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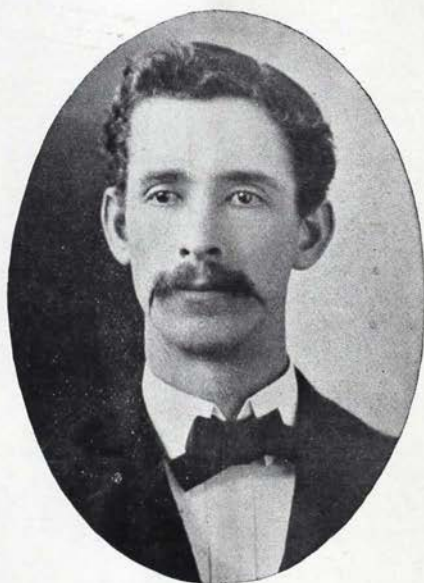
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## Contributions.

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### THE LITTLE PI MAID.

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Just standing alone in the moonlight,  
At the edge of the forest-glade,  
And watching the moonbeams kissing  
The lips of my little Pi maid;  
And watching the wood-lily fading  
On the breast that shall never fade;  
    The pure, white, wood-lily fading  
    On the breast that shall never fade.

Then I saw that her form was beautiful,  
And her heart was the heart of love;  
And I watched her dark eyes glisten  
Like the lights in God's home above;  
And I knew that her soul was moving,  
As the steps of the angels move;  
    Her pure, sweet soul was moving  
    As the steps of the angels move.

And from out the deep, dark forest  
Where earth's weird shadows gloom,  
Forth to the heaven-meadow  
Where God's sweet lilies bloom,  
We, arm in arm together,  
Some day shall wander home:  
    We, arm and arm together,  
    Some day shall wander home.

*Thornwell Jacobs, Mu.*

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### THE CONVENTION OF 1901.

Our Supreme Councilor had planned a Convention this year at the University of Virginia, which should be especially a celebration of the foundation of the Fraternity at the University in 1868. The outbreak of smallpox there forced us to abandon our plans. I know that all the Chapters have received this intelligence with disappointment. Our celebration at the great Virginia University has been abandoned for the present, but Pi Kappa Alpha is in need of the most earnest and enthusiastic Convention ever called together. It must be a Convention that will bring a great *awakening* throughout the Chapters. This Convention must be held just at this juncture in our affairs. So many Chapters have recently rallied to the work of the Fraternity that we can't miss the opportunity of installing their spirit into all the Chapters. Your Grand Officers feel encouraged and are anxious to see all our Chapters filled with enthusiasm while such a healthy state prevails in several of our Chapters. How can this be done except by gathering delegates from all our Chapters in a great Convention, where they may rub up against one another and catch that better spirit that will surely win its way among true Fraternity men?

Well, we are going to have such a Convention. We have turned to Charlotte, N. C., as the place that will serve us best for this Convention. We will find here one of our faithful Chapters that will very much strengthen our meeting. Beta Chapter will welcome her sister Chapters to Charlotte and will inspire many of our Chapters with fresh confidence as they come to know what she has accomplished.

This Convention cannot be largely attended by alumni, as we shall meet in a new field, where we have no old Chapters. It is, therefore, very important that we should have a full attendance of delegates. We want every Chapter represented at Charlotte. Our future success and development may depend largely upon the influences of this Convention. Select your delegates at once and, if you undertake no other work for the Fraternity this year, send your



representative to Charlotte to join in the deliberations that shall be for the advancement and the awakening of our Fraternity.

Yours in the bonds,

H. B. ARBUCKLE,

*Councilor Princeps.*

Decatur, Ga., February 15, 1901.

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**FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY.**

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About a year ago, when we met at Spartanburg, the delegates from Beta were enthusiastic in inviting the next Convention to meet with them, at Charlotte. It has been decided to meet there. I am impressed, as I have reason to believe are all of the other officers, that this should be a *great* meeting for II. K. A. Brethren we *must* have a good delegation there! Get together now, and prepare to send your best man as a delegate, and let us have a meeting that shall accomplish still greater results for our Fraternity. Every time we meet, we are stronger. Last year we began some excellent movements that have done great good. This year we must continue to grow stronger by undertaking work along new lines. We must keep up the progressive spirit that has recently manifested itself within our borders.

Now there is not a Chapter that cannot send a man. Chip in, boys, and send *at least* one delegate. You can do it, if you want to. Let's have a full representation.

*J. Pike Powers, Jr.,*

*Grand Secretary.*

Knoxville, February 20, 1901.



**PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS OF GENERAL  
ROBERT E. LEE.**

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BY PROF. EDWARD S. JOYNES, A. M., LL. D.

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Professor Edward S. Joynes, who occupies the chair of Modern Languages at the South Carolina College, Columbia, S. C., during 1866 to 1870, occupied the same position in Washington College, now Washington and Lee University, Virginia, while Gen. Robert E. Lee was President. By special request the following article was written for "*The State*," Columbia, S. C., and is republished herewith by special permission of Prof. Joynes, a member of our Xi Chapter.

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"It is a pleasure to me to dwell upon reminiscences of General Lee, but they cannot always be recalled at will. I often feel that I did not sufficiently appreciate at the time the privilege of living so near to such a man, as indeed other privileges of life in Lexington at that time. Such a society has hardly ever been anywhere gathered together. Those were golden days, whose value we did not sufficiently feel until they were past and gone. Now many facts that would have been of great value are forgotten. Hence my interest in every effort to record such as may be gathered.

My recollections shall be chiefly of General Lee as a College President. It is as such that he is chiefly present to my memory—always for admiration, sometimes for contrast with later experiences. As I am asked for facts or incidents, I will not enlarge upon the quiet dignity and patience with which he always presided over our often wordy and tedious meetings, his perfect impartiality and unwearied courtesy, his manifest effort to sink his own personality, as if to minimize the influence which he knew attached to his own views, and to leave to the faculty as a body, and to each member of it, the fullest sense of authority and independence. Indeed, nowhere else in all my

wide experience, have I found so much of personal dignity and influence attached to the professorship as at Lexington, and this was largely due to the courtesy and deference with which Gen. Lee treated the faculty, and every member of it, in both official and private relations. Yet, not the less, on those rare occasions when it became necessary, did he assert the full measure of his authority. He rarely spoke in faculty meeting, and then only at the close of debate — usually to restate the question at issue, seldom with any decided expression of his own opinion or wish. I may mention a few facts which now occur to me.

Of incidents occurring in the meeting of the faculty I recall only a few. I remember on one occasion a professor quoted a certain regulation in the by-laws. Another replied that it had become a dead letter. "Then," said Gen. Lee, "let it be repealed. A dead letter inspires disrespect for the whole body of laws." On another occasion a professor appealed to precedent, and added, "We must not respect persons." Gen. Lee at once replied: "In dealing with young men I always respect persons, and care little for precedent."

Gen. Lee always asked each Professor for a written report, at the close of each session, on his own department. These reports he enclosed, with his own report, to the Board of Trustees, with comment, if necessary. Thus each Professor had, through this channel, direct access to the Board, and had no temptation to seek any other. When the Board met, Gen. Lee submitted his report, and always retired to his own office to await the pleasure of the Board.

When Gen. Lee became President of Washington College, it had been required that students should occupy the College dormitories; only a few of the older students were permitted to lodge in town. Gen. Lee reversed this rule. As a measure of discipline it was required that all students board and lodge in the families of the town; to lodge in the dormitory was accorded as a privilege. He said the young boys needed the influence of family life; the dormitories he regarded as offering temptations to license. The result vindicated the wisdom of his view.



In dealing with the young men Gen. Lee had a truly marvelous success. The students fairly worshipped him, and deeply dreaded his displeasure; yet so kind, gentle and affable was he toward them that all loved to approach him. Still, an official summons to his office struck terror even into the most hardened. Each member of the faculty submitted a weekly report of the attendance and standing of each student. These reports were minutely inspected by Gen. Lee, and every delinquent was invited to an interview. Thus he kept in close touch with all the classes. Especially no unexcused absence was overlooked. His reception of the delinquent varied "from grave to gay," according to the circumstances. I may give an instance of each, from personal knowledge. A young fellow, whose general record was none too good, was summoned to answer for absence. He stated his excuse, and then, hesitatingly, he added another and another. "Stop Mr. —," said Gen. Lee, "one good reason should be sufficient to satisfy an honest mind," with an emphasis on the word "honest," that spoke volumes. Another, an excellent student, now a distinguished lawyer in Tennessee, was once beguiled into an unexcused absence. The dreaded summons came. With his heart in his boots he entered Gen. Lee's office. The General met him smiling, "Mr. M., I am glad to see you are better." "But, General, I have not been sick." "Then I am glad to see you have better news from home." "But General, I have had no bad news." "Ah," said the General, "I took it for granted that nothing less than sickness or distressing news from home could have kept you from your duty." Mr. M. told me, in relating this incident, that he then felt as if he wished the earth to open and swallow him. To a recalcitrant student who was contending for what he thought his rights as a man, I once heard Gen. Lee say: "Obedience to lawful authority is the foundation of a manly character"—in those very words.

On rare occasions of disorder, actual or threatened, Gen. Lee would post a manuscript address to students on the



bulletin board. These were known among the boys as his "General Orders." They never failed of their effect. No student would have dared to violate General Lee's express wish or appeal—if one had done so, the students themselves would have driven him from the college. Under such an influence, I do not believe any college in the world, of so many students, ever exhibited such admirable behavior, with so few breaches of discipline, as did Washington College from 1865 to 1870. This period is still remembered as the golden age in the life of every man who was there and had the privilege of such association. Of these "general orders" I have one, issued on a special occasion of impending disorder, which gives a most interesting view of Gen. Lee's mode of dealing with such dangers. The original was presented by Gen. Lee himself to Mrs. Joynes, who copied it for him, and has ever since hung, framed, in my study. It is as follows :

Washington College, 26 Nov., 1866.

The faculty desires to call the attention of the students to the disturbances which occurred in the streets of Lexington on the nights of Friday and Saturday last. They believe that none can contemplate them with pleasure, or can find any reasonable grounds for their justification. These acts are said to have been committed by students of the college with the apparent object of disturbing the peace and quiet of a town whose inhabitants have opened their doors for their reception and accommodation, and who are always ready to administer to their comfort and pleasure.

It requires but little consideration to see the error of conduct which could only have proceeded from thoughtlessness and a want of reflection. The faculty therefore appeal to the honour and self-respect of the students to prevent any similar occurrence, trusting that their sense of what is due to themselves, their parents and the institution to which they belong, will be more effectual in teaching them what is right and manly than anything they can say.

There is one consideration connected with these disorderly proceedings which the faculty wish to bring to your particular notice: the example of your conduct, and the advantage taken of it by others, to commit outrages for which you have to bear the blame. They therefore exhort you to adopt the only course capable of shielding you from such charges: the effectual prevention of all such occurrences in future.

R. E. LEE,

Pres. W. C.

I wish to add one other important fact, illustrating Gen. Lee's view of discipline, in a case of frequent occurrence. He held idleness to be not a negative, but a positive vice. It often happened that the plea was made that an idle student was doing no harm and indirectly deriving benefit, etc., etc. Gen. Lee said: "No. A young man is always doing something; if not good, then harm to himself and others." So that merely persistent idleness was with him always sufficient cause for dismissal. This is an important question which often arises in all colleges. I thought it worth while to add Gen. Lee's explicit opinion thereon (in which my own experience concurs).

Gen. Lee's ideal of education was the training of manly character, and that, for him, meant Christian character. To a venerable minister of Lexington, he said: "I shall be disappointed, sir—I shall fail in the leading object that brought me here—unless these young men all become consistent Christians." When he came to Lexington the old President's house was in a sadly dilapidated condition. The Trustees desired to build at once a suitable house for the President's residence. But Gen. Lee insisted that the first money collected should be devoted to building a chapel; and he would not allow the President's house to be begun until the chapel had been completed and furnished—that chapel beneath which now rests his own beautiful mausoleum. Here daily religious services were held at an early hour by the ministers of Lexington in rotation—but not on Sunday, for Gen. Lee preferred that the students should go to the church of their parents in the town.



These morning services, at all seasons, and in all weather, Gen. Lee never failed to attend. But he was impatient of long prayers. One cold morning he said to Prof. W—, as they came out of the chapel, "Professor, don't you think Brother — might pay a little more respect to the state of the thermometer?"

It was an inspiring sight to see the General—the image of personal beauty, grace and dignity, and always clad in the perfection of elegant simplicity—as he walked about the campus, looking after college affairs—to the wood-yard as well as the chapel—no item of business was too small for his attention. In the afternoon his favorite exercise was riding on his old war horse, Traveller. Then his favorite companion was Professor White, himself a splendid giant of manly beauty. To see these two men, gauntleted, booted and spurred, on their superb horses, was a sight worth a journey to Lexington. I have in my possession a photograph (presented to me by the famous artist, Miley), of Gen. Lee preparing to mount Traveller, which has never been copied, and is in my opinion the finest view ever taken of the man and the horse.

General Lee had very well defined opinions on educational subjects. In quoting some of these it might perhaps be unjust to apply them to present conditions, which of course, could not then be foreseen. He was a strong advocate of practical, even technical education, as was shown by his own plans for Washington College. (I have heretofore related in *The State* how he insisted that I should add Spanish to the course of study in modern language); but he was equally firm in his support of training studies and liberal culture. I have often heard him say it had been his life-long regret that he had not completed his classical education (in which, however, he had a respectable scholarship) before going to West Point. Also he did not believe in separate technical schools, but thought "that scientific and professional studies could best be taught when surrounded by the liberalizing influence of a literary institution." Hence he sought to unite all



these in the development of Washington College." Had he lived to execute his plans he would have developed a manifold yet rounded institution far in advance of the educational thought of that day. Especially Gen. Lee did not believe in a military education for others than army officers. Military education, he used to say, is an unfortunate necessity for the soldier, but the worst possible preparation for civil life. "For many years," he said, "I have observed the failure in business pursuits of men who have resigned from the army. It is very rare that any one of them has achieved success." Hence he emphatically rejected the suggestion, made soon after his call to the Presidency, of converting Washington College into a military school.

A signal proof of Gen. Lee's kindness of heart is the fact that, though he had once determined to write *Memoirs of the Army of Northern Virginia*; (after the model, perhaps, of his father's "*Memoirs of the war of '76*," of which he prepared a new edition the year before his death), and had begun to collect material for the work, he afterwards deliberately surrendered this purpose, for the reason, as I heard him state it, that "if he wrote the whole truth, he would have to cause too much pain." Some of these materials, as gathered from his great lieutenants and others, were in his desk at the time of his death, and may yet, perhaps, become available for future publication.

An incident personal to myself, may close these recollections. All of us were of course glad to be of service to General Lee. Being a "ready writer," I often assisted him in his heavy correspondence. On one occasion he gave me an important letter, which he wished to be answered with unusual care. I took it home, and of course did my very best. When I returned it he read it carefully once; then took his pen, and began to read it again. "Professor," said he, "this is very good, but suppose we strike out a few adjectives and adverbs," then handing it back: "Now," said he, "if you will kindly copy it" I found that the General had simply struck out every unnecessary

word, leaving the sense unchanged, but improved. I have never forgotten that lesson: it has had important influence on my own style, and a hundred times I have quoted it in teaching.

One incident finally, which I witnessed, illustrating the General's playful humor. A new road-way of broken stone had just been laid through the college grounds. Col. J. T. L. Preston, then Professor in the Military Institute, came riding through on his way to town. As the stones were new and rough, the Colonel rode alongside on the grass. As he passed where the General was standing, he halted for a talk. General Lee putting his arm affectionately around the horse's neck and patting him, said: "Colonel, this is a beautiful horse; I am sorry he is so tender-footed that he avoids our new road." Afterwards Col. Preston always rode on the stone-way.

Other anecdotes, equally illustrative, might easily be added, but I have preferred to confine myself to purely personal recollections.

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*REV. C. C. OWEN, M. D.*

The subject of this sketch was born in Halifax county, Va., and was descended from one of those sturdy, God-fearing families that did so much to make the history of old Virginia famous.

He came to Hampden-Sidney College in the fall of 1883 a tall, slender boy of quiet manner and earnest purpose. He soon took a high stand among his classmates, and from the very first formed some warm friendships among those who knew him best. He found no Fraternity in the college that met his standard during his first years, but in his senior year, when the Iota Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was founded there, two or three of Clem's closest friends were the charter members, and it was not strange that he should have been one of the first initiates of that Chapter. It was in the spring of 1886 that I was



honored by being asked to join this Chapter, and it was then that I came to know this noble-hearted fellow. He was a senior and I, was a freshman, which generally means that there is a gulf fixed, which the Freshman dare not cross, but I found that this Senior was the kindest fellow to freshmen I had ever known, and it is no wonder that I was drawn to Clem. He was the best natured man in the Chapter, and he was sorely tried by the teasing of some of those Pis. I remember one thing in particular which gave those fellows a handle for many a joke on Clem. He did love sardines as much as any one I ever saw, and had fine capacity for disposing of them and similar dishes that figured at those never-to-be-forgotten Fraternity "eats." The boys never tired of using this fact in teasing Clem. They used to write his name Clam Crab Owen. I never saw Clem out of humor with his brothers, as long as the clams and sardines held out.

During this year Clem served his Chapter as the Recorder of Minutes, and as he wrote a fine hand, we used to point to his part of the record book with pride. His farewell address to his Chapter was never delivered publicly, but we found it recorded in chaste and beautiful language over his last signature in our minute book. I commend it to the members of Iota, who now have access to that book. May they all be filled with the same sentiments and feelings, when they are called to leave their Chapter, as prompted Clem to pen those farewell words!

In June of 1886 he graduated with third honor in a very remarkable class, and at the Commencement delivered the Philosophical Oration.

Soon after graduation Clem was moved to prepare himself for the ministry, and returned to old Union Seminary to study theology. He was, while there, I think, called to the work as a missionary, and at once took the sound position that a missionary, to be practical, should go to the unenlightened prepared to minister to their bodily ailments as well as to the ailments of the soul. He therefore determined to take the best medical course that he could find, and



with this in view went to the University of Virginia, where I was pleased to find him when I dropped down there to study chemistry in 1894. We were close friends there, and I feel that my being with him has made me a better man. He was certainly a consecrated Christian, and seemed to be planning all the time to use his leisure hours in uplifting his classmates.

After graduation at the University of Virginia he went to New York for a year's work in one of the leading medical colleges, where he had the advantage of a thorough course in hospital work.

Thus equipped Clem went forth to Korea, one of our most promising missionary fields, and is now located at Mokpo. It is needless to say that the earnest spirit that always characterized him has brought him rich success in this missionary work. We, his brothers of Iota, should cherish his memory and follow him in this distant land with our sincere sympathy and prayers.

Just across the arm of the sea in Japan is "Billy Buck"hanan, one of the very fellows that used to help us destroy sardines at those "eats" in the dear old Chapter hall of Iota in Clem's day. I hope Clem can get over to see him occasionally, and with him recall the memories of the old college days that brought us three together.

H. B. Arbuckle.

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## CHAPTER SELFISHNESS.

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Loyalty to one's Chapter is a fine quality in any Pi, and it is safe to say that not a member fails in that particular. But there is a very grave fault in our Fraternity, which I have observed with some wonder and surprise. This fault is a sort of *Chapter Selfishness*, which cannot be laid at the door of any individual, but which is chargeable to the Chapter as a whole. When a man is initiated he is not told enough about the Fraternity at large, altho' he may be instructed in the Constitution, but is impressed with the

prime importance of *that one Chapter* and urged to strive to gain honor for that Chapter's sake. Then the initiate very slowly learns about the other Chapters and about the general workings of the Fraternity. The result is that in many cases we have a set of men who are not in sympathy with the purposes of the Supreme Council, only a few of the older members understanding the necessity of the demands made upon them.

Of course, the Fraternity is known largely through its Chapters and it is very commendable for each member to try to make his Chapter a shining light, (would that there was a greater spirit of rivalry among us.) But in the zeal displayed for the Chapter, the demands of the Fraternity are forgotten or ignored. It is very well to be known as a Chapter which can give elegant receptions and then be known as a leader. But in doing this should we so exhaust our finances that when an appeal comes from the General Office, we feel it an imposition that we must pay our dues and subscriptions to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND? I venture to say that there are very few Chapters which send money to the General Office with as much willingness as they show in paying a bill, perhaps larger, for their individual enjoyment. And there are men in every Chapter who can and do write, who never dream of helping Brother Smyth out by sending in an article for our periodical. The members think their duty is done when they elect a Chapter Correspondent, and he, as I know from experience, is frequently the only man in the Chapter who is willing to undertake the arduous (?) duty. And how often the one appointed lets the time slip up on him, and then he says it is all a bore, and he hurriedly dashes off something that does not represent what he really can do in the epistolary line.

It was a good suggestion that each Chapter send in an article every time in addition to the letter. But how many of us have acted upon the suggestion? I confess with shame that Alpha Chapter passed the suggestion by, after merely saying that it was "a good thing." To have some one appointed this time, Brother Smyth had to write us a



letter with tears in its eyes. A man was appointed, but he failed to comply, and so the present writer had to assume the duty. Now I do not believe that Alpha Chapter is much worse than the others, or much better either, and what exists here I know exists in three other Chapters and very likely in all. Now if this does not apply to your Chapter I do not mean you, but you are the best judge of whether it does apply. All our Chapters are at fault in this particular, and it is due each other and due our Supreme Council that we put aside this unreasonable selfishness and pull together, *not for one Chapter, but for Pi Kappa Alpha as well*. I think that Alpha is awakening to this need and that in future she will not be so self-centered.

Our Councilor Princeps has very ably dealt with the matter of extension, and our selfishness in that line. So what I want to especially emphasize is our selfish carelessness in the matter of paying our dues and contributing to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND. Of course, sometimes there is delay in the collection of the money and frequently the members are not able to pay early in the year. But very frequently the dues are not sent in on time because it is partially a matter of indifference whether the money goes in on time or not, and unless a hustler is in charge of the finances, and persists in his demands, and almost takes the money away, so that he is regarded as something of a robber, the amount is liable not to be sent in at all until a letter comes telling us that the money is sorely needed. And perhaps at the very same time we are spending as much money in pleasures, the denial of which would not materially damage our happiness. And it is just as much our duty as it is Brother Smyth's to make each issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND a success. It is enough to ask him to manage and edit it, without writing a good portion of it as well.

Would it not be a great improvement if we see that our Chapter letters are in on time? I acknowledge that mine was not this time. And would it not be a great relief to our long suffering Brother Smyth if each Chapter contribu-

ted an article? Very likely there are a number in the Fraternity who every month write for College periodicals. Why cannot some of these help? Your duty is greater toward the SHIELD AND DIAMOND than toward your College publication! Let us all feel that it is *our* publication and that *we are responsible*, as we in fact are. There is no reason why we cannot improve our publication and at the same time relieve Brother Smyth of the worry.

The problem of securing the finances in time has been partially solved by the appointment of a Deputy Treasurer. Would it not be well at the next Convention to elect some active man to assist Brother Smyth in getting up matter and in securing the letters on time? Let us think of these things and improve our conduct and do away with this Chapter Selfishness.

*Jack P. Montgomery, Alpha.*



## Chapter Letters.

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### ALPHA.

*University of Virginia.*

Alpha is glad to again greet her sister Chapters and to express the fervent hope that they have made more progress than she can record. Since our last writing we have not been able to make very great progress, since we have had many interruptions. First came a lot of examinations, (more or less useless), then the holidays, then the unenthusiastic return to our arduous duties, and after that, to cap the climax, came the terrible small-pox scare, with the contingent of sore arms, quarantines, fumigations, theories, etc., etc.

But to take things in order: We all hope that we made our examinations all right. But Brother Newcomb, in a fit of preoccupation, having written one of his examinations, forgot all about having done so, and wrote it over again. Both papers were handed in. Now Brother Newcomb "corked" on the first effort and "curled" on the second, and the Professor cannot decide whether he made the examination or not.

Brother Stewart was not with us at that trying time, since he made a pilgrimage to Washington to consult various rare "volumes of forgotten lore" in the effort to find out something about Edgar Allen Poe, which was not already known here. Perhaps you do, and perhaps you do not know, that, since time has made the perspective of the past very dim indeed, our savants here see a halo of glory about the head of Poe, our honored alumnus. And Brother Stewart very naturally sought to add to the already alarming array of facts presented to us and appealing for our belief. One of the things he discovered was the verse:

"Ah, Love! could thou and I with Fate conspire,  
To grasp this sorry scheme of things entire,  
Would we not shatter it to bits—and then  
Remold it nearer to the heart's desire."

He learned that Poe wrote the above at the age of seven and that he spelled "Fate" with a small "f," and made up for that lapse by giving a good sprinkling of capitals in the other lines. Now this was indeed a great discovery, and we all rejoiced until we learned that the verse was written by Mr. Omar Khayyam several centuries before Poe was born!

Brother Jones spent his holiday in parts unknown. He mysteriously disappeared about the middle of December, and was seen no more until the first week in January. We all have grave suspicions and theories, but the consensus of opinion is that there is a widow in the case, and that about next July we may have to go down into our pockets for wedding presents. We are all anxious for the position of "best man," but have apprehensions that Brother Jones will not take us into his confidence to that extent.

Something must have happened to Brother Robertson also, for he was caught in the act of purchasing a most elaborate valentine. A green moon floated in a pink sky and shone upon a couple strolling upon a purple meadow. Below the picture was written in ornate style:

"My Love! I swear by yonder moon,  
My love can never falter  
And if you do not love me soon  
I'll be a defunct Walter."

Recently we have all been somewhat alarmed over a small-pox scare, which has now disappeared. At first the alarm was great and the medical men were happy, for they had a chance to slash the arms of the students, and so secure some practice. For two weeks whenever a man wanted to "cut lecture," he chose that time to be vaccinated. It is a recorded fact that during those two weeks, Brother Egan had sixteen lectures and his arm shows fifteen scars!



We all had sore arms, and went about with crepe on our sleeves and were ever ready to say "Look out for my vaccination."

We are all beginning to talk base-ball now, and before long the team will be called out for first practice. At this time it is hard to say what we will do, but our hopes are high and we expect to acquit ourselves creditably.

We are all looking forward to the coming Convention with a great deal of interest, and hope that our Supreme Councilor will see fit to call it here. If the Convention is held in Charlottesville we will extend our welcome ahead of time with the hope that every Chapter will be well represented, and that the Convention will be enjoyable and profitable. If any one desires any information we will do what we can to give it. The writer's address is Box 61, Univ. Station, Charlottesville, Va.

We have not secured any more goats, but hope to do so in the near future, as we have some good material in view. As is well known, this is an unfavorable season for goats, so we offer no apology for our failure to capture any.

With best wishes to our sister Chapters,

*Jack P. Montgomery.*

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### **BETA.**

*Davidson College.*

Since our last letter we have stood our exams. enjoyed our holidays and returned to work. Every one on the campus seems to be hard at work, and nothing unusual has happened to break the quiet of our life except on January 24th, when Davidson suffered from the severest fire she has ever known.

The fire started in a livery stable and this, with three stores, was entirely destroyed before the united efforts of the College boys and the men of the town could check the progress of the flames.

We had the pleasure of having Dr. J. R. Howerton and

Dr. Geo. Summey with us for a day or so a few weeks ago. Dr. Summey was one of Beta's original charter members.

We take pleasure in noting the progress which the last issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND shows that our Fraternity has made. We gladly welcome our new sister from the "Blue Grass Regions," may she ever uphold the high standard of her State.

Beta honored herself with a "midnight dinner" last night and as a result some of our brothers wear a rather careworn expression this morning. Brother Dunn, after due consideration, has arrived at the conclusion that three kinds of meat, pickles and fruit, eaten after 12:30 at night (in the morning, rather), is conducive neither to sleep nor digestion. *We agree with him.*

The Juniors are all looking forward (with various feelings) to Junior Orations, which take place on February 22nd. Brother T. P. Bagby will represent II. K. A. on this occasion. Can't we join hands in the work of Chapter extension and enlarge our Fraternity? The example has been given us and we hope all the Chapters will endeavor to keep up the good work.

We close with best wishes to our sister Chapters.

*Ralph C. Deal.*

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### GAMMA.

*William and Mary College.*

Christmas holidays are over. Examinations are on. Everybody in the Chapter is hard at work. This is the sum of events of the past month and now.

We have not the pleasure of reporting an initiation at this writing. We have been keeping our eyes opened, and at present they are fastened on a man or so. The "shaggy animal" will be soon brought into active service again. When it does come off we have several cherished little plans that will be brought off. All the Brothers are active and enthusiastic.

Our new gymnasium has been completed and is being furnished now with the latest improved apparatus. From



the expressions generally heard there will be numbers of athletes turned out therefrom before next June. This is one of the greatest of the many improvements made here this year. Its influence will doubtless make itself felt in the future prospectus of the College.

As the time approaches for the opening of the base-ball season much interest is being manifested in the selection of the team. We have very few of last year's nine back, but doubtless among the new men will be found several good players. Anyhow a strong effort will be made to keep ahead of our rivals, Richmond, Randolph-Macon, and Hampden-Sidney Colleges. Gamma is represented by your scribe as manager of our team, and Brother McCandlish as the reliable short-shop. Several of the other Brothers are putting forth their best efforts to win fame on the diamond.

The Brothers after their turn in the "rushing" season for new men, were so well pleased that they turned their attention to "rushing calico." Brother Bohannon has made himself famous in this latter line. He likes to see the shining moon at 12 and 1 o'clock A. M. Brothers Blackiston and Lamb give him close seconds in this particular pastime.

Space must be taken to speak of the magnificent feast given to the IIs on the first of this month by Brother Garrett. It came in the form of a large box from home. Surely it must be a nice country to live in where such nice things are to be found.

We like again to voice the sentiments of our Supreme Officers toward expansion. Now some work has been done, let us keep it up. Let not the call go by unnoticed. Every active Brother arouse himself and show that he appreciates the efforts of our leaders in our behalf. We expect soon to announce the organization of a new Chapter in Virginia.

We hope the Convention will be held at the University of Virginia. We will have at least one man there, and probably two.

With best wishes to all the sister Chapters.

*C. Vernon Spratley.*

**ZETA.***University of Tennessee.*

Since the last issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, Zeta has been most successful in securing two of the best men in College this year.

As the result we wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large, Brother W. M. Cox, of Louisville, Tenn. and Brother T. C. Allen, of Chattanooga, Tenn. Both of these men are in the law department, and bid fair to carry off honors.

This gives Zeta a membership of six Brothers this year, with which we can easily get along.

Base-ball season will soon be here, and Zeta will be well represented on the Varsity team.

At present things are very dull on the old "Hill," and therefore the writer is unable to make this letter of any interest whatever to the different Chapters and men, except he feels sure the different Chapters will learn with pleasure of Zeta's fortune in securing two such men as Brothers W. M. Cox and T. C. Allen.

*C. R. Harrison.*

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**THETA.***Southwestern Presbyterian University.*

Again we greet our sister Chapters through the mail. Theta is still pursuing the even tenor of her way through the conflicts of College life. Some few days ago "Old Billy" was called upon to perform the arduous task of bearing a burden across the mysterious boundaries of Greekdom. We wish to introduce to the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity Brother Enoch Bledsoe Stephenson of Columbia, Tenn. There is no doubt that "*Adlai*" will prove a worthy addition to our noble Order. Our family circle now numbers eight. All the Brothers seem to be carrying out their New Year's resolutions of studying. They are applying themselves to their tasks real creditably.

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association Brother



McFadden was elected Captain of the Track Team. "Mac" is our "good all round Brother." He has a peerless record in athletics, and especially in foot-ball. We discussed at our last meeting the place for our next Convention, and decided that the plan for holding it at the University of Virginia was an admirable one—this being the place of our birth.

The suggestion made in the SHIELD AND DIAMOND that each Chapter should in addition to their letter, write an article on some line of Fraternity work met with general approval among the Brothers. So we have decided that an extra article shall be written for each publication of our magazine. If all the Chapters would pursue this plan we would have an up-to-date magazine. We hail with delight the news of the recent expansion, and only hope to hear of more in the near future. Theta suggests that the University of Arkansas would be an excellent place for the Committee to turn their attention to.

It has a roll of four to five hundred students, and there are only two Frats. there. This would undoubtedly prove a successful undertaking, as it is a very favorable place indeed.

We wish our sister Chapters much success in their undertakings and hope that the Expansion Committee will take some action in the placing of a Chapter at the University of Arkansas.

*B. H. Mooney.*

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#### **IOTA.**

*Hampden-Sidney College.*

It is with pleasure that Iota read in the last SHIELD AND DIAMOND of the bright outlook of the sister Chapters. In all that concerns the welfare of the general Fraternity she feels much interest. In point of attendance, Hampden-Sidney has not as many students as usual, still among the new men there was good material, and in the men secured Iota believes she has cause to feel special pride.

Search where you please. and you will not find a band

more congenial than the nine who compose our Chapter.

In literary work our men take active parts, having men in both Literary Societies. For the Philanthropic Brother Jones will do the honors as Senior Orator at the approaching Intermediate celebration. Brother Hooper is one of the sub-professors, and is also gymnasium instructor.

It is very gratifying to learn of the success which Brothers Davis and Jones, '00, are each meeting in their further studies.

The news that Brother F. F. Jones, '96, has had to temporarily abandon his work at Union Academy was received with pain, and we trust his health will permit him to return soon to his work.

Brother Asa D. Watkins, '94, was here in January on a sad mission indeed—to attend the burial of a beloved sister.

With best wishes for our sister Chapters,

*Hugh Maffitt McAllister.*

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### **KAPPA.**

*Kentucky University.*

For the second time young Kappa comes forward to greet her sisters, and with this greeting expresses a hope—yes, even an anticipation—that the year upon which we have just entered will witness a greater progress in the Fraternity's growth than any previous year.

Each month rolls back the curtains of a new scene on the II. K. A. stage; must the old players stand alone upon "the boards?"

Let it be the earnest hope and the goal of every Pi's ambition that each scene will bring to view new players. In only one way can this be accomplished, and that is by responding to the call of our Grand Treasurer and planting our banners upon other heights. Many Southern Colleges stand ready to receive us; Kentucky opens to us a rich field, with only one Chapter. But ere this goes to press Kappa hopes to be able to report the birth of an-



other in the State. We are also preparing to make an effort to raise II. K. A. banner in another College of the State, so if we get these two Chapters it will give us good standing in Kentucky.

Kappa feels just a little proud to report that since our last issue she has initiated four men, making her number twelve.

Holton O. Frank, Poplar Plains, Ky.; Loornis Blanton, Louisville, Ky.; Alfred C. Zembrod, Lexington, Ky., and Herbert Martin, Montague Bridge, P. E. I.

We are especially fortunate in adding these names to our list, the last two of whom are Professors in Kentucky University and men of prestige in the educational world, both being identified with national educational organizations.

Our of our most popular men, a charter member of this Chapter, Brother Walter Jennings, leaves next week to make his home in Texas, and altho' we regret to lose him we are proud to know that "Westward Kappa takes her way," and that soon, even in the Lone Star State, II. K. A. will be represented by one who, wherever he may go, will reflect honor upon his Fraternity. We are glad to report the recovery of Brother C. N. Williams from typhoid fever. He has again taken up his work in the University,—and elsewhere *i. e.* girlology—and his health is entirely restored.

We shall look forward to our Convention, when we hope to shake hands with our sister Chapters, at least through representatives.

*Homer W. Carpenter.*

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**MU.**

*Presbyterian College of South Carolina.*

Very few changes have taken place in our regular routine of affairs, nothing that would mar the beauty of our sublime existence since we last communicated with our sister Chapters. Undoubtedly it is true, that the month of January should be considered as the quietest month of the season in the life of the student, from the fact that he looks

on the pleasures and festivities of the Christmas holidays and the happy hours spent at home with his mother, (or cousin), as a thing of the past, and facing him, he sees and dreams of the Intermediate Examinations that so soon he is to meet in hand to hand conflict. But of course the Pis are always successful, at least that is what Brothers Fewell and Alexander tell us, and they certainly ought to know all about it.

We had the pleasure of enjoying a short visit, a few days since, from Rev. F. Cornwell Jennings, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Germantown, Pa. Cornie is a graduate of 1891.

The majority of players on the base-ball team will be members of Mu, and from the present outlook we intend to put out a strong team this season. Have already arranged games with Clemson, Newberry, and Charleston Colleges. We are anxious to meet Davidson College, our sister Presbyterians of North Carolina, where our Brothers of Beta are so comfortably situated.

Brother Fewell has made things lively in foot-ball for the past few months. He seems to be the "Rose" of the players, but don't tell him so.

At present an epidemic of grippe is on the rounds at the dormitory, and as a result about three-fourths of the students are confined to their rooms. Only seven of our boys are so unfortunate as to be in that number. We hope that only a few *aches* and *groans* may fall to their lot.

We have not heard the final decision as to the place and time of the coming Convention, but whatever the sentence may be let us have every Chapter represented, and thus give Pi Kappa Alpha a push for her future success.

Brother Stephenson, our official correspondent, being on the sick list, accounts for the shortness of our letter, but we send best wishes to all Officers and Chapters.

*T. Ellison Simpson.*



*NU.**Wofford College.*

It is always a pleasure to the fellows to see the alternate months approach as we feel that there is a feast of good things in store for us, in reading the Chapter letters, and the contributions, and learning how dear old II. K. A., that we all love so much, is getting on. There is an inspiration in this closer touch that we feel by this interchange of our various experiences, and every man in the whole Fraternity should read carefully every word.

We have, after the holidays, settled down to routine work once again, and are getting in trim for the five months home stretch. Some of our Brothers left their hearts in the possession of fair ones during the holidays, and have been looking part of the time as blue as can be, but time will help them, and the home-going in June will be all the sweeter.

We regret very much the loss of two of our members since Xmas. Brother Rogers did not return to College, and in the last few days Brother R. E. Mathias, familiarly known to all of us as "Doctor," one of our staunch old members, a man who stood at the head of the Junior class, has left us. "Doctor" has ever been one of our most loyal members, and we had expected great things from him in the social line, he being a man born to "sport," and it is with deep sorrow that we give him up. Our love and best wishes will ever be with him.

Since our last letter we have added a great deal to our house in the way of furniture, and outside improvements on the grounds, and we feel no hesitancy in saying that we have by far the nicest quarters of any Fraternity in College. II. K. A.'s head must be held up, in our State especially, where there is a strong feeling against Fraternities, and Nu is trying to do her full share.

All eyes are now toward the Anniversary celebration of the two societies on the 22nd of February. This is the greatest event of the season before Commencement, and is

eagerly looked forward to by the boys. The entire management of it is in the hands of Brother B. H. Brown, the efficient chairman of the Reception Committee of the two Societies, in whose hands it will be well cared for. Success is assured to anything of which he has charge. Brother Driggers represents the Preston Society as its Orator. He is a fine speaker, and we are expecting great things for Nu that night. The man who beats "Bob" will have to speak as he never spoke before.

Brother Auld and Brother Varner leave in a few days as delegates to the State Convention of the Y. M. C. A., which meets at Sumter. Brother Varner has also recently been elected Secretary of the Association for the ensuing year. They could not have laid their hands on a better, truer man.

Cold as it was "Billy" was brought from his stall a few weeks ago, and conducted into the mysteries of the Grecian life Mr. G. W. Greer, '03, Marion, S. C. He rode with all due courage; a ride that was attended by profuse perspiration, if not inspiration.

Brother Greer is going to make a loyal II., and we take great pleasure in introducing him to the Brothers.

We have already written more than we intended, but cannot close without congratulating Chi on her neat home. It is certainly a gratification to all of us to see them so well fixed up.

Nu sends, through me, love and greetings to all the sister Chapters. May this first year of the century be the grandest in our history.

*Marvin Auld.*

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### **RHO.**

*Cumberland University.*

At this time of the opening of the new century, Rho sends greetings to all her sister Chapters and wishes them great success in the future.

Rho has begun the century well by initiating several ex-



cellent men and there are strong probabilities that another will be taken into the fold very soon.

The first man initiated since our last letter was Brother L. B. McDonald, of Tennessee. He is a Freshman and hard student, sharing the honors of his class with Brother Keeton.

The next one to be initiated was Brother J. W. Haggard, from Texas. He is in the Junior Theological class, having taken the first honors of his class at Trinity University in the Lone Star State.

The last subject was Brother J. C. Orr, of Tennessee. He entered school at the beginning of the term and it is expected that he will do good work in his classes.

Rho was moved into handsomer and more convenient quarters. Through the kindness and generosity of Brothers H. H. Weir and R. R. Foster the Chapter rooms have been made more beautiful.

Rho regrets that the anniversary cannot be held at Charlottesville.

Inasmuch as Brother Weir was placed in a more responsible position, your humble servant was made correspondent. Brother Weir has been our excellent correspondent for three years.

As this letter is already lengthy, we bid you good-bye until our next letter.

*L. E. Wear.*

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### **SIGMA.**

*Vanderbilt University.*

Intermediate exams. are just over at Vanderbilt, and the usual order of things has been resumed. Base-ball and track practice will begin as soon as the weather will permit. Base-ball prospects are good, and most of last year's team are back, and among the new men is more than the usual good material. As for the Track, we have always had a very easy time in winning the championship, and so naturally expect to win it again this year.

Vanderbilt men were much wrought up over Casper Whitney's libelous article in *Outing* charging Southern Colleges with dishonesty and professionalism in foot-ball. The explanation he wished of the playing of two men on the 'Varsity, whom he charged had come out of the North at the eleventh hour, was entirely satisfactory to him, and he has admitted his mistake.

As the men had both been in the University since the first day of the term and neither had ever been farther north than Tennessee, we are inclined to believe that the report was concocted to injure our reputation by a certain so-called College. The report will not injure Vanderbilt in the South where her strenuous struggles for purity in athletics are known. We are not so well known in the other portions of the country, and for that reason we regret that Mr. Whitney published the report, especially since the very least of investigations would have convinced him of the utter falsity of the report.

"*The Vanderbilt Quarterly*" is the name of a new review to be published here by the Faculty and Graduate students. Brother Edwin Wiley is the managing Editor.

Brother J. W. Morton, Jr., has been elected to the Board of Editors of the '01 "*Comet*." The "*Comet*" is our annual. It is published by the Fraternities, but is heartily supported by all classes of students.

Brother Harrison, of Knoxville, formerly of the University of Tennessee spent a week or two in the city recently.

Charles A. Stainback.

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### UPSILON.

*Alabama Polytechnic Institute.*

Since the Christmas holidays Upsilon has been able to fulfill the promise made in her last letter, of bringing in two new men, and she takes this opportunity of introducing Brother B. R. Powell, of Montgomery, and Brother C. M. A. Rodgers, of Gainsville, Ala.

Most of us returned promptly after the holidays, and



at our first meeting all were present, except Brothers Carroll and Whitfield. Whitfield remained at home for some time, engaged in historical research. Now he has left us again, on the same work, he says, but it happens that he is to be in Mobile and New Orleans at the time of the Carnival. Brother Avery is also away enjoying the Carnival at his home in Pensacola.

During this term the number of students here has passed four hundred, for the first time in the history of the College. Of this number one hundred and thirty are Fraternity men, and of these *the best* eighteen wear II. badges.

The only events of general interest that have occurred during this term, are our class foot-ball games. We are just in the midst of these, two having already been played. In the first, the Seniors, champions of the last two years, defeated the Sophomores, and in the second the Juniors were victorious over the Freshmen. The winners play for the championship on the 22nd of February, and as both sides are sure of victory we expect an interesting game.

On the foot-ball field Upsilon is represented on "02" by B. W. Steele, at guard and on "03" by H. E. Davis, manager and full-back, and H. M. Yonge, end.

But we are represented elsewhere; in the Junior German Club, Brother Willis is secretary and in the Sophomore, Brother H. E. Davis is President.

Auburn's first Chapter house is now being built by the Kappa Alpha's. Their chapter here is twelve years older than Upsilon, but we do not intend to let that many years slip by us before giving Upsilon a home of her own.

We feel assured that our Supreme Councilor has acted wisely in giving up the proposed celebration at Charlottesville, though it must come as a great disappointment to Alpha Chapter and to those who intended to be present. The number from Upsilon would necessarily have been very small, because of the great distance. But we have yet the Convention, and that we may all, by determined and concerted action, make it a grand success, is the sincerest wish of Upsilon.

*J. E. Davis Yonge.*

**PHI.**

*Roanoke College.*

Good fortune and hard work has dispelled the gloom that hung over Phi during the first part of our session, and now everything as far as human eye can see points to a glorious and successful close for us.

Our intermediate "*Exams.*" are now over and we can all breathe a little more freely than before.

It gives us great pleasure to tell the Frat. at large that all of "Phi's" members, while they do not stand at the very top in their classes, yet they all make "Fine Grades," and are highly respected by both Professors and town people.

Since our *Exams.* are over, every one is enquiring about our ball team, which we hope to be the very best in our history.

Phi will have one representative in our base-ball team in Brother Manney, and probably Brother Palmer and the writer, all three of whom played on last year's team.

"Billy" has been very busy during the past month, and right faithfully has he done his work, as some of his subjects were very "Burly," but of course "Billy" was more than conqueror.

I take great pleasure in introducing to our Brother Pis the names of three thorough Southern gentlemen, Mr. John D. Manney, of Charlotte, N. C., Mr. Alpheus Bowman, of Salem, Va. and Mr. Peter Salazar, of Ponce, P. R., but now of New York City.

Phi has now located on the Courthouse Square, and I dare say that there is not a prettier Chapter room anywhere to be found, all of us are highly delighted with it and take great interest in it.

Before I close I must mention Phi's Sisters, who have added so much pleasure and assisted us in fixing our Hall.

If any further information is wanted along this line, I direct you to Brother Palmer, who is the great "calico" man of Phi.

With best wishes to our sister Chapters, I will close.

*J. A. Bear.*



*CHI.**University of the South.*

We are enjoying our winter vacation and have passed through the festivities of Xmas, and have celebrated the coming of the New Year and New Century, and at such a time our thoughts naturally turn to the more solemn side of such an occasion. Very few ever see the in-coming of two centuries, and ere this century has passed we shall all have journeyed to the great "beyond."

Such a thought implants in our minds ideas which give us food for deep reflection. Some of us may live through the fifty mile-post, and some even celebrate the "diamond" anniversary of the flight of time, but beyond that—well, perhaps we'll wait and see.

The time lies before us as one vast unexplored vista, and it may fall to the lot of some of us to delve into some of nature's hidden mysteries. Progress is before us, and advancing with phenomenal rapidity. The past century has left us a wonderful heritage, but even that will be forgotten in the flood-tide of genius which is breaking forth on every side. The cry is onward and forward. Civilization must be carried to the ends of the earth. Nation will rise against nation, and the onward sweep of the triumphant hosts of nation builders, reform and invention will perfect all conditions to the amelioration of existing disturbances.

While the great world moves on, and time and tide are waiting for no man, it remains for us in our own little kingdom to bestir ourselves and bear up and carry our standard onward and upward. Old H. K. A. is advancing and making her name known throughout the Southland, and it devolves upon every man to do his best. Let the new century give us the incentive to work earnestly and zealously. Let our next Convention be a rousing Convention. Put some spirit into it, and let the life and spirit thereby infused be inbreathed into each one of our Chapters. Every man with his shoulder to the wheel and his whole heart and soul in the work.

Men, we stand for something, and we have got to let that something show and manifest itself to our fellow men. Are you not IIs? Does that not mean that you are men, and that as men you are going to make your influence felt in every community?

Let the new century furnish the stimulus which shall energize and actualize the dead or maimed potentialities which lie latent in the warp and woof of our inner selves, and when the main-spring has been awakened from its passive inanition the coils of perseverance and endeavor will unfold the growing fabric, which will bring glory and honor and renown to the banner of II. K. A.

Long may it wave, and may she grow and extend her influence and be a witness to the world of sincerity, fidelity and truth.

*Luther G. H. Williams.*

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### **PSI.**

*North Georgia Agricultural College.*

Words are inadequate to express our joy as we stood around the dying embers of the nineteenth century and thought of our year's work, and especially of the memorable establishment our Chapter last March. And now as the twentieth century begins Psi sings of her victories gained and laurels won. With renewed determination we are moving onward and upward. We are continually growing in popularity and our fellow students acknowledge the weight of our mighty arm. Every member has put a shoulder to the wheel and our Chapter now stands far in the lead.

We regret very much that Brothers Bell and Monroe are no longer with us. They have gone into other fields to seek strength for our beloved Fraternity. The former is now instructing youths at Waynesboro, Ga., a little town of about three thousand inhabitants; while the latter greets us from one of the growing lumber centers of South Geor-



gia. He is book-keeper for one of the lumber companies of Felton.

Since our last letter we have taken into our noble Order two members, Brothers G. S. Jackson, Albany, Ga., and W. T. Townsend, of Tate, Ga. They are boys both of high moral character and excellent standing in College. We can with the greatest pleasure introduce them to our sister Chapters as IIs. The former is one of the leading members of Freshman class, having entered this year, while the latter is a bold Sophomore. Brother Townsend is unquestionably in the lead in his class. When he was in College year before last he won three prizes. We had to work faithfully for these men and we feel like we can congratulate ourselves on our success.

As an evidence of our growing popularity two ladies of our College faculty now wear II. K. A. badges.

We have just completed our full term final examinations. While we all feel a little worried, we are glad to say that we came through with flying colors.

We heartily endorse the suggestion of our Supreme Council in regard to our next Convention. We will be more at leisure then than at any other time, and we think it well as new life begins to spring into the plants, that we meet and put new life into our work for our Fraternity.

Since Christmas we have rented a nice hall and have succeeded in furnishing it elegantly. The hall has a commanding situation, and the views from its windows are unquestionably the finest in the State.

With best wishes for sister Chapters.

*D. C. Stow.*

## The Psi's.

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In order to make this department complete and more interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to J. PIKE POWERS, Jr., 520 Gay street, Knoxville, Tenn., *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.

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—There is an extremely interesting article on College Fraternities in the February "Munsey." At the head of the article, there are badges of seven of the leading Fraternities, the fifth of which is our own SHIELD AND DIAMOND, though it is a rather poor cut of our badge, especially in the shape of the Shield. This article is profusely illustrated with photo-engravings of various Chapter houses, principally those of the Northern Fraternities, at the University of Pennsylvania, Amherst, Yale, University of Michigan, Cornell, etc. Some of them are beautiful, especially that of the Delta Upsilon lodge at Cornell. Very pretty pictures are also shown of the exterior and the dining room of the Delta Psi house at Williams College, and there are also several pretty cuts of the interior rooms of various houses. We think every one of our Chapters should read this article, as there is a good deal of value and interest in it.

—The following newspaper clippings explain themselves: J. M. Wells is an initiate of Theta, but was also a member of Iota, having attended the Seminary at Hampden-Sidney College.

"Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells on last Sunday morning announced his decision to accept the call to the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, N. C., and expressed a desire to have his connection with the Second Church close in the first week in February.

The change will give Dr. Wells a wider field of usefulness, and



he hopes prove beneficial to the health of his family, several members of which he hopes to see improved by a change of climate.

There was a very large congregation present to hear the announcement, and much regret expressed at the necessity of surrendering Dr. Wells.—*Staunton (Va.) News, January 22, 1901.*

"STAUNTON, VA., January 20.—Rev. J. M. Wells, pastor of the Presbyterian Church here, has decided to accept the call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C." *Baltimore Sun.*

—"Neath the Shadow of His Wing" is the title of a pretty little book, written by a Pi, and printed and published by Pis. The author's name is given as "Lonnie Loyle," who is no other than our talented Brother, Rev. Thornwell Jacobs, of Mu. The book is dedicated "to those loving hearts, who have made possible the work at Thornwell Orphanage, Clinton, S. C." It is filled with little stories of this famous Orphanage, some of them tender and touching, some full of humor and wit, all of them calculated to move the best feelings of the heart. We think the book will do a great deal of good for the Orphanage. It brings it before the public, in pleasant shape, and one cannot read this book without warming to the great charitable work which is there being done. The General Office has been favored with an autograph copy, from the author, and it should be of peculiar interest to II's, as not only the composition, but the actual type-setting, printing and binding has been done by Pi's. The type-setting and press-work is done at the Orphanage press at Clinton, and the binding is done by the firm of Whittet & Shepperson, under the personal supervision of our Pi Brother, Robert Whittet, Jr. The book is profusely illustrated with interesting cuts.

We think every Chapter of the Fraternity ought to have a copy of this book. T. Ellison Simpson, of Mu, is the business manager, and any inquiries addressed to him on the subject will receive prompt attention.

—Here is a good record for honors. Can any of the other Chapters show up better? Beta has the editor-in-chief of the Annual, associate editor and assistant business man

ager. Associate editor of the *Davidson College Magazine*, president of the student body, two men in the College glee club and four men in the mandolin and guitar club, one of them being its business manager.

—On John Marshall day, February 4th, at the great Centennial celebration, held in Richmond, in honor of the Chief Justice. Brother B. B. Munford, (Gamma), was chairman of the joint Committee of Arrangements, from the City and State Bar Associations. Brother Munford presided at the Academy of Music, when Justice Gray of Massachusetts, delivered his oration on the *Character and career of the great Chief Justice*. Brother Munford also presided as toast master at the banquet which followed the orations. Covers were laid for three hundred; the Governor of the Commonwealth, the Mayor of the city, Justice Gray and party, and other distinguished gentlemen made it a notable spread. Brother Munford, who is easily the first among Richmond's orators, is congratulated upon the discharge of his honorable duties.

—Brother F. F. Jones, (Iota), has, for some days, been obliged to leave his work in Union Theological Seminary, in order to have his eyes treated in the *Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary* of Richmond. Brother Jones' malady has been serious and treatment painful, but neither has been able to quench his irresistible laugh, which rings out with its usual cheer from his darkened room, being really the most infectious thing in the hospital. Brother Jones' condition is steadily improving; his doctors think that he will soon be well.

—Brother Comfort Wtakins, (Iota), is now engaged in a clerical position in the tobacco business at Drake's Branch, Va. His brother Joe has recently secured a fine position as draughtsman at the Trigg Ship-Yards, Richmond.

—Rev. Brother C. C. Owen, M. D. (*Iota and Alpha*) Medical Missionary of the Southern Presbyterian church, and stationed at Mokpo, Korea, was married December 12th to Miss Georgia Whiting of the Northern Presbyterian



Mission. The knot was tied by the W. F. Bull, formerly of Norfolk, at the residence of Dr. Horace G. Underwood in Seoul, Korea.

—Mr. Robt. Whittet, Sr., father of Brother Robt. Whittet, Jr., (Iota) has just issued his second book of poems. His first, "The Brighter Side of Suffering" was issued in 1882 and gave him a place among the first of Scotch poets in America.

—The many warm friends of Brother Asa D. Watkins (Iota), who is a member of the Junior Class of Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., deeply sympathize with him in the death of sister, Mrs. Minnie Stuart Dickinson, which occurred at Worsham, Va., on the 8th of January.

—Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D. (Theta) has just entered upon his work as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C. This is one of the leading churches of the Old North State and has a membership of more than 360.

—Dr. Wells had been for some years at the Second Presbyterian Church, Staunton, Va., and he leaves that city held in high esteem.

—Brother John Calwell, *Iota*, pastor of Carrollton Presbyterian Church, New Orleans, is to marry Miss Ellen Parker, Bon Air, Va., February 14th, our best wishes will attend this young Brother.

—Rev. R. C. Gilmore, (Iota), pastor of the Staunton Third and Olivet churches, Staunton, Va., has been called to Wilmore, Ky., as co-paster with the famous evangelist Dr. Edw. O. Guerrant.

—Rev. T. H. Rice, D. D. (Theta), of Central Church, Atlanta, has been so unwell lately as to be forced seek change and rest in Florida.

—It will be gratifying to the host of friends which Brother R. L. Telford (Iota) has, to know that the \$6,000 debt which rested for so long over his school, the Lewisburg (W. Va.) Female Institute, has been cancelled by

friends of the institution. The institution is winning golden recognition and stands among the very first of the girls' schools in the South. For lack of room it has had to turn away applicants for the last two years. It is believed that no difficulty will now be experienced in enlarging the building to meet these increasing demands. The "*Central Presbyterian*" has this to say in its issues of December 19th and January 30th:

"At the Lewisburg Female Institute there was occasion for a very hearty Thanksgiving. Dr. Telford announced the receipt of a check for \$1,020 from the New River Consolidated Coal Company. The Misses Price generously contributed the last thousand dollars, and the debt is entirely discharged. We very sincerely congratulate Dr. Telford and the friends of the Institute, and the whole section which now enjoys and will enjoy the advantages of this fine institution for female education."

"Lewisburg Female Institute is very prosperous under the charge of its indefatigable principal, Rev. Dr. Telford, and his efficient corps of teachers. There is on the roll one hundred scholars, two-thirds of which are boarders."

—We note that Brother P. H. Gwinn (Iota), is represented in the current number of the *Union Seminary Magazine* by a striking article on the "Home Mission History of the Southern Presbyterian Church," a review of that Home from the separate organization of the Southern Presbyterian Church in 1861.

—We know we voice the feelings of the entire Fraternity, in extending deepest sympathy to our beloved Brother, Theron H. Rice, on account of his ill health. The best wishes and prayers of all II's will follow this Brother while he seeks renewed health in another clime, and we hope soon to announce his complete restoration.

—Brother Robert H. Lafferty, *Beta*, who has for the past few years been located at Marietta, Fla., has been elected Principal of the High School at Gastonia, N. C. He will take charge of his new duties on February 25th. We know our Brother will be glad to get back to his native State and congratulate him on the compliment paid him, by his election, over the many competitors.



—Lewis M. Gaines of Iota is now at the John Hopkins Medical School pursuing the study of medicine. Lewis must be highly thought of among the Professors, because he was appointed Laboratory assistant to one of the Professors. We predict for Lewis a successful career in his chosen profession.

—Rev. Theron H. Rice, D. D., who was called from his work in Atlanta, Ga., to go to Florida to recuperate, has returned fully restored and brimming over with energy and enthusiasm.

—Brother R. O. Flinn's church in Atlanta was recently much strengthened by a protracted service which was held by the well known evangelist, Dr. Guerrant of Kentucky. Brother Flinn's church is one of the handsomest churches in the city of Atlanta and he will have a field of great influence and importance for his labors.

—Dr. Frank Hopkins of Pi Chapter is to take to himself a wife on February 16, and "they" say he has found at last something that claims devotion as sincere as that he has always given his profession. Brother Hopkins has achieved great success in the practice of medicine and, though very young yet, is considered authority in some lines in his section. He is now located at Hot Springs, Va.

—Brother Marion L. Dawson, Omicron, of Richmond, Va., is out in a vigorous article on "The South and the Negro" in the February issue of the *North American Review*. Brother Dawson was formerly Judge Advocate General of Virginia and is making his mark as a thinker and writer on political and economic problems.

## Editorial.

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IT IS VERY GRATIFYING indeed to note the unmistakable signs of awakening among our chapters. We think the recent published articles, and the letters sent direct to the Chapters, have opened the eyes of our active members to the necessity of earnest work on their part, and as we have said, it is indeed gratifying and encouraging to be able already to see the fruits of this awakening. We bring you in this issue some earnest thoughts for the active Chapters and the suggestions contained in many of the Chapter letters, are worthy of earnest consideration. Alpha, through its enthusiastic reviver, J. P. Montgomery, has given us a very straight talk, in the article entitled "Chapter Selfishness." This little confidential talk, *among ourselves*, as it were, goes right down to the bottom of the trouble, and ought to receive the very careful attention of all the other Chapters. We believe a good deal of this selfishness, as Brother Montgomery says, is due to the fact that the members do not appreciate the importance of their duty to the Fraternity at large. We hope that this article will be carefully read by all members and will bring about a decided reformation.

We are glad too of the remarks from Gamma, and her admonition that the Chapters do not let the recent appeal go by unnoticed is timely, and should receive earnest consideration.

We believe that our Chapters are now more thoroughly aroused than at any other time in our history, and the great effort of each Chapter should be to keep up this enthusiasm, and to see that the Chapter does not get back into the slough of listlessness. We are not yet completely out of



danger, and some of our Chapters should be more alive and active, but we think if the Chapters will work among themselves and correspond with each other, we will soon have a complete and healthy awakening of the active Fraternity.

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WHILE WE SEE SIGNS of some awakening on the part of the Chapters, yet it is not as complete nor general as we must have. It will be noticed for instance that only one of the Chapters has complied with the suggestion to have an article in the magazine, in addition to the Chapter letter. Now this is one of the important matters to be considered, if we are going to *work together* for the general benefit of the Fraternity. We must not expect some few to bear all the burden of filling the pages of our magazine. It is the magazine of the Fraternity, and as such must have the help of every II to fill its pages.

We therefore ask your attention to this matter again in this issue, and request that your Chapter immediately appoint a member to write an article for the next issue and send it to this office as soon as possible. Let us give it close attention now and not have any reference to it again. As the month of issue approaches, each Chapter should see that one of its members takes his turn to write some article.

There has also been considerable inattention on the part of Chapters in getting in their letters for this issue on time. The middle of the month had passed before all the Chapter letters were in, and this of course has occasioned considerable delay and a great deal of extra work, in order to get the magazine out on time. Let this matter also receive our attention.

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WE HAVE GOOD NEWS from the work of extension in the State of Kentucky, and we expect by the next issue to tell of some Chapters in this our new field. Kappa seems to have imbibed the enthusiasm and loyalty, as well as the determination and ability to work, of its organizer, C. N.

Williams, Gamma. They seem to be pushing right along, without cessation, and while building up themselves strongly, are hard at work on several good colleges. Its parent Chapter, Gamma, is also doing some noble work for extension, and we hope to report successful results from its efforts.

Excepting these two Chapters, we have no report of any definite work towards extension. Several Chapters have written of intentions to work and have shown interest in the plan, but we would like to hear some reports of their efforts being directed towards some definite college. We must not let our baby Chapter out-do us, and it therefore behooves all our Chapters to again consider this matter of extension, and call upon the committees, which they have appointed, for reports. If these committees have no definite colleges in view *continue them*, with instructions *to get some definite College and report within two weeks*. We believe if this is done, by the time of our Convention, we would have glorious news of growth. All Chapters are urged to keep in close touch with the General office, and report every effort that is being made, so that the Supreme Council may advise with them and help them in the work.

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THE SUGGESTION HAS COME to the General Office from one of our oldest Chapters that each Chapter should have a committee, whose duty it is to correspond with the sister Chapters, with a view to stir up each other, and more especially to keep in touch with the members of each Chapter, who leave the colleges, to finish their education elsewhere. This plan has been given the hearty approval of the Supreme Council, with the earnest request that it be carried out. We think that the Chapters should be in touch with each other oftener than through the pages of the magazine every other month.

Of course, in these printed communications there is a certain amount of restraint necessary, and we cannot write each other as freely as we would like. By the plan sug-



gested, we can write each other frankly, not only of our own faults and our efforts to correct them, but of everything we think will be of benefit to each other. Let us try this plan now for the next year, and see what wonderful results will be obtained. Let each Chapter appoint the suggested committee, and a letter be written to the other Chapters, and by this interchange of ideas we will achieve a wonderful awakening.

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IT IS INDEED pleasant to the Supreme Council to have so unanimous and hearty approval of their selection of the place and time of our next Convention. Twelve of our Chapters telegraphed promptly that Charlotte and the first week in April were suitable. We therefore bring you in this issue, the Official Call for this meeting and we trust that the attendance upon it will be as prompt and unanimous as was the approval.

It needs no words of ours to emphasize the importance of this Convention. Our worthy C. P. has ably set forth before you, in his official communication, the thought which should be in all of our minds that this Convention must be a turning point in our existence. Many of our Chapters are more aroused to the importance of work on their part than in the past ten years, and we want them to convey to some of their more tardy Brothers the magnetic enthusiasm which they feel. There is nothing that can take the place of this gathering together of kindred spirits. There is no organization, no matter what is its nature or aim, but realizes the necessity for these annual conferences. They are the life of every organization.

Plans will be arranged with the Railroad Association, which will allow us a special return rate, if a specified number attend. We think this will enable our delegates to get a cheap trip, but the matter of expense ought not to be considered at this time. Every Chapter, at no matter what the cost, should have a representation at the meeting. The nearer the Chapter, the more delegates it should send. "In

Union There is Strength" and "Two Heads Are Better Than One" and by the comingling of thoughts and suggestions, a great benefit will result.

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IT IS NOT for us to appeal to the Chapters to send delegates; it is their duty and it is more important now than it has been at any previous time. The wave of prosperity over the South has built up all around us splendid institutions and the attendance at our old Colleges is larger than in years. It behooves Pi Kappa Alpha therefore to get some share of this prosperity and to grasp the many opportunities offered.

If the Chapters will send large delegations to this Convention, which will preminently be an "Extension Convention," we will send them back to the Chapters so full of enthusiasm and zeal that we will have every member of the Chapters with his coat off and his sleeves rolled up and pitching in to the work. This is what we need, and as the delegates will return to the Chapters before the electricity passes out of them, we hope for better results from this Convention than any ever before attended.



# Official Communications.

## ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 1.

*To the Members of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Greeting.*

1. Article 5, Chapter II, of the Constitution, having been fully carried out, I herewith summon the members of the Fraternity to assemble together in Charlotte, N. C., April 3rd, 4th and 5th—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, for the Annual Convention.

2. The headquarters of the Convention will be at "The Central Hotel," where the delegates will be accommodated at the special rate of \$1.00 per day, two in a room. The business sessions of the Convention will be held in the Hotel Building.

3. The first business session will convene *Wednesday morning, April 3rd, at 10 o'clock* and as many sessions will be held each day as possible. Every effort will be made to transact the work as quickly as possible, that delegates may not be kept any longer than absolutely necessary. *Delegates should arrive in time for first session.*

4. If there is an attendance of fifty at the Convention, we will be granted a return rate of one third the first class fare. Proper certificate blanks, to be signed by the agent, when the first ticket is bought, will be sent to each Chapter.

5. It is to be greatly regretted that the appearance of the small-pox at the University of Virginia and Charlottesville necessitated the abandonment of the plan to hold the celebration at this historic place and the birth place of our Fraternity. I can assure all delegates, however, of a good time at Charlotte.

ROBERT M. HUGHES,  
*Supreme Councilor.*

February 15, 1901.

## OFFICIAL ORDER No. 1.

*To the Several Chapters of II. K. A.—Greeting.*

1. Chapters will immediately elect delegates for the Convention at Charlotte, N. C., and are requested to send their names by March 25th, to the General Office, so that a roll may be made up and duties assigned. *Alternates should also be elected and their names reported at the same time.* Each Chapter should endeavor to send as many delegates as possible—at least two.

*Read carefully Chapter II, Article 5 to 8, of the printed Constitution.*

2. Attention of each Chapter is called to Section 17 of Article V, Secret Constitution, requiring minute books to be submitted

in good form to the Convention for examination. Each Chapter should see that its delegates take charge of the "*minute book*," and bring it to the meeting.

3. It is earnestly hoped that the Chapters will give careful attention to all these matters, so that when this Convention assembles, everything will be in due form, and its business can be carried on without interruption or the omission of any duty on the part of the Chapters.

Let as many come from each Chapter as possible.

H. B. ARBUCKLE,  
*Councilor Princeps.*

February 15, 1901.

### OFFICIAL ORDER No. 2.

*To the several Chapter Correspondents—Greeting.*

I wish to urge upon you the importance of having a full report, covering the past year of your Chapter, since the last Convention, carefully written out and sent to the Convention by your delegate. These reports should be made very full. They should contain the full names and addresses of all initiates and members, since the last Convention, an account of all the honors taken during that time, and *especially a list of those who will graduate this year, and those who will return next year.* You are referred to the last "*Dagger and Key*," page 32, which will give you a good form to follow. This is of the utmost importance, and correspondents are urged to give close attention.

H. B. ARBUCKLE,  
*Councilor Princeps.*

February 15, 1901.

### FINANCIAL MATTERS.

Chapters are requested to read carefully Sections 12, 18, 19, and especially 20, of Article V, Secret Constitution, and give heed to the same.

We want all Chapters entitled to representation at our grand Charlotte meeting.

Please therefore carefully observe this word from the Grand Treasurer.

ROBERT A. SMYTH,  
*Grand Treasurer.*

February 15, 1901.

### OFFICIAL NOTICE NO. 1.

It is of the utmost importance that all who attend the Convention, *no matter from what point, when purchasing their tickets to Charlotte, should obtain them from the agent, from whom the ticket is purchased, a standard certificate, to enable them to obtain a reduction of one third fare for the return trip.*

*This is of the utmost importance and all who contemplate attending should at once see their railroad agent and find out if he has these certificates on hand. If not, get him to secure them or advise me and I will take it up with Headquarters. Do not put this off until the last minute. Attend to it at once.*

It would be of great assistance, *if every one who expects to attend would notify the General Office by March 25th.* Just drop us a postal to this effect.

ROBERT A. SMYTH,  
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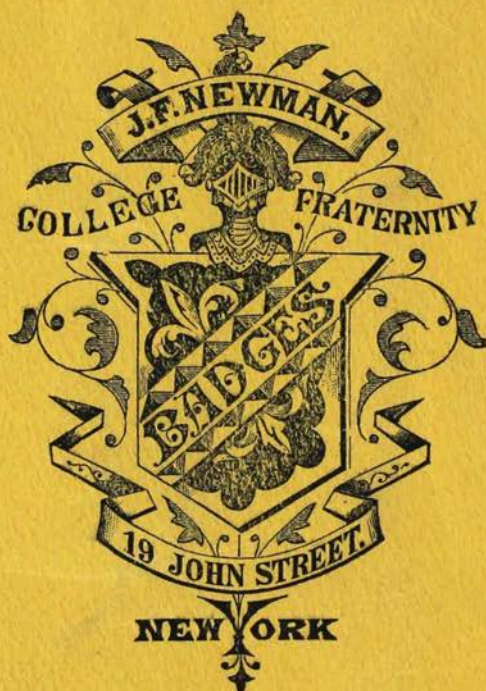
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