he has received from it. A contributor to the *CRESCENT* said, "the fewer and simpler its secrets, the safer is any organization." How does he come to his con-

clusion? Surely the more secrecy there is in the mystic bond, the greater will be the sympathy between the alumni and chapter, and among the active members; the more thoroughness there is in the unwritten law, the stronger the order. Some would muzzle the CRESCENT, and perhaps vote to make the constitution public. Many already see the evil effects of the last act. It may do for the Masonic order, or some other order, with its twenty or thirty degrees and regular examination, to make the constitution public, but experience teaches that it will not do for a Greek letter society not having a great number of higher degrees to do so. And so we conclude there is not enough secrecy in the general Fraternity; not enough progressive development to bind the brotherhood strongly together, and to cause the alumni to keep a proper interest in the order. If any brother think this is not true, let us hear from him, for Mu desires some method which can be pursued to arouse her alumni. Again, questions worthy of discussion are, What should constitute the contents of a fraternity journal? Is there any advantage in publishing it monthly? What should be the style of chapter letters? I have nothing to say against the present management of the CRESCENT. The paper compares very favorably with those published under similar circumstances. But can an editor, for the small sum at present allowed, afford to put enough time on a monthly paper, to give to the fraternity world a paper second to none of its kind in the land? Most assuredly he cannot. It is time for us to learn that our editor should be a salaried man. We see also that a number of our strong fraternities, publish their papers bi-monthly or quarterly, and the good effects can be seen in the papers themselves. Fraternity news at college often is very scarce. To give every month the condition of rivals, and the progress of the chapter, with the names of those who have become president of a literary society, or members of some special committee, sometimes grows monotonous. To be sure, in some schools it is quite an item to become "Grand Mogul" of a literary society, but such news has little interest for the Greek world. Can we not have discussions on these old questions once more?

I desire to correct a mistake made in a late issue of the CRES-CENT. Bro. Dimmick remains this year at Christie Chapel, Cincinnati, and Bro. Beiler has been transferred to Hartford, Conn.

SIGMA—COLUMBIA.

Since my last letter we have taken in two men, Bros. Belcher and Hardy, both of the law school. We have several good men in view and hope to secure some of them.

College has commenced to liven up a bit. The crews have commenced work and the inter-collegiate team is in severe training. Everything points to a successful season for Columbia on land and water.

The American Institute of Mining Engineers met last week in the college lecture hall. We had the pleasure of meeting several Deltas among them.

Bro. Rickendorfer is training hard and will probably represent the chapter this year as he stands a good chance of being on his class crew.

Our eyes are now fixed on '89, in which we will begin for the first time rushing men on a par with the other societies. We don't promise anything now, but think we are going to give the other societies a surprise in that class.

The Delta pin is known now around the city and the society is talked about and getting social recognition.

We acknowledge the receipt of the *Reserve*, *Epsilon Star* and *Rho Chronicle*.

PSI—WOOSTER.

At the recent state oratorical contest Wooster achieved another victory. Mr. A. G. Greenlee was our representative. When the news was received at school the next morning cheer after cheer filled the halls. On the evening of his return he was met at the depot and escorted to the University, and as the procession approached, the battery of the battalion thundered and flashed in honor of the triumph. Dr. Scovel, Hon. John McSweeney, Dr. Black, Dr. Kirkwood and others made speeches, and the evening

was full of jollification. Mr. Greenlee is a Phi Delt. His fraternity celebrated the victory last Friday evening by giving him a banquet at one of the finest private residences in the city, which, from all reports, was a very fine affair. Visitors were here from Cleveland, Akron and Mansfield.

Both Phi Psis and Sigma Chis are without halls at this time—the Phi Psis on account of fewness of members and the Sigs on account of their recent fire.

It was rumored that a new chapter of Chi Phi would soon be established here.

Bro. J. C. Sharpe, of '83, professor of elocution in Allegheny Seminary, spent several days in the city not long since.

The time for holding the second division conference has been fixed for the 9th and 10th of April and all Delta Taus can consider themselves invited. We anticipate a good and profitable time.

ZETA—ADELBERT.

We are glad to announce our numbers have been increased by one, so we are now again five. With pleasure we introduce to the Fraternity our infant member, Frank H. Brew, '88, of Cleveland. He was ushered into the mysteries of the Frat. some few weeks ago with a very impressive ceremony, at which most all our alumni were present.

On the evening of February 23d we were favored with the presence of Bro. Will Carleton, who lectured here in the city on that evening. After the lecture some twenty of the members of our alumni chapter and of the boys of Zeta assembled at the hotel where he was stopping, to pay our respects in the way of a fraternal welcome. We soon adjourned to the parlors of the Stillman, where a spread was served and a most enjoyable hour spent. We found Bro. Carleton the same royal Delta as ever and all would most gladly repeat their welcome on his next visit to the city.

Our annual, the *Reserve*, is out and copies have been sent to most of our chapters.

The juniors are all busy now over their Demosthenian productions, which will be inflicted on the public at junior exhibition on March 31st. Our spring recess of one week then follows.

DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The goat has again had the pleasure of doing its duty to Hannibal G. Coburn, '88, of Howard City, Mich. He is president of the freshman class.

Several of our alumni have visited us: W. Baldwin and J. L. Collard, '84, and S. B. Waite, '80, now of Menominee, Mich. And we may add that Bro. Waite reports another addition to his family.

The *Palladium*, of which A. G. Pitts, '85, is managing editor, will soon be out and will be sent to any of the chapters that wish to exchange annuals with us. The numbers of the other fraternities, according to the *Palladium*, is as follows: Chi Psi, 15; Alpha Delta Phi, 20; Sigma Chi, 8; Zeta Psi, 9; Psi Upsilon, 30; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 20; Beta Theta Pi, 26; Phi Kappa Psi, 20.

As an item of interest to some it may be said that the University is to receive, at the death of the celebrated sculptor, Randolph Rogers, the entire casts of all his statues, the original copies of his portrait busts and ideal works, and the entire contents of his studio at Rome. The collection comprises over one hundred pieces in plaster and marble. And it has already received from C. H. Buhl, of Detroit, over 5000 volumes of law books. This is quite an addition to the law library, there being among them many rare and valuable books.

The chapter is taking active measures for making arrangements for the coming Convention of the Fraternity. It wishes to make the Convention a success and hopes that every chapter will be represented by two delegates and as many more members as possible. It seems strange that a division conference should outstrip a convention in the number present. The next Convention ought to have double the number that were present at the last Convention, for, as far as numbers were concerned, it may

be said to have been a failure. Detroit is admirably located and can be reached by water and by all of the northern and central railroads and their connections. This may seem rather too previous for mentioning the matter, but arrangements can not be made too soon. Any suggestions as to the arrangements will be gratefully received.

We acknowledge the receipt of the *Rho Chronicle*. It is a very newsy little paper and ought to keep its alumni thoroughly interested in the chapters. We read it with pleasure.

PHI—HANOVER.

Nothing of note has transpired in fraternity circles here in the past month. Our five Greek families are dwelling together in the most perfect harmony. We appreciate the cordial feeling displayed here this year and will ourselves continue in the same spirit as long as we are permitted to do so.

The senior excursion to New Orleans takes away three of us.

Bro. Harrison was one of the two representatives of the Union literary society on the joint exhibition given by the three societies on Washington's birthday.

EPSILON—ALBION.

Prof. H. A. Mills, who severed his connection with the art department of this institution in December, has been pursuing studies under reputable instructors in New York City. Bro. Mills was one of the lucky thirty-five, out of two hundred applicants, who gained admission to the National Academy of Design.

Epsilon is represented on the junior exhibition programme by C. H. Gordan and E. F. Abernethy.

In all probability Epsilon will soon have rivals. After prayers being directed to many fraternities, the local secret society, known as the 5 S. Cs., has prevailed upon the Alpha Tau Omega to grant a charter, which will be accepted unless something unforeseen suddenly arrives to prevent.

Our infant is Z. B. Sutton, '88 — fully qualified.

IOTA—MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL.

The spring term of college opens Feb. 25th, with everything pointing to a prosperous college year. We have five actives in the field and another expected daily.

Bro. Bartiness is at New Orleans, but will return soon. This leaves us only one less than last fall, and that one will return in time to graduate.

Our first meeting was a glorious reunion. We all enjoyed exchanging experiences of the winter.

The new class has brought in some good men, of whom a few look as though they would make good Deltas.

We still cry for material on the "Song Book." Let every S. A. make it his duty, to see that his chapter is represented in her best songs and poems. It will be too late to complain after the book is made.

BETA BETA—DE PAUW.

As the end of the second term is drawing near, Beta Beta feels that she has done well not only in the matter of initiations, but also in her internal workings. Indeed it is astonishing to find our chapter in such a flourishing condition, being as young as it is. It is still more pleasing to know that there is a bright future before us.

Seemingly there has been some discouraging talk concerning our third division conference—that it conflicts with the general Convention, that the expense is entirely too great to attend both Convention and conference. If this is a fact, the conference should be dispensed with in the future, but by all means not this year. The fact of our meeting at Greencastle, has been widely circulated, and if it does not prove successful, it will be injurious, not only to our chapter, but to others near us. Better means can be secured to insure success among the chapters of this division, than at the Convention. We hope that each chapter will encourage this, that each chapter will be represented, not by one but by several. Such co-operation on the part of the several chapters will be invaluable to Beta Beta.

BETA ZETA—BUTLER.

Beta Zeta is still alive and in good condition. There is no material here to work upon except the preps., consequently we have made no additions lately.

There is a scheme now on foot to buy or rent a chapter house next fall as there are no chapter houses here. The Phis and Sigs are stronger than we are financially, but they have no chapter hall. We will be very thankful if we are successful in our efforts.

OMEGA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE.

The boys of Omega have once more returned to the I. A. C. after the long winter vacation, and have begun the year of '85 with a good membership, and a thorough confidence in the good results which the year's work will bring about.

We open the year with two seniors, five juniors, and two sophs., and hope to introduce two more sophs. to the fraternity world before the end of the month.

Bro. J. C. Hainer made a flying visit to Ann Arbor when returning from Cornell college. He reports chapter Delta as booming.

We regret very much the absence of Bro. McCaull, who was our S. A. last year. He is teaching school at Matrom, Ia., but in three weeks will assume his old position as book-keeper in the Chicago Roofing Material Manufacturing Co.

Bros. Sherwood and Cole, who left last year, "never to return," are with us again. The former is taking special chemistry, the latter civil engineering.

The recent presidential contest, which for the past two years has been working such damaging effects to the college, has at last been amicably settled by the board of trustees, who elected Prof. Leigh Hunt, of Des Moines, president, and Prof. J. L. Budd, vice-president.

Mr. Hunt is a highly educated young man, but has had comparatively little experience in collegiate affairs. He has never taken sides in the affairs in the college, is energetic, and while

inexperienced, we trust will have a successful administration. He has expressed himself as being freindly to the fraternity, and it is through him that we expect to be formally recognized, and thereby secure a hall. To this end Omega has been working for four years, and as we now have the promise of the object of our desire, we feel jubilant.

OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

We are glad to announce to our Bro. Deltas that the home contest resulted in Bro. C. H. Pomeroy taking first honors. In the state contest held at Grinnell, Bro. Pomeroy took first honors, and will represent Iowa in the inter-state, to be held at Columbus, Ohio. This is the fourth year in snccession that Omicron has represented the University in the state contest, and the third year that she has represented Iowa in the inter-state contest.

We enjoyed a social party at our chapter halls a few weeks ago.

The contest for the McClurg prize was held at our halls, Februay 14th, which resulted in the first place being gained by Bro. Pomeroy.

We are glad to learn that Bro. J. T. Chrischilles will be with us next year. He intends taking the law.

The Kappas have furnished their new halls which they took possession of at the beginning of the year, very comfortably. They have as pleasant rooms as any frat could wish.

ALUMNI OF DELTA TAU.

EPSILON—ALBION.

'80 A. A. DeCamp is in business at Chatanooga, Tenn.

'80 Joe Bowers publishes the Hillsboro *Banner*.

'82 C. A. French holds a salaried position on the Grand Rapids *Democrat*.

'83 M. C. Bacon is studying medicine in one of the Detroit medical schools.

'84 M. C. Walker, now teaching at Manistee, is a papa—it's a boy. No silver cup was offered by class '84, unfortunately.

'85 C. C. Langdon graduated last month from the Hanhe-mann Medical college at Chicago. His residence for the present is at Battle Creek.

'85 Bert Hicks, it is understood, is engaged at the Gaylord depot, Mich.

'87 Thomas Cox, accompanied by his amiable lady, made glad the heart of Epsilon by his sunny presence a few days ago. We were pleased to learn that he intends finishing his course as soon as possible.

PHI—HANOVER.

'81 C. E. Brandt, who was a student in the General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal church, New York City, is teacher of Latin and Greek in the Howe grammar school at Lima, Ind.

IOTA—MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL.

'82 L. W. Hoyt is deputy collector U. S. Internal Revenue, 4th district, Michigan.

KAPPA—HILLSDALE.

'74 W. W. Heckman and wife, of Chicago, recently visited Hillsdale friends.

'75 Prof. Haynes, of the college, relieved vacation's monotony by giving the students and friends of the college an entertainment on the wonders of electricity.

'80. There is some talk of reorganizing the famous Hillsdale rowing crew, of which C. W. Terwilliger was captain.

'84 R. F. Mallaby writes from Clay Center, Kan., that he will be with us during commencement in June.

'84 W. A. Bingham, on his way to the Exposition, recently, made us a pleasant call.

'85 J. F. Thompson has been spending his vacation under a physician's care but is now reported convalescent.

'86 Warren Kitchen has gone to Springfield, Ohio, where, we understand, he will emulate the Rothchilds by becoming a wealthy banker.

'86 W. H. Wagner has returned to his home in Upper Sandusky on account of ill health.

'86 C. H. Aldrich is in attendance this year at the Ohio State University, where he has gained an enviable reputation.

William C. Whitney, Secretary of the Navy, is a Psi Upsilon.

INITIATES.

ALPHA.

186. Edward Torbett Lashells, '89, Meadville, Pa., Feb. 21, 1885.

BETA.

144. Emmett William Gabriel, '87, Athens, O., Dec. 6, 1884.
145. William Edward Hamilton, '89, Athens, O., Jan. 10, 1885.

DELTA.

83. Hannibal Greenwood Coburn, jr., '88, Howard City, Mich., Jan. 31, 1885.

ZETA.

9. Francis Oliver Brew, '88, Cleveland, O., Jan. 24, 1885.

KAPPA.

144. Hugh Morton Coldren, '88, Hawpatch, Ind., Jan. 10, 1885.
145. Amos Eugene Russell, Grand Ledge, Mich., Feb. 19, 1885.

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42. John Henry Palmer, '88, Allegheny, Pa., Jan. 24, 1885.

XI.

85. Edwin Pollock Wright, '88, Summerset, Ia., Dec. 13, 1884.

OMICRON.

36. Rufus Bradbury Clark, '88, Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 20, 1884.
37. Charles Edgar Pickett, '88, Waterloo, Ia., Sept. 20, 1884.
38. Egbert Whitlock Hoag, '88, Manchester, Ia., Oct. 4, 1884.

RHO.

67. George Phipps, jr., '88, Englewood, N. J., Feb. 13, 1885.

SIGMA.

26. James Thomas Hardy, '86, Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1885.
27. William Aiken Belcher, '86, Orange, N. J., Feb. 17, 1885.

TAU.

51. William Robb Harnish, '88, Alexandria, Pa., Jan. 12, 1885.

PSI.

36. William Porter Lee, '89, Wooster, O., Sept. 20, 1884.
37. William Houston '89, Urbana, O., Sept. 27, 1884.
38. James Shane Nichols, '89, Ada, O., Oct. 11, 1884.
39. Oscar Perry Culburtson, '89, Nankin, O., Oct. 11, 1884.
40. Jay Colmar Hanna, '88, Savannah, O., Oct. 11, 1884.
41. Jas. Alexander Park, '88, Gannettsburg, Pa., Oct. 18, 1884.

BETA BETA.

53. Worth Ernest Caylor, '90, Greencastle, Ind., Jan. 10, 1885.

BETA EPSILON.

30. William Winston Hayden, '90, Oxford, Ga., Feb. 20, 1885.
31. John Frank Davis, Rockmart, Ga., Feb. 20, 1885.

BETA KAPPA.

9. Frederick Lincoln Chase, '86, Boulder, Col., Feb. 7, 1885.

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Alpha.....	66	19	85	Iota.....	16	5	21
Tau.....	7	5	12	Kappa.....	7	9	16
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Upsilon.....	2	10	12	Zeta.....	2	4	6
Pi.....	5	20	25	Beta Zeta.....	9	3	12
Gamma.....	9	0	9	Lambda.....	7	2	9
Nu.....	3	9	12	Omega.....	1	4	5
Sigma.....	1	0	1	Xi.....	4	21	25
Mu.....	7½	26	33½	Omicron.....	0	4	4
Chi.....	0	5	5	Beta Eta.....	2	0	2
Psi.....	1	6	7	Kappa Prime.....	2	0	2
Beta.....	6	1	7	Upsilon Prime.....	2	0	2
Theta.....	9	8	17	Beta Iota Prime.....	1	0	1
Eta.....	7½	6	13½	Sigma Double Prime.....	6	0	6
Beta Epsilon.....	4	2	6	Beta Alpha Prime.....	2	0	2
Beta Delta.....	2	4	6	Rho Prime.....	1	0	1
Beta Theta.....	0	11	11	Beta Epsilon Prime.....	1	0	1
Delta.....	8	15	23	Delta Prime.....	1	0	1
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Epsilon.....	4	22	26				

JANUARY SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT,

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE Δ T Δ FRATERNITY, JANUARY 10, 1885.

	CHAPTER.	COLLEGE.	MEMBERS.							Average Age.	CONDITION OF CHAPTER.	No. Mem. at Beginning of Yr.	Initiates.	NAMES OF RIVAL FRATERNITIES.
			'85	'86	'87	'88	'89	'90	P'T. GRD.					
1st Division.	Alpha	Allegheny		1	1	4	2		1	9 19½	Excellent.....	7	2	Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Psi.
	Gamma.....	Washington and Jefferson.	1	1	4	1	1			8 19	O. K.....	8	1	Φ Γ Δ, Φ Κ Ψ, Φ Δ Θ, Β Θ Π, Φ Κ Σ.
	Nu.....	Lafayette.....	4	2	1	2				9 21	Good.....	6	3	Δ Κ Ε, Ζ Ψ, Θ Δ Χ, Σ Χ, Φ Κ Ψ, Φ Δ Θ, Χ Φ, Φ Γ Δ.
	Pi.....	Lehigh University.....	1	2	2	5				10 19	Excellent.....	7	4	Χ Φ, Ψ Υ, Δ Φ, Α Τ Ω, Φ Κ Σ, Θ Δ Χ.
	Rho.....	Stevens Institute.....	3	4	3	1				11 19½	Good.....	9	2	Theta Xi, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Chi Psi, Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Phi.
	Sigma.....	Columbia.....	3	6	5	1				15 20	Fair.....	7	7	Α Δ Φ, Δ Ψ, Δ Φ, Ζ Ψ, Δ Κ Ε, Ψ Υ, Β Θ Π, Φ Γ Δ, Θ Δ Χ, Φ Κ Ψ, Α Τ Ω.
2d Division.	Tau.....	Franklin and Marshall.....	2	2	1	2				7 20	Flourishing...	5	2	Chi Phi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Psi.
	Upsilon.....	Rensselaer.....	1	3	5	2				11 19½	Very good....	7	5	Theta Xi, Zeta Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Phi, Chi Phi, Theta Delta Chi.
	Mu.....	Ohio Wesleyan University.	6	3	3	3				15 21	Good.....	12	4	Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Chi Phi.
	Beta.....	Ohio University.....	1	1	1	2				5 23	Good.....	3	2	Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta.
	Zeta.....	Adelbert.....		3		1				4 20	Fair.....	4	-	Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Upsilon (X Ψ, local).
	Eta.....	Buchtel.....	2	4	2	1	3			12 21	Excellent.....	10	2	Phi Delta Theta, (Lone Stars, local).
3d Division.	Theta.....	Bethany.....	4	6						10 23	Very good....	10	-	Β Θ Π.
	Chi.....	Kenyon.....	1		2		2			5 20	Poor.....	5	-	Δ Κ Ε, Ψ Υ, Α Δ Φ, Θ Δ Χ, Β Θ Π.
	Psi.....	Wooster University.....	2	5	1	5	6			19 21	Very good....	13	6	Β Θ Π, Φ Δ Θ, Φ Κ Ψ, Φ Γ Δ, Σ Χ.
	Beta Delta.....	University of Georgia.....	6	6	1					13 20	Excellent.....	10	4	Κ Α, Σ Α Ε, Χ Φ, Φ Δ Θ, Α Τ Ω, Φ Γ Δ.
	Beta Epsilon.....	Emory.....		3	4	6	1			14 19	Good.....	10	6	Chi Phi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha.
	Beta Theta.....	University of the South.....	4	4	4	4				16 19½	Excellent.....	11	6	Α Τ Ω, Σ Α Ε, Φ Δ Θ, Κ Σ, Κ Α.
4th Division.	Delta.....	University of Michigan.....	3	5	2	3				13 20	Very good....	10	3	Χ Φ, Α Δ Φ, Ζ Ψ, Σ Φ, Ψ Υ, Δ Κ Ε, Β Θ Π, Φ Κ Ψ.
	Epsilon.....	Albion.....	3	3	3	3				12 22½	Excellent.....	11	1	-
	Iota.....	Michigan Agricultural.....	6	1	1					8 22	Good.....	8	-	Phi Delta Theta.
	Kappa.....	Hillsdale.....	5	3	2	3				13 24	Excellent.....	13	-	Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi.
	Phi.....	Hanover.....	4		2	4				10 20	Good.....	7	2	Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi.
	Beta Beta.....	DePauw University.....	5	4		1	1	3		14 20	Good.....	11	5	Σ Χ, Φ Κ Ψ, Φ Γ Δ, Φ Δ Θ, Β Θ Π, Δ Κ Ε.
4th Division.	Beta Zeta.....	Butler University.....			1	4	1			6 22	Good.....	3	3	Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta.
	Lambda.....	Lombard University.....	3	1	1	1	5			11 23	Excellent.....	7	4	Phi Delta Theta.
	Xi.....	Simpson Centenary.....	4		2	2				8 21½	Never better..	5	4	Phi Kappa Psi, (P A, local).
	Omicron.....	Iowa State University.....	6	4	2	3				15 21	Good.....	13	3	Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi.
	Omega.....	Iowa State College.....	7	8						15 20¾	First rate.....	15	1	-
	Beta Eta.....	University of Minnesota.....		3	3	5				11 20½	Good.....	7	4	Chi Psi, Phi Delta Theta, (Θ Φ, local).
4th Division.	Beta Kappa.....	University of Colorado.....		2	1	4				7 21	Excellent.....	6	1	-
	TOTALS.													
	First Division.....		15	21	22	18	3		1	80	19.7	56	26	
	Second Division.....		26	35	18	22	12			113	20.8	88	30	
	Third Division.....		26	16	11	18	2	3		76	21.5	63	14	
	Fourth Division.....		20	18	9	15	5			67	21.3	53	17	
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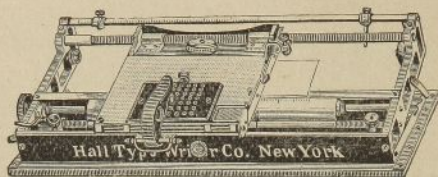
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