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A COLLEGE SONG.

(AN ECHO FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.)

It is only a band of students,
Who over the campus pass,
With a rollicking song of woman and wine,
The pipe and the brimming glass.

Now loud I can hear the singing,
For the night is clear and still,
And now it comes with a softer strain
As they pass beyond the hill.

*" May the pipe and the bowl never leave us,
May kind friends never deceive us,
And happy be the maid who shall meet us,
As we go rolling home!"*

It is only a thoughtless ditty
On stillness borne along ;
But it seems to me that ghosts have waked
To startle the night with song.

And the dead years fall asunder,
I feel my pulses thrill
As my heart goes out with a bound to join
The chorus over the hill.

Swift back to the careless moments
I fly like a bird set free ;
And the old songs roll from my lips once more
In jovial company.

*" May the pipe and the bowl never leave us,
 May kind friends never deceive us,
 And happy be the maid who shall meet us,
 As we go rolling home."*

Hello, there, George, old fellow!
 And Tom, with your merry laugh!
 And, Morton, my boy, to the good old times,
 Here's a purple cup to quaff!

Wake up, there, poet Charlie!
 And Frank, don't jump the crowd!
 And Henry and Alf and John, old sports,
 Let's swell the chorus loud.

*" Oh, stand to your glasses steady,
 And drink to your lady's eyes.
 Here's a health to the dead——"* Like a startled thing
 The fancy quickly flies.

On the breath of night the singing
 Comes faint and fainter still,
 Until at last e'en the echo is hushed
 Of the chorus over the hill.

I press my head on the pillow
 With a feeling akin to pain,
 Was it carol of revel I heard just now,
 Or was it a requiem strain?

Or perhaps it was both, gay fellows.
 Though little you seek it so,
 As bidding farewell to your youth with a laugh
 Far over the hill you go.

Light words from light lips ringing
 To the lilt of a measure gay,
 There's a sweet, low plaint in a college song
 That echoes from yesterday.

Charles Washington Coleman, Alpha.

Contributions.

RALLY ALL !

The welcome news comes that the SHIELD AND DIAMOND is to be revived, welcome to me, and I hope welcome to all *W's*, I know it is welcome to all *true W's*. We can now once more feel that *W. K. A.* is something that it is really alive yet, that it actually has some fair promise of continuing to live ; and we can hear again from those of whom we have so longed to know something during the long hibernation of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND. It is not the time for a threnody or jeremiad. The fact of revival awakens new hope. It shows that there is yet a great deal of vitality, but there are still many who love the dear old Order. And so it should be a time for jubilation for all who do.

We do not care to spend time or worry in looking back. By now the lessons of the past should be sufficiently impressed not to require rehearsal. Let us not forget them, but let us not waste energy in mourning over them. The thing to do is to look forward and upward. Whatever may have been the past we know that starting from the *present* we can make *W. K. A.* a success, By the rejuvenation of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND we are convinced that there is enough timber, sound and solid, heart timber, not threaded and weakened by the dry rot of indifference, in the Fraternity to build anew if need be, a noble Order. Dead heads are not wanting in *this* Fraternity, *nor in any* Fraternity, that is certain. It may *even be expected*, seeing that they are everywhere, in every thing. Every hive has its drones. There are myriads of these dead heads in the Church, millions of them in society. Let us ignore them except to pity, and let those that are a live forge ahead. The other day I saw two young fellows riding a tandem bicycle. Doubtless they had made a compact to *work* as well as *enjoy* the wheel together. But the rear man was sitting with his feet on the coasters complacently puffing a cigarette ! The guiding man, unawares

of this fact, was also *puffing*, but with the effort to propel what he doubtless thought was the heaviest wheel on the market! But for the joke in the matter, the back man should have been kicked off, the other would have been much better off without him. Make your own application! Of course, we cannot resort to such extremes, but with our eyes open we can make the best of the situation. One half of the world carries the other any way. Frequently the off horse has to do all the pulling. Frequently the husband, and frequently the wife, has to carry the other, whereas they should pull together for the common weal. We can console ourselves with such reflections, but must not therefore relax our individual efforts. But what must we do?

In the first place, we must carefully look to the strengthening of the lines of which we are at present in possession. *Too rapid growth is not always healthy*, and frequently brings disease. *Conservatism is the very life principle of healthy growth*. But we must not only be conservative in the matter of extension, but also very much so in taking in men. Dead heads only increase the weight without even giving momentum.

In the second place, I would say *to the alumni, in particular*, that we must not suffer our interest in the Order to relax, but rather arouse it more. I believe the world would not be as well off without *H. K. A.*, that *H. K. A.* would not be as well off without the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, that the SHIELD AND DIAMOND would not be as well off without hearty financial and literary support from the alumni as well as the active members. Let us give it these, not simply for our own entertainment or interest, but for the sake of the good that it, and by it the Fraternity, will do in making true men and useful citizens of college boys. The degree system now prepared has in it the potency for being very beneficial in drawing the alumni together and keeping them in closer contact with the active body after the adoption and establishment of the active degrees, it will be easy and perhaps desirable to have two additional degrees for the alumni Chapters, corresponding in a distant way to Chapter masonry. Secret Orders undoubtedly have their value, despite the antagonism of Presidents Harper and McCosh and others, and we can easily now, if we act with determination, make ours immensely valuable.

In the third place, we must in introducing this system reorganize on a thoroughly effective basis. I do not regard it

as wholly a misfortune, that through misunderstanding our Convention was not held in Atlanta during Christmas holidays, I think now we would have acted immaturely in the hurry. But by next summer we can arrange to have a grand Convention for a week if necessary, with at least two strong delegates from each Chapter, alumni as well as active. Then every matter can be carefully weighed, and to these the degrees can be communicated and they be commissioned to communicate them to their Chapters. There are some serious matters that they must think over carefully between now and then, which I cannot mention here, as they are not for the eyes of other Fraternity men, who may see this.

I hope that the SHIELD AND DIAMOND may never again have to lie dormant. If we are not going to do things right, support our Magazine properly, build up and strengthen and solidify our Fraternity as we should *and easily can*, why then let us do a good job and *kill it outright*, in violation of every obligation and sentiment, and give place to more hardy and successful competitors. Who will consider this latter alternative for a moment?

D. J. Brimm, G. H. C.

CHAPTER LIFE IN THETA.

At the commencement of this short sketch I can express a sentiment that parallels one recently uttered by Mr. Harrison: If a mistake has been made in the choice of a topic, and the selection of a writer, the blame must be attached to some one other than the author of this article.

The home of Theta Chapter is the Southwestern Presbyterian University, located in Clarksville, Tenn. In this sketch I shall not narrate particular incidents, and tell of many individuals, for to the rank and file of the Fraternity these matters will be of little interest, the actors in such events being known only to few members of the Fraternity. However, I do believe a short account of Chapter life in Theta, setting forth the principles that moulded the character of the Chapter, will be interesting and beneficial to other Chapters. I am able to speak only of incidents that occurred during my connection with Theta, which began in the fall of 1888. Next to the laudable pride I feel in being a *II.*, is the proud distinction of being a member of Theta Chapter. Between the utter extinction of the noble

Fraternity and her present status, Theta Chapter has twice stood. Iota, at Hampden Sidney, is her child. *Lambda*—which gave us Smyth—was a child of Iota, and, therefore, I suppose we can call *Lambda* a grandchild of Theta.

At the time I was admitted into a revelation of our mysteries Alpha, Theta and Iota were our only surviving Chapters. Alpha was virtually not a factor, being choked and throttled by her political environment at the University of Virginia. I have a vivid recollection of the futile correspondence that passed between Theta and Alpha, looking toward united action for the welfare of the Fraternity. In the winter of 1890, Rice, representing Alpha, myself a delegate from Theta, and several of Iota's men assembled in convention at Hampden Sidney. Leaving that convention we thought a rapid progress toward a realization of our hopes would be consummated, and as I enthusiastically detailed the work of the convention to expectant Theta one would have thought the millenium of our career had begun. Time works great changes. In the spring of that session a letter came to Theta, the contents of which dampened our ardor. Alpha had succumbed to the inevitable and would forward her effects to Theta. Iota and Theta alone remained to constitute a Chapter list. Theta gave Rice, Brimm and Caufield to the Fraternity. Verily it was an honor to be a member of Theta.

Life in this noble Chapter seemed at times to struggle for existence against adverse forces. Especially was this true at the opening of the session of 1889-90. A large Chapter assembled in our old hall in June, 1889. In September of that same year I alone returned to the University to represent the Fraternity. "Foster, where are all your men?" was a question repeatedly answered. In vain did I visit the trains, looking for a delegation. The situation was critical; something had to be done. I presented the case to two alumni residents of Clarksville, demanded their presence in the Chapter hall, that our charter might be retained, and there we planned for the preservation of our almost extinct Chapter. That session drew to a close with five earnest, loyal brothers to battle for the principles we cherished.

Discipline is a great teacher, and a formative force in moulding strong characters. The sturdiness of Theta Chapter, developed under the energizing forces I have mentioned. When I began Chapter life my lot was cast with

such men as Rice, Brimm, Blackburn, Wells and Alt-father—men whose influence has been felt in every department of the Fraternity. A conservatism controlled by sound judgment was the guiding principle of the body. A record, glorious from the very beginning of Chapter life, served as inspiration, as well as a conserving feature in every effort for extension. It was impossible to associate with the Chapter of 1888-89 and not become impregnated with two principles, viz: advancement, but die rather than advance with improper material.

At the opening of the session of 1888-89, when I alone constituted the roll of the active members of the Chapter, I was the recipient of many letters from former active members, all breathing this same conservative principle.

The danger of our situation was well understood by every member we initiated into our mysteries. The nearness to which we had approached almost utter extinction seemed a blessing in disguise. It cemented more firmly the bonds of fellowship, and gave us that strength which unity in purpose possesses.

In addition to this unity of spirit and purpose characterizing Theta during my connection with her there existed another marked feature, and the cause I think of the unity above mentioned. *The glorious records of the past were made known to every new member*, and he felt charged with the obligation of adding to and not subtracting from that record. On the night of the second meeting after my initiation, Bro. Wells said to me, "Take this book home with you; read it, for you will be interested." The book referred to was a history of all the members of Theta Chapter from its foundation. In our Chapter meetings these records were often mentioned. To dim that lustre which we knew was attached to our Chapter and that in the face of confiding men, required a spirit not found among the members of Theta. Even to this day that record book does faithful service.

In our Chapter life Smyth was a veritable bug-bear. Now, everybody in the Fraternity knows Smyth to be a companionable, agreeable brother. The writer had the pleasure of meeting him at the Convention in Danville, and no man has ever impressed him as having a more determined, indomitable nature than Smyth, and yet withal, a greater collection of noble qualities. Now, Smyth was a bug-bear in this way. Some brother would propose an oyster supper; the suggestion was met by a response from some other

Frater. that such an event was out of order, as Smyth would soon be heard, asking for that money. Many an oyster supper has the charm of his name destroyed for Theta Chapter. Precedent and custom had almost established a new item in our order of business; that item read after this manner: "Any communication from Smyth?" I have often been anxious to learn how his name affected the brothers in other Chapters. Seriously, however, no trait in our Chapter life was more marked than a desire to assist our Grand Treasurer in his labor of love. Smyth has placed every member of the *H. K. A.* Fraternity under deep obligations to him, and Theta strongly felt the imposed duty and obligation. So far as I remember no call went unheeded. Even our alumni were not overlooked; some brother full of burning zeal would ferret them out from the busy walks of life, present that matter that lay next his heart and solicit a contribution. And Fraternity love and life with us had not a circumscribed existence; the fact that a reclining Chapter was a declining Chapter seemed burned into every heart. To forward the interests of the Fraternity seemed the ruling spirit of the Chapter. Sigma at Vanderbilt University, and Rho at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn., are monuments to her zeal in this direction.

In the sphere of athletics, and also in the social realm, our boys were important factors. To extensively allude to this topic would necessitate the employment of many names of local interest only, and I forbear in accordance with my previously announced intention.

Theta has always been and is to-day a Chapter of much force of character. I believe the features I have mentioned are the cause of the character she bears. In the realm of character building, as well as in physical matters, like causes produce like effects. I earnestly hope that all our Chapters will be conservative in action, unified in spirit, aggressive in extension, and determined to advance in the channel marked out by our constitution. Then will our Fraternity occupy the position she is worthy to hold.

J. S. Foster.

P. K. A. MUST LIVE.

May I claim just a little of your space? Let me congratulate the Fraternity on the reappearance of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND. We have missed it, and I have voiced the sentiment of many—nay, of all when I say it is with pleasure that I hear that it is soon to be in our hands again. There's something very vital about *H. K. A.*ism. It is like Shakespeare's "damned spot;" it just *won't* out. Started in 1868 its Alpha, planted several outposts, few of which survived. But those which did, took deep hold; and, when its revival came it spread and multiplied its Chapters and strengthened itself, and now it rises again with greater strength, let us hope, from the effect of the financial crisis. I sincerely trust that we may have a long stretch of prosperity.

But not by its numerical strength alone, nor by its increased or increasing roll of Chapters has it demonstrated its right to live. If that were its only claim to the right of survival it would long ago have passed beneath the waves. There is something inherent in its very nature which gives it place among the "fittest."

It has been the good fortune of the writer during several years to meet many of its members, under various circumstances and to observe many phases of Fraternity influence. It was at our Fraternity's birth place, more than six years ago that the writer met on one of the walks, leading through the hallowed grounds of the University of Virginia, a tall, handsome fellow with a badge of our Order on his breast. 'Twas the means of our introduction, and I soon found him as enthusiastic in the matters of *H. K. A.*, as he was earnest and true-hearted in everything. He had even made it a point to come to that Institution because our mother Chapter was there, in the hope of spurring her on to greater achievements in the matter of occupying new territory. That man is to-day one of the foremost ministers in the Southern Presbyterian Church, beloved by all who know him, and more sought after by Churches where pulpits are vacant than any minister I know of. Two years later in the course of my travels I met at his home office the head of a noted Shoe House, whose trade extends over all the States south of the Mason and Dixon Line. It had been years since he had given the pass word or had passed within the sacred portals. But he had not forgotten the grip.

His Chapter had long since been added to the defunct list but he could recall the name of nearly every member and had kept trace of nearly all of them. It was with genuine pleasure that we chatted about college days. Again, during last summer, while the writer was at the famous old Greenbrier White Sulphur in West Virginia, the Virginia State Bar Association was in session there. While talking to some of its officers I noticed the eyes of one of the members resting on me, and, as I rose to walk away he came to me and introduced himself with the remark, "I am a *H. K. A.*," and for something like an hour he withdrew from the circle of congenial legal minds and talked to me about his old college days and Fraternity associations, and grew eloquent as he told me how he had recently assisted in reviving one of the old Chapters under most auspicious circumstances. That man was one of the two lawyers of Virginia specially complimented by the then President of that Association, for his literary work and that *H.* is to-day the President of the "Virginia State Bar Association."

Now I say that there is something in our Fraternity which is well worthy of culture if it takes strong hold on such men as these, something that is worth striving for; something that deserves to live. Personally I was unknown to each of these men, and that they found it interesting to talk to me was because I was a *H. K. A.* Shall I analyze it for you and try to find why these men did not let *H. K. A.*'ism willingly die? In the first place, each of these men had been workers in their Chapters. They had found that the objects of our Fraternity, as set forth in its ritual were real objects, not mere forms; they had striven to live up to the ideals there set before them, and had been made better men by it. In the second place the Chapter to which they belonged had striven to make their Chapter meetings such social gatherings as would be improving; would give them when far from home, a home circle. In the selection of men their Chapters had cared less for what its initiates *had* than for what *H.*'s its initiates *were*. In selecting men their several Chapters had chosen gentlemen always, but they did not stop with that qualification, they must be congenial gentlemen.

And now if I could name for you the Chapters to which they belonged, and you were as conversant with the character of the men they developed as I am, you would know that

the effect of such Fraternity spirit has not been lost. From each of the three Chapters which these men represent have come forth strong, successful, well rounded gentlemen.

This letter is desultory, I know, but if it can bring to the active men the lesson I fain would impress, I shall be glad to have snatched the time it took to write it from my busy life.

You who are now in the Chapters have glorious opportunities presented to you. Do not waste them. *II. K. Aism* is something. Its ideals are worth striving after. It is worth your while to select with care your initiates, to make your gathering something worth remembering.

The struggle of life will come soon enough to bring you into the whirl where the almighty dollar is worshipped over all, and where friendships, too, are often based on pecuniary conditions. Let your Fraternity life keep your hearts warm and glowing, and, when you sever your active connection with it may it be something worth remembering.

"T. A. R."

A DESERVED COMPLIMENT.

The Courier, the weekly paper issued by the University of Pennsylvania, has the following to say with reference to Southern Fraternity spirit: "We believe the Fraternity idea is more enthusiastically cheered in the South than in this section, and this may be due fundamentally to that in-born spirit of hospitality and chivalry, just alluded to and for which Southern manhood is justly famous.

A FANCY.

(FOR SHIELD AND DIAMOND.)

Oh, cast thine eye down where my finger shows,
Out o'er the water's surface smooth and deep,
Adown the river's far spread, even flows—
Beyond to where the roseate matins keep.

And stretch the tinted distance out to west;
Down where two promontories pierce athwart
The broadened way, their smoky blue hill crest,
As misty threshold of some gated port.

Through that and 'yond where modest Twilight's veil
Envelops distance in a haze more dim,
And further still to where that single sail
Doth point a warning finger at earth's rim—

See—where waters end, begin the skies?
Well, *there*, I think, is gate of Paradise.

A. D. Watkins, Iota.

Chapter Letters.

ALPHA.

The beginning of the present session saw the members of Alpha fall in line, but some familiar forms and faces were not present to gladden our eyes. At present seven of the old members are here, and three new men were "goated." These were Brothers J. M. Robertson, W. H. L. White and W. L. Rogers, and by their presence our band has been strengthened. The whole list of old members now present are: Brothers Curtis J. Cullen, R. L. Gladney, W. Lawrence Smith, C. D. Fishburne, Charles H. H. Thomas, Vivian S. Sloan and C. C. Owens. Brother J. P. Powers, Jr., came to us from Nashville, and has been very helpful in our work.

Last summer Brother Henry St. George Tucker came off with flying colors, and expects to resume his studies here at some later day. Brother Kelly has been missed from our midst. Both of these have developed into "pedagogues" or professors.

Brothers Crenshaw and Marshall have left the classic walls of this institution to enter upon the arena of life. Our brothers of medical aspirations have steered towards the opposite poles. Brother Hall paid a brief visit to his friends at this place, but is now said to be pursuing his studies at Tulane, while Brother Doyle is burning his midnight oil in New York City. The latter came to us last session from Clinton, S. C., and left pleasant impressions with us.

Brother Gladney came into our midst and gave us some idea of what material "Theta" is composed. He and Brother Cullen are passing along the even tenor of their way, holding prolonged converse with the ancients. Brother Smith is much occupied with the weighty tomes of law. He will represent us in the pages of the University Annual. Now and then Brother Thomas shows up and gives us a hearty greeting.

For a short time last session Brother Sloan was with us

but after a severe and prolonged illness, he returned home. At present he is working for his degree in the engineering department. Brother C. D. Fishburne seems to be keeping his eye upon the degree and will likely reach the mark. C. C. Owen is "Jota's" sole representative, and helps to make up the list.

BETA.

Beta takes much pleasure in sending this, her first letter, to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND which we eagerly await.

With five men, D. K. Pope, C. H. Little, J. C. Story, D. F. Hunter and C. C. Orr, as a nucleus, Beta has become strong and progressive since its re-establishment on November 30th, 1894. Soon after being initiated these men set about and added before June, 1895, the following names to her list: J. M. McKinnor, J. E. Thompson, D. S. Pitts, E. B. Lattimore, R. S. Estridge and P. A. Staugh.

We had two rooms comfortably and elegantly fitted up during the summer. Bro. Story stayed on the campus and attended to this. The fall term opened most prosperously for the College.

Bro. Story graduated in June (and by the way, he got the Debators Medal in his Society,) so did not return. Bro. Orr graduated, but is still with us since he is teaching near town. Bro. Pitts is studying medicine in Atlanta. Bro. Story is teaching school at Ellerbe Springs, N. C., and as principal of the High School there is succeeding well. All the other members returned and went earnestly to work.

G. T. Clarke, Charlotte, N. C.; F. D. Jones, Lowryville, S. C.; R. H. Laffarty, Davidson, N. C., and Troup Whitehead, Warrenton, Ga., have been initiated since College opened in the fall.

The Fraternities here are on a sound basis and the best of terms. The evidence of this is that we will issue an annual in the spring, to be gotten out exclusively by the Greeks. Bro. Jones is our representative on the editorial staff.

Beta takes pride in what she has done since her re-establishment and feels the deepest interest in the welfare of the Fraternity at large. She tries to take a conservative, therefore, safe stand among other Fraternities here. The only thing that has ruffled the serenity and pleasure of her existence was the intensely unpleasant duty of the expulsion of J. E. Thompson. We regret to chronicle this fact.

THETA.

After the long months of silence, during which time we have only heard of our brothers through occasional personal letters, it is with joy that we welcome the re-appearance of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, and we hail it as an omen of success to our beloved Fraternity.

It would be impossible to give a full account of all that has transpired since our last letter was printed, but I will give a short sketch of the main events.

We recall with sorrow the loss of one of our best and most beloved brothers, Bro. Will Lockert, who died on the 19th of August, 1894.

During the fall of 1894 we added to our roll the following names: D. W. Hollingsworth, J. D. McPhail, Jno. F. Frierson, W. K. Hobson and A. D. Fontaine, and in the spring of 1895 Mr. W. L. Carr was invited to take a nocturnal ride on "Billy" which he did to the entire satisfaction of every one.

The summer months were spent very pleasantly and profitably by all the brethren, and those that returned were in fine trim for both Fraternity and college work.

A few of our old men have left us. Bro. Robert Hill who had been here since the early days of the Institution, graduated with a B. D. accepted a call from the Cottage Church of Nashville, Tenn., took unto himself a wife and is now a beloved pastor. Bro J. D. Wallace accepted a call from the First Presbyterian Church of Brownsville, Tenn., where he is doing a noble work. Bro Wallace is still a happy bachelor. Bros. Ready, Fontaine and McPhail did not return. Bros. W. L. Carr, U. D. Mooney, Jno. F. Frierson, C. S. Shell, J. N. Ivy, D. W. Hollingsworth, W. K. Hobson and T. E. P. Woods, returned to school. To tell all that these brethren did during the summer, of the wonderful sermons they preached, the hearts they broke, the money they did'nt make, and many other things they accomplished, would take volumes, so we desist, although we know it gives pain to our brethren not to hear it.

We were glad to welcome Bro. R. E. Blackburn, a member of *Theta* in '88, back this year; he comes to study theology.

At the beginning of the school term we initiated Bro. W. T. Ivy, Jr., brother of Jos. N. Ivy, into the mysteries of *II*

K. A. Bro. Ivy, though considerably frightened, acquitted himself creditably. In October last we were fortunate in persuading Mr. S. C. Barr to link his fate with ours, and we feel sure *Π. K. A.* will one day be as proud of him as *Theta* is now.

It was a great disappointment to us not to have the Convention, but we hope it was for the best, and stand ready to respond to any call that may be made in the future.

Our Fraternity is to-day stronger than it has ever been, and if we strive with vigor now, while everything is so ready to be carried on to success, we shall see, with pride, our Fraternity taking her stand where she belongs—in front.

Brothers, let us remember our watchword, remember the lessons our Fraternity teaches, remember the duties we owe her, and resolve to do our best work for *Π. K. A.* this year.

IOTA.

To all who love dear old Π K A Greeting :

We are glad to let you know how *Iota* is faring; for we flatter ourselves that among the readers of the *SHIELD AND DIAMOND* there are many who are interested in our welfare. We returned this session with five old members: W. S. Wilson, Jones, Gaines, Caldwell, and Kee, (of *Theta*), which number is just half of what we had last year. We sadly miss those brothers whom we lost, for we love them dearly; and their presence and counsel was always enjoyable and helpful. But they are now scattered far and wide, and their influence is being felt in other quarters. Bro. H. W. McLaughlin is continuing his studies at the Louisville Theological Seminary, where he will be graduated this year. Bro. Ballou is teaching at Millwood, Va.; and Bro. J. D. Arbuckle, Jr., is following the same line of work. Bros. Robbins and Ralston, who were graduated last year from Union Theological Seminary, are now preaching in Texas and West Virginia respectively.

Though our numbers were so much depleted by the loss of these, we who remained started out quite hopefully on the term. Soon we received into our ranks D. G. Wilson, ('98), a brother of W. S. Wilson, who is known to so many of you, and R. M. Bird, ('97), of Petersburg, Va.; and we are very proud of these two new men. We know they will

ably help us to hold aloft *II K A's* banner, and to keep it in the position it has so long occupied.

Although things are now peaceful on the sea of Fraternity matters, we have passed through a squall which at one time made that sea quite rough, and caused its waves to be crested with much froth and foam. Three Fraternities, *Phi Gamma Delta*, *Chi Phi*, *Phi Kappa Psi*, thinking that there had been what was called dirty rushing on the part of the *Kappa Sigma* Fraternity, called a meeting of representatives from the different Fraternities. It was then decided to call a Panhellenic meeting, and to summon the *Kappa Sigma* Fraternity to appear before it, and to answer charges that would be preferred against their chapter. At the precise hour of the appointment they came in; the charges were made against them, and they were allowed the opportunity to clear themselves if they could. And this they did to the satisfaction of the *II K A* and *Sigma Chi* Fraternities; and then when the question came up as to excluding the *Kappa Sigma* Fraternity from the Panhellenic Council, the vote stood four to two; and then the *II K A* and the *Sigma Chi* men withdrew. So now we have a very peculiar state of affairs: a Panhellenic Council consisting of four out of seven Fraternities! Something of a contradiction, we think, unless you change the meaning of *pan*. But the clouds have blown over, and the waters are again quiet.

We hail the re-appearance of our Magazine with joy. Is not this a crisis in our Fraternity life? Does not the New Year dawn with brighter hopes? Let us all do our share in making 1896 a red letter year in the history of *II K A*. Let us support our leaders in the matter of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND; and let each man feel that there is something he can do to maintain *II K A* in the position she now holds; and ought to hold, in Fraternity circles.

NU.

Christmas has passed so I will only be able to wish you each and all, a Happy New Year.

Our exercises, the beginning of the end for some of us, began again on January 2d after our Christmas holiday. I noticed at roll-call the *II's* were well represented for they are as a general thing very punctual.

As this is our first letter to our medium, this collegiate

year, I will give you a short outline of our Chapter. Although there are seven (7) Fraternities represented here we stand as well as any of them in numbers, for we have thirteen members, as follows: Bros. Leitner and Clinkscales, who expect to get our "A. B." at the coming commencement; Bro. Shannon, of the Junior Class, who is making a mark for himself; Bros. Allen, Cottingham, Edwards, H. H., and Stribling, of the Sophomore, and Bros. Brown, Fort, Jennings and Mathais of the Freshman Class.

Our men generally have their share of Honors of College Life during their College career.

Bro. Shannon is the only one who is forcibly brought before the public this year and that is, as Junior Debater. In Class work our men are above the average, especially those of the upper classes. Now, I don't wish to "show off" on the *Fresh.* but I do think that our four Fresh. after they have rid themselves of the proverbial greenness, will make as good showing as any of Wofford's sons.

Our Chapter life is often very simple, but always interesting, for all that. We feel when together as *brothers*, and outside of the home life, this feeling exists only in a *true* Fraternity Chapter. Our Chapter in comparison with others here is above the average. Our boys, as a rule are fond of the town society. Some, however, have no inclination to mix with the young people at all, except on special occasions during some entertainment at the College.

If I had space, I would say something of a few of our *II's* as representative and star players on the "gridiron," but I will desist.

XI.

The news of the revival of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND has brought joy to the hearts of many loyal *II's*. We are glad that our members have realized that no Fraternity can permanently exist without a Journal. We feel most profoundly grateful to the officers of our Fraternity who have given time and labor in their untiring efforts to revive the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, and who have shown such true devotion to our Order in the time of adversity.

In December, 1893, *Xi* initiated a man, whose reputation as a scholar and an educator extends over the whole of our country. Dr Edward S. Joynes is most widely known as a

teacher and an author. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and has served as professor of modern languages in Washington and Lee University, in Vanderbilt University, and in the University of Tennessee, and now holds that position in the South Carolina College. Dr Joynes has written a great number of text books on German and on French, the most noted of which are Joynes-Meissner's German Grammar, Joynes-Otto's French books, and Joynes's French Grammar, all of which are known and used throughout the United States. It is probable that in some future number we shall give to the readers of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND an account of Dr Joynes's life.

Perhaps never before in the history of the South Carolina College has there been such a revival as in the past two years. The old College, hoary with age and famous for its illustrious graduates, seemed at one time to be near its end. But the people of the State have awakened to their duty, and the future that a short time ago seemed so gloomy is now bright with hope and prosperity.

During the session of 1894-'95 *Xi* got her full share in quality if not in quantity. Bros. Edgar L. Ready, R. M. Fuller, W. B. Lyles and A. C. Carson were the initiates. Unfortunately Bros. Ready and Fuller did not return after the Christmas holidays of 1894, but both will probably return next session.

The present session opened with a larger number of students in College than last year. Before the end of the College year the roll will have reached 200. But material for Fraternities is scarce. So far we have initiated only one man, Bro. W. L. McCutchen, and no other name has been before the Chapter. Bro. McCutchen is a valuable addition to our ranks. He is a Sophomore and takes a good stand in his Class.

At present we have only six members in the Chapter that are initiates of *Xi*, Bros. Flinn, Leary, Lyles, Carson, McCutchen and Hughes, while there are three here from other Chapters, Bros. George McCutchen of *Mu*, and B. H. Henderson and W. F. Norton of *Nu*.

Bro. J. L. Flinn has just completed a term as President of the Clariosophic Society. Bro. J. P. Leary is President of the Junior Class, and is one of the assistant editors of the College Magazine. Bro. George McCutchen is leading the Sophomore Class. Bro. E. F. Strother graduated with distinction in the Law Class of '94, and is now a prominent attorney at Batesburg, S. C.

With the graduation of the Class of '95, our Chapter lost one of its best men. Bro. W. G. Belser was the only *II* in the Class, lead it throughout his College course, won the essayist's medal in his Junior year, was Junior President of the Euphradian Society, won the Euphradian debator's medal, delivered the valedictory for his Society and, to crown it all, graduated with highest honors. Bro. Belser is now principal of the Graded Schools at Georgetown, S. C.

Bro. J. M. Pope, '92, graduated at the head of his Class last year at the S. C. Medical College, Charleston, S. C., and received the appointment to the Charleston Hospital.

Bro. T. F. Brantley, '92, Law '93, is chief in the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. In addition to his regular work last year Bro. Brantley took a post-graduate course in the Georgetown Law School. He was selected as one of the debators to represent Georgetown in the annual contest with Columbian University. He opened and closed the debate for Georgetown and was victorious.

Another graduate of the Class of '92 is Bro. H. B. Wilkinson, of whom *II. K. A.* may justly be proud. While at the South Carolina College Bro. Wilkinson took a high stand. After graduating he entered the medical department of the University of Virginia, from which he graduated with distinction in the Class of '94, receiving from the University the second appointment to the Southwestern Hospital at Marion, Va. He has been elected second junior surgeon at the Insane Hospital at Tuscaloosa, Ala, where he now is.

It is our earnest hope that the SHIELD AND DIAMOND can soon be placed on a firm, financial footing, thus aiding to accomplish those noble objects for which our Fraternity was established.

PI.

Pi begun her year of '96 with prospects very favorable indeed. The number of brothers we have at present are two old men from last year and five fat promising Goats. We have taken into our midst lately Mr. S. D. Harrison, of Winchester, Va.

Pi has not been behind in taking college honors of late. We are proud of Brother A. B. LaFar for being elected business manager of our annual, *The Calyx*, and also athletic

editor of *The Collegian*, our college paper, and Brother H. W. Garrow for the scholarship he won last year by standing first in his Math. class. Brother Shepherd also has the honor of being associate editor of *The Collegian*.

Our alumni are all doing well this year and crediting *II. K.*'s well deserving honor by their trustworthy positions.

They are as follows: Brother J. C. Dillan is in the office of the Buena Vista Iron Furnace. Brother L. P. Dillan is in the lime business in Indian Rock, Va. Brother A. S. Higginatham is in Tazewell, Va., practicing his profession, law, in the firm of Chapman & Gillespie. Brother Miley Porter is in Houston, Texas, in the real estate business.

This has been so far a very promising year for old Washington and Lee.

Intermediate examinations are over and real work has commenced again after our pleasant vacation of about ten days. Our athletics have been going on very steadily in the way of training in our handsome gymnasium for the coming contests in the boat racing. Base ball has also begun to take hold of the boys, and the prospects for the spring team are very promising indeed. The first game was played on Saturday, the 19th, between a team composed of law students and one composed of the academs. of college, resulting in a victory for the academs. Of course Pi expects to be well represented as usual in the Boat crews. We send best wishes for our sister Chapters.

TAU.

We are truly glad to have an opportunity of sending a report of our Chapter for publication in the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, and as this is the first letter we have sent to the Magazine, we ask your indulgence.

Tau has endeavored ever since her formation to work zealously for the advancement of the Fraternity, and we think that we certainly have an enthusiastic number of *II*'s in our Chapter. We have tried to do our part in raising the share apportioned to us in the financial part of the Magazine.

In our College the rule among the Fraternities is that no man is goated by the Fraternity until his second year, but the Fraternities pledge their men in advance. As yet we have only one man pledged. He is in the Law Class and

has won quite a reputation in foot ball. We have one man in the Medical Class, Samuel Edwards. He is a hard student, and has made an excellent reputation. Joe S. Wray is our only junior. He is editor for *II. K. A.* for the *Hellenian*. We have no one in the Senior Class, J. F. Nooe having gone to Texas to teach. He expects to return next year. We have four men in the present Sophomore Class: O. M. Suttle, F. O. Coover, W. F. Rucker and C. G. Winstead. This means that our next year's Junior Class will be stronger. We have what is known as the Liberal Party. This means Non-Frats and Small Frats against the Three Large Frats, S. A. E., D. K. E. and *Zeta Psi*. The Liberal Party are running a *II* for the Marshal's place.

We are going to spread ourselves this Spring and get all the best men obtainable, as we wish to make *Tou* Chapter the best Chapter at the University, and one of which the Fraternity may well be proud.

UPSILON.

The beginning of the session found only four of the original six members on hand to take up the work for the year. Bro. Payne left college last year to accept the position of co-principal of the Agricultural School at Evergreen Ala., while Bro. Harvey, for a short time, endeavored to "paddle his own canoe" in an Atlanta dry goods store, but he soon became willing to come back to us, and now we propose to keep him.

Bro. Pollard, until lately our S. M. C., deserves special mention for the good work he has done, for it is mainly through his efforts that we have been so successful. Bro. Pollard is President of the College Y. M. C. A., and is also the "ladies' man" of the Fraternity. Bros. Pollard, Tate and Purifoy are in the junior class taking the course in languages and literature, and all stand well.

Bro. Tate is President of the Wirt Literary Society, and presides with dignity over its meetings. Bros. Abbot and Van Ness are in the junior class taking a course in electrical engineering, and propose to work wonders some day with the "chained lightning." Bro. Harvey, of the Junior class, is taking a course in chemistry and football. He played on Auburn's winning team last season, and is immensely proud of its victories. Bro. McIntyre, of the

Sophomore class, and Bro Abbott are our musicians. Bro. Hunt, of the Sophomore class, plays on the "scrub" football team. Bro. Dean quietly takes his place among the best in the Sophomore class. He is taking the civil engineering course, and we know that some day he will "build his bridge." Bros. Powers and Yonge, of the Freshman class, are both fine young men, and we expect them to do honor to us in the future.

In the military department we have Lieut. Fleming, whose office is as low as he is high. Sergeant Pollard, who is a good "noncom," and corporals McIntyre, Dean and Hurt, who are awfully proud of their new stripes.

Our prospects for the coming year are good and we intend to do all in our power for the advancement of *H, K. A.*

Best wishes for the new year. May it prove a prosperous year for *H. K. A.*

ZETA.

Zeta is in a flourishing condition this year and with a bright future ahead. She opened the term of '95 by taking into her mysterious circles, on the night of the 13th of September, six good men of whom she is proud. Mr. Charles B. Rogan, Jr., of Gallatin, Tenn., was the first to lock horns with Zeta's mighty William Goat, followed by Messrs. Harry Ijams, Van D. Hite Smith and Joseph J. Prince of Knoxville, Tenn., and Richard H. Alexander and Frank L. Chenault, of Gallatin, Tenn.

Quite a number of our Alumni were present on this memorial occasion and gave to the new men the hearty grasp of Brotherhood. Directly after adjournment the Fraternity yell was heard to echo around this old Hill, then all proceeded to town, to partake of the dainty refreshments to which our ever zealous Brother "Billy" Brisco treated his brothers..

We were sorry to lose Brother Ijams, who left us on the first of November. His parents deemed it wise to send him to the Cincinnati School of Art.

We next admitted into our College family two more good men, Daniel K. Lee, of Knoxville, Tenn., and Clyde Shenwood, of Morristown, Tenn. After this initiation a feast was spread and all made merry at Zeta's victory. At the next meeting we initiated Mr. Jno. W. Hudson of Knoxville,

Tenn. This makes nine new men Zeta has taking in this term. They are all good students and zealous Pi's.

Mr. Fred. C. Sienknecht is with us this year and was elected President of the Senior Class. He is the same popular Fred of old. Mr. William K. Hunter is back again, is in the Junior year. William B. Thomas is taken Junior Law along with some literary striders. He is as jolly as ever.

Our Alumni attend all meetings and are as enthusiastic as when active students, their Fraternity occupies a tender place in their hearts and always will.

William N. Brisco has charge of the shoe department of Daniel Brisco & Co's., wholesale dry goods and notions house. Joseph E. Borches is travelling for Armour's Packing Co. James Cumfort works in his father's law office. J. B. French is on the Knoxville *Journal*. Robt. N. Troy, who was president of Senior Class last year, is in the Government employ at Atlanta Exposition. W. F. C. Williams, a graduate of '95, is also in the Government Building at Atlanta. H. E. Woodside, one of last year's honored graduates is conducting a school at Springfield, Tenn. Four Pi Kappa Alpha's played on the Foot Ball Team this year and were a credit to the University as well as their Fraternity.

There are four other Fraternities on the Hill, and all have recently seen fit to place nice Chapter Halls on the campus.

Allow us to compliment and congratulate our good workers on their great success in restoring the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, and we shall work hand in hand for its success. We hope to see it stand out like a shining star as a criterion for others as well as our own beloved Order.

The P*i*'s.

PERSONAL NOTES CONCERNING OUR MEMBERS.

In order to make this department complete and more interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to J. GRAY McALISTER, Box 37, Richmond, Va., *any item of news concerning a brother member, which may come under his notice.* If the item appears in a newspaper, clip it out, paste it on a postal and forward as above, giving date and name of paper.

—Bro. W. Gordon Belser, *Xi*, is principal of a large school in Georgetown, S. C. Bro. Belser graduated last year from the S. C. College, First Honor man of his class. He led his class for four years, and made the highest record which has been known in that institution in twenty-five years. Bro. Belser will go to Harvard, next year, to take the course fitting him for an instructor in English.

—Rev. Bro. W. S. Jacobs, *Mu*, is pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Columbus, Miss. Strange to say, Bro. Jacobs is still a single man. He is still a great "calico man," however.

—Rev. Bro. Mark Kennedy, *Theta*, of San Antonio, Texas, by advice of his physician, has gone to Fort Reed, Fla., for a visit. Bro. Kennedy's health has given way under the strain of his work, but we trust his trip South and the complete rest, will soon again restore him to his Church, in which he is doing such valuable work.

—Bro. J. C. Story, *Beta*, is principal of the Ellerbe Springs High School, N. C.

—Bro. H. E. Woodside, *Zeta*, is principal of the High School of Springfield, Tenn.

—Bro. R. O. Purdy, *Epsilon*, has made an enviable reputation for himself in the practice of law. Bro. Purdy made

his home in Sumter, S. C., soon after beginning his career as a lawyer, and has remained in that city ever since. He has twice, most acceptably, served that city as its Mayor. He has taken a prominent young lawyer into partnership with him, under firm name of Purdy and Reynolds. Bro. Purdy is counsel for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, in this State.

—Several *II*'s found employment under the U. S. Government, at the Atlanta Exposition. Brothers Robert H. Troy and W. F. C. Williams, both of *Zeta*, were among the number.

—Bro. J. E. Borches, *Zeta*, is traveling for the Armour Packing Company of Chicago.

—Rev. Bro. W. M. Anderson, *Theta*, has removed to Dallas, Texas, and is the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of that city.

—Rev. Bro. D. A. Blackburn, *Theta*, while on a visit to New York, in the Spring of 1895, visited the Church of the Strangers one afternoon during a prayer meeting. The pastor not being present, Bro. Blackburn by request, led the services. By special invitation he preached at this Church the following Sunday. The congregation soon after this sent him a unanimous call, which Bro. Blackburn accepted, moving to New York in March, 1895. The following account of the first services held by the new pastor, on Sunday, March 25th, 1895, is clipped from the *New York Herald*:

"The Church of the Strangers, in Mercer street, was filled to the doors yesterday morning, the members of the Church having attended in large numbers to welcome the new pastor, the Rev. Daniel A. Blackburn, formerly of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, of Charleston, S. C.

"Mr. Blackburn is a young man of medium size, very dark, and speaks with a strong Southern accent. In manner he is quick and nervous, but immediately impresses his audience with his great earnestness. His language is graceful and at times eloquent. He preached about Divine love."

The following account of the marriage of Rev. Bro. F. E. Maddox, *Theta*, is taken from one of the Clarksville Dailies:

"Rev. F. E. Maddox and Miss Nellie Wilson were married at the residence of the bride's mother, on South First street, this afternoon, at 1.30 o'clock. The bridegroom is a promising young minister of the Presbyterian Church, having attended the University here up to a few months ago, when he left to accept a call to a church at Cleve-

land, Tenn. He is popular with the people who know him in Clarks-ville, and will have the best wishes of all. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. G. B. Wilson and is an attractive and accomplished young lady. Mr. and Mrs. Maddox left this morning for their future home at Cleveland."

The SHIELD AND DIAMOND extends good wishes and congratulations to the young couple, for a long and happy life.

—Bro. Robert W. Goode, *Gamma*, died November 14th, 1895, after a short illness. The following newspaper account of his death has been sent us :

"Robert W. Goode, a well known young lawyer of St. Louis, died at Boerne, Tex., at 8.15 P. M., Thursday, of consumption. Mr. Goode who was born in St. Louis, was about 42 years of age. He was connected by blood with some of the oldest families, including Judge Wash, one of the first Judges of the United States Court. He was educated at William and Mary College, Virginia, had traveled extensively, and possessed great gifts as an orator, by reason of which, taken in connection with his strong Democratic partisanship, his services as a campaign orator were in great request. Mr. Goode's practice was largely in the criminal courts, and was quite successful.

"About five years ago Mr. Goode married Miss Susie, daughter of Mrs. Julia C. Cabanne. The marriage was a very happy one, and the union has been blessed with three children, all girls.

"Last December Mr. Goode's health became so far impaired that it was thought advisable that he spend the winter in the South, and he was accompanied to Texas by his devoted wife.

"Mr. Goode has not been as prominent in politics since his marriage as before, but he was a conspicuous worker in the spring campaign that resulted in the election of Judge E. A. Noonan as Mayor.

"Mr. Goode was a man of genial disposition, sociable, hospitable and manly. He was a man of strong feeling, and never hesitated to express an opinion, no matter how unpopular it might be. He was several times prominently mentioned as candidate for the Judgeship of the Court of Criminal Correction, and had presided over that tribunal as Provisional Judge during the term of Judge Claiborne, whose warm personal friend he was."

The Fraternity has lost a zealous and devoted member in the death of Bro. Goode. The SHIELD AND DIAMOND offers condolences to the bereaved family.

—The following interesting clipping concerning our honored and beloved *Grand Chaplain*, Rev. Theron H. Rice, Jr., who is pastor of a large Church at Alexandria, Va., has been sent us. No date was given, nor was the name of the place of meeting mentioned :

"One of the youngest commissioners is Rev. Theron H. Rice, of Alexandria, Va. Mr. Rice is about twenty-four years of age, and has only been in the ministry two years. Last year he was given a most

flattering call to one of the largest churches in Baltimore, but declined for reasons that reflect great credit upon him. Mr. Rice has a fine presence and one of the most pleasing voices among the commissioners. He received a very high vote for the position of reading clerk. Mr. Rice occupies the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church to-morrow. This is the largest Church in the Southern Assembly.

—Our worthy and talented young Grand Secretary, J. Gray McAllister, has accepted the important position of Business Manager of the *Central Presbyterian*, of Richmond, Va., of which Rev. Jas. P. Smith, D. D., is Editor.

—Bro. R. M. Hughes, *Gamma*, one of the most prominent and successful lawyers, of Norfolk, Va., has been elected President of the Alumni Association of William and Mary College, his Alma Mater. Bro. Hughes is also a member of the Board of Visitors of that College, as is his brother, Floyd Hughes.

—Our noble *founder*, Frederick Southgate Taylor, whom every *II* loves with ardent devotion, is, we are glad to say, enjoying good health and strength. Bro. Taylor still lives in Norfolk, Va., having retired some years ago from the active pursuit of business. He is as interested in his child, *II. K. A.*, as ever, and always aids with his means and his advice in advancing her interests. Long life to our founder is the wish of every *II*.

Rev. Bro. Robert Hill, *Theta*, is pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Nashville, Tenn. Bro. Hill was married the latter part of last year. The SHIELD AND DIAMOND extends good wishes and congratulations.

—On November 15th, 1894, Camp Moultrie, Sons of Confederate Veterans, was organized in Charleston, S. C., and Bro. Robert A. Smyth was elected its commandant, or commanding officer, with rank of major. On November 15th, 1895, Bro. Smyth was unanimously re-elected to this office.

Death has taken from us, since last we published our magazine, one of our younger members, Bro. Robert E. Moore. *Iota*, a most lovable and zealous *II*. We publish the following newspaper account of his death, which occurred June 4th, 1895:

At Tallahassee, Fla., in the twenty-eighth year of his age, Robert E. Moore, Professor of Latin in the West Florida Seminary.

Mr Moore was a native of Richmond, Va., and pursued his literary

course at Hampden Sidney College, whence he was graduated with the class of 1887. After graduation he spent two years in teaching, partly in Southern Alabama, partly in Richmond Business College. In 1889 he became a candidate for the Gospel ministry, under the care of East Hanover Presbytery, and in the fall of that year entered Union Theological Seminary. After two years he was compelled, by the inroads of pulmonary disease, to suspend his work of preparation for the ministry, and he spent the winter of 1891-2 in Orlando, Fla. In the fall of 1892 he became a member of the faculty of West Florida Seminary. Here he labored earnestly and effectively, and for a time with apparently improving health. But the insidious disease was making constant, if unsuspected, inroads, and the end came "like a thief in the night." The final examinations for the year were in progress, and he had been regular and punctual in attendance upon his duties, when, on Monday morning he felt too unwell for work, and at mid-afternoon he passed away.

The influence exerted by Mr. Moore upon all with whom he came in contact was wonderful, and illustrated the Scripture: "Not by might, not by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Gentle, retiring, unassuming, yet strong in the Lord, he stamped himself upon the perception of all as one who "walked with God." The Master who denied the coveted privilege of preaching the Word from the pulpit gave him the grace to preach with the higher eloquence of a holy life. In the school and in the social circle are many who have been led up to the higher life by his precept and example. To them, though dead, he speaketh. So while the Church may well mourn the servant she has lost, her loss has many compensations. He lived not in vain, and his works do live after him.

His death was a sad bereavement to his family, and loss to the community at large. "None knew him but to love him, none named him but to praise."

—Bro. J. N. Crute, *Epsilon*, is Judge of the County Court of Prince Edward County, Va.

—Bro. Alex. Black, *Epsilon*, is President of the Blacksburg Bank and the largest merchant and real estate owner in Blacksburg, Va.

—Bro. F. M. Magruder, *Iota* and *Alpha*, is manager of a large farm, the family plantation, near Charlottesville, Va.

—Bro. Charles Washington Coleman, *Alpha*, is Librarian in charge of the large library of the William and Mary College, Va.

—Bro. Henry W. McLaughlin, *Iota '93*, orator, poet, theolog., is in the Louisville Theological Seminary. He has in contemplation a finishing course of study in a German University.

—Bro. J. W. Basore, *Iota '93*, wears gold rimmed spectacles and sees a John Hopkin's Ph. D., in the not far distance, at Baltimore, Md.

—Bro. H. B. Arbuckle, *C. P.*, is taking a finishing course in English at the Johns Hopkin's University, Baltimore, preparing himself for a "chair."

Bro. Sandy Arbuckle, *Iota '93*, (still another) tells yarns to the boys (and girls) in the Tallahassee Seminary, Florida, and draws a salary therefrom to pay expenses.

—Bro. Albert Sidney Higgenbotham, *Iota '92*, was among the honor graduates in law, Washington and Lee University, last June. He is practicing in Tazewell, Virginia, with the firm of Chapman & Gillespie.

—Bro. J. Kirkland Hill, *Iota '91*, our Will-o-the-wisp, is manager of the Washington National Teacher's Bureau. He invites correspondence; inclose stamp for reply. Later information. He is editor and publisher of *The Scottish Chief* of Maxton, N. C.

—Rev. Bro. F. E. Robbins, *Iota*, is located at Beaumont, Texas. You will hear from him later.

—Bro. "Jack" Fishburne, *Alpha*, is one of the youngest members of the Virginia House of Delegates now in session. He received a plurality of votes in the fall election. In December he introduced three bills into the House touching State appropriations to the University of Virginia.

—Rev. Bro. Joseph Rennie, *Iota*, has recently been installed pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, Covington, Ky. He and his wife were tendered a reception by the congregation on December 13th.

—Bros. A. D. Watkins, *Iota '94*, and R. Randolph Jones, *Iota '92*, teach in Hoge Academy, Blackstone, Va. Bro. Watkins was chosen for the place above forty applicants.

—Bro. E. Piper Cox, *Alpha*, is building up a solid law business in Richmond, Va. His genial take-your-time-about-it-ness is still largely in evidence.

—Rev. Bro. J. R. Howerton, *D. D.*, *Theta*, has removed to Norfolk, Va., having accepted the call as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of that city. His address is 168 Freemason St. Bro. Howerton is a director in the South-

western Presbyterian University and Editor of the *Arkansas Presbyterian*, which appears as a page in the *St Louis Presbyterian*.

—Mr. Arthur B. LaFar, (*Pi*), of Charleston, S. C., a member of the Junior Law Class of Washington and Lee University, a popular young society man of many accomplishments, tendered, to a select circle, on Friday night at McCunn's Hall, a german in honor of the Misses Semmes. There were some forty couples on the floor. An elegant colation was partaken off at a late hour. The german was one of the most brilliant, enjoyable and successful social events ever given here.—*Lexington Gazette*.

—At the reunion and banquet of the New York Sons of the Revolution, Hon. Jas. Alston Cabell, our brother of *Alpha*, who by the way is a member of the present Virginia House of Delegates, responded to the toast "New York and Virginia in the Revolution." Bro. Cabell's speech is said to have been a most eloquent and learned one. At the conclusion of it three cheers were given for Virginia.

—A commission of Lexington Presbytery met at Lebanon Church, Virginia, Sunday morning, November 17th, 1895, and ordained licentiate Henry A. Young (our brother of *Iota*) to the full work of the Gospel ministry. A large congregation was present to witness the ceremony. At 7.30 P. M. he was installed as pastor over the Goshen Church. The young pastor was cordially received by the people, among whom he is very popular.—*Central Presbyterian*.

—Rev. Bro. R. L. Telford, *Iota*, is Principal of the Lewisburg Female Institute, West Virginia, and under his direction it has become one of the very best institutions for young ladies in that State.

—Bro Harry Erwin, *Iota*, is now living at Elkins, West Va.

—Rev. Bro. Holmos Rolston, *Iota*, married Miss Jacquelin Campbell of Brownsburg, Va., September 25th, 1895. He is now stationed at Horton, Randolph Co, West Virginia, and has succeeded in erecting a new church building there.

—Bro. J. C. Dillon, *Pi*, is in Buena Vista, Va., in the office of the Iron Furnace Co., of that place.

—Bro L. P. Dillon, *Pi*, is in the Lime business at Indian Rock, Va.

—Bro. Milby Porter, *Pi*, is in the real estate business at Houston, Texas.

—Hon J. Alston Cabell, *Alpha*, entertained many of the members of the Legislature, and several of the city judges and attorneys at his home, No 817 West Grace Street, last night. Refreshments were served, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.—*Richmond Dispatch, December 17th.*

—Bro. L. D. Teakle Quinby, *Alpha*, has given up his law practice at Onancock, Va., and entered into a legal partnership with Bro. R. W. Grasty, also of *Alpha*, in Atlanta, Ga. Bro. Grasty was for some time in the law office of Caldemon Colaw Washington, D. C. The SHIELD AND DIAMOND wishes the highest measure of success to the firm.

Official Communication.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

To the several Chapters and Members of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Greeting :

It was my duty to have called the Convention of 1895, and nothing but the peculiar circumstances under which we were placed prevented this call from being sent out. You are well aware that every other interest of the Fraternity has been made subservient this past year to the revival and establishment of our SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

Our last Convention very *positively* decided that we should not issue another number of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND until we had sufficient funds in hand to insure its publication for a year. Therefore all moneys received into the treasury were set aside for this purpose. A natural consequence was that as late as December 15, 1895, the treasury had no funds to defray the expenses of the Grand Officers to the Convention. It was therefore deemed best not to issue the call for the Convention of 1895 unless the finances of the Fraternity were in better condition.

Be it said to the credit of Theta Chapter that it pledged itself, with the help of two other Chapters, to see that two of the officers reached the Convention. This liberal offer, however, reached me at such a late date that the final arrangements for the Convention could not be effected, although every effort was made.

The SHIELD AND DIAMOND is secured now, and this will prove more beneficial than many Conventions. May Pi Kappa Alpha come to the Convention in 1896 with bright hopes and earnest purposes, for all will be well.

Yours fraternally in the bonds,

H. B. ARBUCKLE,
Councilor Princeps.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 10, '96.

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILOR PRINCEPS.

To the Members of the Grand Council:

Very highly indeed have I valued the honor conferred on me and the confidence reposed in me, when you called me to this high office. You gave me a broader and nobler field in which to labor for the Fraternity.

I have no words to express to you the pleasure which I have found in the duties of my office. I have been brought into closer touch and dearer associations with the members and the Chapters of my Fraternity, and in future years I must look back with pride and true appreciation upon these relations which must ever be taken of the love and confidence which exist between us.

It is only with regret, then, that I must tender you my resignation, and I do it because it would be an injustice both to my Fraternity and to myself to attempt to perform the functions of this office when the pressure of my university duties denies me the time I would so gladly devote to my Fraternity.

During my term of office Pi Kappa Alpha has experienced reverses, but she has achieved many successes. Her Chapter roll has been strengthened, and at last the SHIELD AND DIAMOND has been placed on a firm basis. Then why should we falter, why turn back from the victory which awaits us? With the immortal words of Nelson as our motto, "England expects *every man* to do his duty," let's press on to victory.

The fair Southland has many a son who should wear the "Shield and Diamond."

Lift up your eyes and see the colleges in which Pi Kappa Alpha's banner has never been unfurled. What is your duty, my duty?

We are ready now to *advance*. Let our watchword for 1896 be more Chapters. Sound it in every Chapter's hall. Let its spirit grace every page of our SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

May our dear Fraternity be crowned with the laurels of richest success, and may she continue to ennoble and bless the youth who shall gather in the colleges in the land of her birth.

Yours faithfully in the bonds,

H. B. ARBUCKLE,

Councilor Princeps.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 10, '96.

OFFICIAL ORDER No II.

To the several Chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha, Greeting :

Your Councilmen, active and alumnus for 1896 should have been elected in October, 1895, according to the Constitution, and their names reported to the Grand Secretary. Many Chapters, however, have not reported the names of their Councilmen.

Please attend to this at once.

Yours faithfully,

H. B. Arbuckle, Councilor Princeps.

Jan. 10th, 1896.

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION, No. 4.

To the Members of the Grand Council of Pi Kappa Alpha :

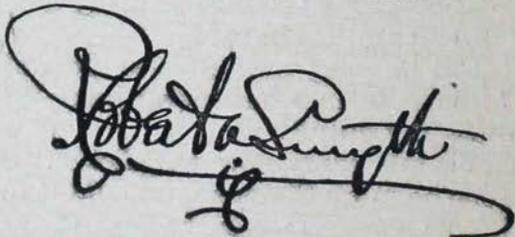
In accordance with Articles 61-63 of the Constitution, the following are nominated for the respective offices of Councilor Princeps and Grand Secretary.

To wit :

For Councilor Princeps R. R. Jones.

For Grand Secretary J. Gray McAllister.

Active and Alumni members of the Grand Council will prepare the ballots and forward same to me at once.



Grand Treasurer.

Editorial.

It is with great pleasure that we once more greet the members of Pi Kappa Alpha through the pages of their official Magazine. In assuming again our editorial duties, which are many and oftentimes arduous, we do so willingly for the sake of the Fraternity, believing that its interests will be best conserved and advanced by the regular publication of a Magazine.

It has been a serious drawback to the Fraternity that we were forced to discontinue the publication of our Magazine for the past twelve months. On account of the financial stringency of the times, which have been particularly stringent in the South, this step was necessary. Now, however, that we have revived our Magazine, we must not waste time in mourning over the past, but join hands in pressing on the good work for Pi Kappa Alpha, and rest not until she gains the place she should occupy as one of the leading Fraternities of the South.

To accomplish this end we must have the hearty co-operation of every member of the Fraternity, be he active member or Alumnus. The officers of the Fraternity are chosen to guide and shape her course. Under no circumstances should they be expected alone to do all the work!

Every Alumni and every Active Member should consider himself personally concerned in each branch of the work being conducted so as to advance the interests of the Fraternity, and lend his aid accordingly.

Naturally the burden of the work must be borne by the Active Members. *They are really the Fraternity.* We of the

Alumni, who have passed out of the Chapter door, and entered upon the battle of life, have far greater interests and duties upon us than the *active* work of the Fraternity. We do not imply from this that an Alumnus member should take *no* interest in his Fraternity! Far from it. But it must necessarily be a different interest from that of the Chapter member.

It was for this reason that in sending out, on September 30th, the prospectus for this year's Magazine, it was made plain that the Chapters must first raise the share apportioned to them, before the Alumni could be called upon. They have nobly come forward and raised the necessary sum. We now call upon the Alumni to lend us the aid which we not only expect, but justly claim, from them: That they subscribe to their Fraternity's official Magazine.

It is true that the Alumni have passed from active connection with the Fraternity, but not one whit the less should they be interested in it, and seek to know of its growth and status. This alone can be obtained through the pages of the official Magazine. We, therefore, ask the Alumni, one and all, to subscribe to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND. We can pledge them that six numbers will be mailed them for their subscription.

It is the duty of the Active Members of the Fraternity to make the SHIELD AND DIAMOND as interesting as possible, and have full and complete information in it concerning the Chapters and the Fraternity at large.

The Chapter letters are essentially the most important part of a Fraternity's Magazine. By their tone, the Fraternity as a whole, is judged. For, as we have said, the active men are really the Fraternity. As they picture themselves in their Chapter letters, so is the Fraternity of which they are members, judged. The Alumni naturally turn to these letters to learn of their old Chapters, and to see how the ranks have been filled. It behooves the Chapter correspondents, therefore, to take great pains with the letters. Not only as to the actual wording of them, but the writers should seek

always to give interesting news, which will show the standing of the Chapter in the College.

We earnestly request the Chapter correspondents to give careful consideration to this most important matter. Let them see that their Chapters are represented in each number of the Magazine by a well written letter, containing all the news about the Chapter, its surroundings and its members.

From our Alumni we would ask for letters giving Chapter reminiscences and stories of the Chapter days of long ago. In the recital of the many honors which Pi Kappa Alpha has won in the past, the present Active Members will find new incentives for striving to keep this bright escutcheon untarnished.

The personal notes concerning the members of the Fraternity are of great interest to all.

This department is in charge of Mr. J. Gray McAllister, our Grand Secretary, and we urge upon the members, whenever an item of news concerning a Brother *H* is brought to their attention, to forward it at once to the Magazine. If the item appears in a newspaper, clip it out paste it upon a postal and send it with the date and name of the paper, to Bro. McAllister.

Finally, we would again urge upon the Active and Alumni members, for their consideration, the time-proven axiom that "In union there is strength." Let us work together for the advancement of the Fraternity. Now that we have revived our SHIELD AND DIAMOND, let us see to it that never again will its publication be discontinued. For without the means of intercommunication, a Fraternity cannot possibly advance and grow. We need, not only financial support, but literary assistance, also.

The SHIELD AND DIAMOND extends best wishes to every member of Pi Kappa Alpha, wherever he be, for a bright, happy, and prosperous New Year.

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