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## **The General Convention.**

The delegates to the XLVth Annual Convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity began to arrive in Rochester as early as the evening of Wednesday, May 1. The remainder reached the city by the early trains of the following morning, and at half past ten o'clock on May 2, the Convention, in accordance with the published programme, was called to order in the Chapter Room of the Upsilon. It was found that every Chapter, with the exception of the inactive Alpha, was duly represented. The presiding officer on taking the chair, stated that even before the formal organization of the Convention, he deemed it his duty to present to the representatives of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, one of those seven honored men who were present at the Fraternity's birth, and he accordingly introduced to the assemblage, Judge Sterling G. Hadley, the Convention's Honorary President. Judge Hadley was received with ringing cheers and made a brief, but hearty response. Half an hour later the graduate delegation was organized in the ante-chamber of the Chapter Room, and notice of its organization was formally communicated to the Convention. The usual preliminary work was done in the morning session of the Convention, but the actual labors of the body did not commence until the afternoon session, which opened at half-past two. Two sessions were also held the following day. The results of the discussions will be communicated to the Chapters in the usual way, and it is only proper, in the columns of *THE DIAMOND*, to allude to two of the results reached. The first was a matter which has consumed a good deal of time in the sessions of previous Conventions—the question of Fraternity colors. It was finally settled by the adoption of Garnet and Gold as the emblematic colors of the Psi Upsilon. The other was in regard to the seat of the next Convention. The Beta was founded the year 1839, and closes the fourth decade of its prosperous career next year. The Chapter unanimously asked, that to enable it to properly commemorate its fourth decennial birthday, the Fraternity would appoint the coming General Convention to be held at Yale. To this request the Convention acceded, and the XLVth Convention will consequently meet at New Haven in May, 1879.

The venerable President Anderson, of the University of Rochester, had expressed a desire to meet the delegates, and an invitation was accordingly extended to him to address the body. At three o'clock Thursday afternoon he appeared before the Convention accompanied by some of the Psi Upsilon members of the University's Faculty. Dr. Anderson began by welcoming the delegates to Rochester,

and by extending to them the hospitalities of the institution over which he presided. He very well remembered the Convention of 1866, which was also held with the Upsilon, and recalled his association with its members with much pleasure. He stated that he was not a member of any of the Greek Letter Societies, but that he had long since learned to regard with favor the leading organizations. As the oldest college president by continuous service, his experience with these associations had been an extended one, and perhaps entitled him to speak with some weight in regard to them. He had also carefully studied the subject of student organizations, both in Europe and in this country, and he did not hesitate to bear his testimony to the usefulness of the Greek Letter Societies. They were valuable aids in the maintenance of college discipline, and presented many advantages to their members. Dr. Anderson then unfolded, one by one, the reasons which induced him to believe that the authorities of our colleges should encourage these sodalities, and alluded to the action of the Persistent and Trustees of Princeton as one which ought to prove a warning to all sister institutions. His logical and powerful address elicited much applause from the Convention.

Another episode of Thursday afternoon was of great interest. After the close of President Anderson's address and after visiting the Powers' art-gallery at the invitation of its proprietor, the graduates and undergraduates were entertained by an excursion to Lake Ontario. To the number of nearly 150 they proceeded in carriages through the principal streets of the city, the sidewalks being alive with people listening with interest to the college songs which were sung on the way, and past the University to the Bay View House seven miles distant. At this charming resort, where there are a number of summer club-houses, a brief but delightful sojourn took place, the company devoting itself to songs, rowing and dancing. At nine o'clock the same evening the Upsilon gave the usual Chapter lunch, an affair of great elegance, which was thoroughly enjoyed by every participant. Indeed the hospitality of the Chapter, as well as of the citizens of Rochester in general, seemed to know no bounds. The clubs, the private residences and the public institutions of the town were generously thrown open to the delegates and guests. Governor Chamberlain, who arrived the following morning, was at once overwhelmed with invitations. During the afternoon of Friday he visited, with the Mayor of the city, the various interesting localities of Rochester.

The private sessions of the Convention finally ended at six o'clock Friday evening—the members, as they adjourned, casting a last look of regret at the beautifully furnished Chapter Rooms of the Upsilon, in which so much

good work for the Fraternity had been accomplished. At seven o'clock a long procession of Psi Upsilon started from the Brackett House for the First Baptist church. This edifice, one of the finest in the city, had been decorated with great taste. Over the high alcove at the back of the platform hung the Badge of the Fraternity, wrought in white roses and amaranths, while on either side were the dates of the Fraternity's and the Chapter's birth,—1833 and 1858. Wreaths of evergreen bound the dates and the symbol together. On the front of the desk was an exquisite *T*, in white roses on a green back ground, while choice flowering plants and enormous bouquets adorned the platform. The body of the church had been reserved for the Psi Upsilon part of the assemblage and the members of the Convention were escorted to their seats by ushers. A large audience completely filled the remainder of the building. The entrance of the Presiding Officers, the Orator, the Poet, and the Chaplain, accompanied by the chairman of the local committee, was greeted by the rising of the Convention. After an overture on the organ by Professor H. D. Wilkins (*T* 1866), the Chaplain, the Rev. Augustus H. Strong D. D. (*B* 1857), offered prayer. The Presiding Officer, the Hon. Sterling G. Hadley (*©* 1836), one of the five surviving Founders of the Psi Upsilon, delivered an opening address of great interest, and which was frequently interrupted by applause, recounting many incidents of the Fraternity's infancy. This was followed by the oration by the Hon. Daniel H. Chamberlain LL. D. (*B* 1862), ex-Governor of South Carolina. His theme was "The Claims of the Greek Language and Literature to a Leading Place in the Attention and Life of those who would promote the best Interests of Education." The oration opened with a warm tribute to the Psi Upsilon for its half-century of devotion to the sacred causes of scholarship and brotherhood, and was characterized throughout by logical reasoning and a clear style, now and then rising into rhetorical brilliance, and exhibited an extended and loving study of the classic authors.

The second portion of the Public Exercises began with "The Psi Upsilon March," composed for the occasion and executed by Professor Wilkins. Then came the Poem by the Rev. Joseph A. Ely (*T* 1866). It was entitled "The Archer and the Bird," and was a simple but charming legend, narrated in verse of much melody and filled with striking passages. The Convention then sang the popular Fraternity song, "Brothers, the day is ended," and afterwards the "Psi Upsilon Doxology," to the accompaniment of the organ. The exercises closed with the benediction, pronounced by the Chaplain, and the Convention returned to the Brackett House in procession.

At ten o'clock, the delegates and other members of the Fraternity, to the number of 117, were seated at the Convention Banquet at the Brackett House. The large hall was decorated at the upper end with a brilliant star and the words "Psi Upsilon" in gas gets, together with the badge of the Fraternity and the name of the Upsilon Chapter and other emblems wrought in flowers. At the lower end was

stationed an orchestra which played well-known Psi Upsilon airs at frequent intervals during the entire evening. Three long tables extended through the hall. At the head of the transverse table, which united them at the upper end, sat Judge Hadley, supported by the Orator and Poet of the day. Near him was George H. Fox, M. D. (*T* 1867), who filled the position of Toast Master. Grace was said by the Convention's Chaplain. After a steady and zealous enjoyment of the excellent and abundant viands, lasting until the earlier hours of the morning, Dr. Fox announced, as the first toast, "The Psi Upsilon," and called upon the venerable President of the evening for a response. Judge Hadley replied with warm emotion, and drew a felicitous contrast between the feeble infant which he had helped to nourish, and the widely extended Fraternity, whose numerous Chapters were represented at the tables before him. Nobody rejoiced more heartily at the growth of Psi Upsilon than did those men to whom it owed its origin. Circumstances, partly incident to their age, had prevented the attendance of some of those men this evening. One of them, greatly against his own will, had been kept away by the stringent orders of his physician. Another was engaged at that very hour in presiding at a similar banquet in the city of New York. All, however, maintained their Psi Upsilon fervor undimmed by the lapse of forty years. At the close of Judge Hadley's remarks nine cheers were given for the Founders of Psi Upsilon. The Toast Master then stated that it would be impossible to read any of the numerous letters received in response to invitations to attend the Convention. Their writers included the names of all the most eminent members of the Fraternity, and among them were Stedman, Warner, Holland, Saxe, Depew, Akerman, Hawley, Pettit, Seelye, Rice, Van Vorst and a host of others. He then read telegrams from the various reunions, taking place simultaneously with the Convention Banquet, in Boston, Portland, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Detroit, Chicago and St. Paul. The Convention then requested him to return the greetings of the Founders and of the Fraternity to the Psi Upsilon assembled in each of these cities. Telegrams of congratulation were also read from the Xi, the Omega, the Chi, and other Chapters. Proceeding with the regular toasts, the entire body sang the Annual Convention Song of which printed copies lay beside each plate. It was written by the Rev. H. L. Morehouse (*T* 1858), to the air of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," and was entitled "Long Live Psi Upsilon." The following stanzas received especial applause:—

Brothers, join we now our voices in a glad fraternal song,  
Hands we clasp while hearts are beating with affection true and strong,  
Place we now the wreath of laurel where the laurel wreaths belong:  
Long live Psi Upsilon!

CHORUS—Swell the song and tell the story  
Of her blood, her brain, her glory,  
On we go *ad altiora*!  
Long live Psi Upsilon!

Hail the natal night, my brothers, when we took the name Psi U,  
When with ceremonies solemn, we were tenderly "put through;"  
To the vows in love then taken we will evermore be true;

Long live Psi Upsilon!

Here afresh we pledge our friendship, thro' the changing years the  
same;

Here we lift aloft the standard, marching to our higher aim;

Here we honor and are honored by the cabalistic name—

Long live Psi Upsilon!

Among the regular toasts which were now announced were "The Psi Upsilon Clergy" responded to by the Rev. Professor C. W. Bennett D. D. ( $\Xi$  1852), of Syracuse University; "The Jurists," by the Hon. Theodore Bacon ( $B$  1853), "The Physicians," by W. S. Ely, M. D. ( $T$  1861); and "The Professors," by Professor Williard Fiske ( $\Psi$  1851), of Cornell University. The toast "The Executive Council" called forth a graceful response from the Council's delegate, Mr. Isaac S. Signor ( $\Psi$  1870). Then came the Chapter toasts to which responses were made as follows:— $\Theta$ , Mr. L. S. Holmes;  $\Delta$ , Mr. W. J. Roome, jr.;  $B$ , Mr. O. H. Waldo;  $\Sigma$ , Mr. H. O. Farnum;  $T$ , Mr. J. H. Selden;  $Z$ , Mr. A. O. Brown;  $\Lambda$ , Mr. H. O. Lacy;  $K$ , Mr. S. E. Smith;  $\Psi$ , Mr. C. H. Ray;  $\Xi$ , Mr. A. G. Kynett;  $I$ , Mr. C. M. Forbes;  $I$ , Mr. C. P. Peterman;  $\Phi$ , Mr. O. F. Barnes;  $\Omega$ , Mr. J. D. S. Riggs;  $\Pi$ , Mr. C. E. Mogg;  $X$ , Mr. Philip Barnard. Among the special toasts which closed the proceedings were the healths of the Orator, the Poet, and the Chaplain of the Convention, and one "To the Uninitiated Psi Upsilon" which drew forth perhaps the happiest speech of the evening. The response was by the Hon. Albert A. Porter ( $T$  1859) who stated that as his sons were nearly ready to enter college he trusted that the title of "uninitiated" would not long characterize them. At half-past four o'clock the Convention Banquet of 1878 closed with the song "Dear Old Shrine" and prolonged cheers for the continued prosperity of the Fraternity. Among those who participated throughout in the proceedings of the Convention were the Hon. D. W. Noyes ( $\Theta$  1847); the Rev. C. W. Winchester ( $\Xi$  1868); Professor C. E. Ryder ( $T$  1868); Gen. Clarence Campbell ( $B$  1872); Mr. G. W. Elliott ( $\Xi$  1873); several professors of Rochester, Syracuse and Cornell Universities, and many well-known graduates of the Upsilon. For the management of the gathering from its inception to its end too much praise cannot be bestowed upon the Local Committee, at the head of which was Mr. W. L. Sage ( $T$  1865).

#### The Boston Alumni.

The dinner of the Boston Psi Upsilon Alumni was attended at the Parker House by 83 members of the Fraternity. Meeting at five o'clock the guests sat down at six. That royal-hearted son of Psi Upsilon, His Excellency Alexander H. Rice LL. D. ( $\Theta$  1844), the present Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, served both as President and Toast-master, "with the greatest geniality," writes one who was present, "the brightest wit and the easiest eloquence conceivable." After the removal of the cloth came

#### GOVERNOR RICE'S ADDRESS.

*Brethren of the Psi Upsilon:—*

I feel myself fortunate both in honor and privilege in the position which your kindness has assigned to me this evening. This is, I believe, the first gathering of the Alumni of the Psi Upsilon resident in Boston and vicinity; and I beg you to accept my grateful acknowledgment for the distinction of presiding at these festivities. The occasion is to me, and I dare say it may be to most who are present, both a revelation and a surprise: a revelation of the fact that there are so many as four hundred members of our beloved Fraternity in the capitol of New England and its immediate vicinity, and a surprise that the old spirit is so active that so slight an intimation has gathered here nearly one hundred Brethren around this festive board. (Applause.) To me it is a surprise also in another way, namely; that I see about me many familiar faces, familiar in business and social circles; faces of men whom I have long known and respected, believed in and trusted, but of whom I had never dreamed that there was any special bond of union linking them to me and me to them; but here it is all explained, that in the mystic chambers of the brotherhood we had each confessed the ties of kindred feeling and similar tastes, and hereafter we shall add with peculiar emphasis that a mutual regard shall bind us together in delightful renewal of our genial fellowship. (Applause) Brethren, I desire in the genuine spirit of our Fraternity to extend to you congratulations from my inmost heart. (Prolonged applause.)

Some of the best recollections of my college life are connected with this Fraternity. It appears to me most admirably suited to supply that great want which the student feels when he leaves his home and the companionships of his boyhood and youth, and encounters, perhaps for the first time, such isolation as meets him in his new college life. Under such circumstances his heart yearns for sympathy, at least it does, if his nature have the generosity in it which lies at the bottom of all genuine manhood; and no sympathy is so welcome and so salutary as the friendship of a chosen band drawn together by the ties of kindred feeling, similar tastes and mutual regard. It touches the sacred sources of his inner life and acts as a solace to his weariness, a stimulant to his ambition and a guardian to his conduct. (Applause). I remember well when I entered college and saw scarcely a familiar face, how the mischances of associations grouped around me. I wondered for a while how I would get on with the perpetual study of character at arm's length; whether I would ever find a hand that I could clasp in the consciousness of unselfish friendship, and feel the pulsations of a heart that would beat responsively to mine in the interchange of honest and cordial emotions. I found intellectual ability, brilliant scholarship, chivalric conduct worthy of high admiration; but in the Psi Upsilon I found in addition to these, a trusted and confidential fellowship keeping equal grade with intellectual development, and giving both enjoyment to life and symmetry to character. This longing for congenial fellowship is inherent in our nature; and it is a wise philosophy which listens to its demands and supplies them. I honestly believe that the discipline of the College, which always rested more upon appeals to the manliness of the students than upon arbitrary ordinances, was more thoroughly maintained through the aid of the societies than through any other agencies; and I esteem the results of the society intercourse—its revelations of character, its interchange of hopes, its emulations and its restraints—to have been as valuable to me as the knowledge which I derived from the curriculum of studies in the collegiate course. (Applause.)

This occasion, brethren, is remarkable also in its contemporaneous associations. I remember that the Society was but about ten years old when I joined it, probably with a less number of members all told, than live in Boston to-day. There were but four or five Chapters, and some of them in feeble condition, with scarcely an alumnus who had achieved

distinction in the world. Now its members are a numerous body, spread all over the continent, and filling places of distinction in all the walks of life. Moreover, while we are here knitting our hearts together and reuniting the bonds which separation had temporarily sundered, at this very hour our brothers are in convention in the city of Rochester guarding the welfare and invigorating the stability and growth of the society; and gatherings like our own are in session in Portland, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Chicago and San Francisco; and to them all we send a brother's greeting. (Applause.)

The sentiment embodied in the motto of our Fraternity—the taking of heart to heart, the interchange of mutual respect, friendship and confidence—when once it has stood the test of experience, is vigorous and undying. Once accepted it becomes contagious to kindred minds and can never be suppressed. It does not end with our college life, because it has become a part of our nature and can die only with ourselves. (Applause.) So it is that the Old Society stretches from ocean to ocean, and to-night is the witness of millions of heart-throbs while its sons recount its incidents of happiness and glory in its success. (Prolonged applause.)

The next address in order was that of the Hon. John B. D. Cogswell (Z 1850), President of the Senate of Massachusetts, who sat at the right of the Governor, his only official superior in the State government. He narrated his experience as an undergraduate member, and closed by expressing the hope that as this was the first it would not be the last occasion in Boston in which the spirit of Psi Upsilon should be revealed. He was followed by Mr. D. B. Hagar, Ph. D. (Θ 1843), Principal of the Massachusetts Normal School, and the earliest member of the Fraternity present, who responded for the parent Chapter. He paid a high tribute to the work of the Brotherhood, declaring that to his knowledge its influence had kept many men from vicious courses, and that it created a glorious bond of unity which lasted through life. We have reason to be proud of such an institution. Governor Rice at this point, read a letter of great interest from Professor James M. Peirce (A 1853), of Harvard, who referred to the Alpha as having died so many times that even its enemies must admit that it is immortal, and expressed the liveliest sympathy for the Psi Upsilon and its objects. For the Delta the Rev. F. N. Zabriskie D. D. (Δ 1850), responded. He stated that he had always defended the Psi Upsilon, when attacks were made on the Greek Letter Societies, as it had always been a power for good and never for evil. Colonel E. P. Nettleton (B 1856), answered for the Beta, recalling the pleasant evenings he had spent in the Yale Chapter. The Sigma was represented by the Rev. Solon W. Bush (Σ 1845), stating that it comprised the choicest spirits and finest scholars of Brown. Mr. M. F. Dickinson, jr. (Γ 1862), spoke for the Gamma, asserting that it was most desirable that the old Psi Upsilon associations should be kept constantly fresh. The Hon. Mellan Chamberlain (Z 1844), responded for the Zeta and was enthusiastic in his expressions of devotion to the Fraternity. The toast to the Kappa called out the Hon. W. D. Northend (K 1843), of Salem, one of the most active of the Chapter's Founders. For the Xi spoke Mr. George L. Roberts (Ξ 1859); and for the Alpha Dr. Albert Hosmer

(A 1853), and the Rev. W. S. McKenzie (A 1855). After the Chapter Toasts, the Rev. H. M. Dexter D. D. (B 1840), Editor-in-chief of *The Congregationalist* and one of the Founders of the Yale Chapter, responded to the toast of "History;" Professor H. B. Sprague (B 1852), Principal of the Girls' High School, Boston, to that of "Literature;" the Hon. Dwight Foster (B 1848), Judge of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, to that of "Jurisprudence," and Mr. George C. Hill (B 1845), Editor-in-chief of the *Boston Post*, to that of "Journalism." Most interesting remarks were also made by the Hon. W. A. Field (Z 1855), late Member of Congress. Of the others present may be mentioned the Hon. Harvey Jewell (Z 1844), recently Judge of the U. S. Court of Claims, one of the Founders of the Zeta and an ardent Psi Upsilon; Professor A. H. Buck (Γ 1853), of Boston University; Professor Theodore Lyman (A 1855), of Harvard, one of the Committee of Invitation; Professor John M. Ordway (Z 1844), of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Mr. James Whitney (B 1856), of the Boston Public Library; the Hon. Oliver Stevens (K 1848), U. S. District Attorney; the Rev. Professor L. T. Townsend D. D. (Z 1859), of the Boston University; the Hon. L. C. Wade (B 1866); the Hon. Alpheus Hardy (Γ 1867); and many others of equal note. The only unrepresented Chapters were the Lambda, Psi, Upsilon, Iota, Phi, Omega and Pi. The Fraternity songs were admirably sung by Mr. C. W. Chase (A 1872), Mr. W. O. Kyle and Mr. W. A. Macleod (Γ 1877), and other recent graduates. Telegrams were sent to various cities, and responses received. The brilliant success of the affair is largely due to the untiring efforts of Messrs. F. E. Goodrich (B 1864), of the *Boston Post*, and Mr. R. L. Bridgman (Γ 1870), of the *Boston Advertiser*.

#### The Chicago Alumni.

The Psi Upsilon of Chicago, to the number of upward of fifty, met at the Palmer House, under the presidency of Judge Henry Booth LL. D. (B 1840), Dean of the Union Law School of Chicago, and one of the Founders of the Yale Chapter. After the supper and the singing of Professor Harrington's "Dear Old Shrine," Judge Booth opened the proceedings with a stirring address, which alluded to many circumstances connected with the birth of the Beta. The Toastmaster, Mr. Benjamin D. Magruder (B 1856) then announced the first toast, "The Psi Upsilon," to which that sturdy and steadfast Psi Upsilon, the Hon. John T. Wentworth (Θ 1846), Judge of the First Judicial District of Wisconsin, responded with all the eloquence for which he is famous. He was followed by Mr. N. C. Wheeler (Ω 1873) in response to "The Psi U Ladies." The Chapter Toasts began with the Θ, for which the Hon. T. C. Whiteside (Θ 1858) felicitiously spoke; the Δ, the Rev. J. D. Jones; the B, Mr. A. B. Mason (B 1871); the Σ, Professor Z. Grover (Σ 1842), one of the Chapter's Founders; the Γ, Mr. H. S. Stevens (Γ 1872); the Z, Mr. Edward Greene (Z 1863); the A, Mr. B. F. Rees (A 1874); the K, the Rev. Professor E. N. Packard (K 1862), of Northwestern University; the Ψ, Mr. P. H. Smith jr. (Ψ

1874); the  $\Xi$ , Professor H. S. Carhart ( $\Xi$  1869), of the Northwestern University; the  $A$ , Mr. A. W. Cobb ( $A$  1872); the  $\Gamma$ , Mr. Theodore Lemen ( $\Gamma$  1877); the  $I$ , Mr. A. F. Doddridge ( $I$  1873); the  $\Phi$ , Mr. H. H. C. Miller ( $\Phi$  1868); the  $\Omega$ , Professor Edward Olson ( $\Omega$  1875); and the  $X$ , Mr. Ernest Smith ( $\Phi$  1876), who, in the absence of any member of the Cornell Chapter, and at the Chapter's request, responded for the youngest branch of the Fraternity. Songs were frequent during the evening and were excellently rendered by late and present active members of the Phi, Omega and other Chapters. The programme of exercises was exquisitely printed, its cover being in black and gold, ornamented with Psi Upsilon devices and mottoes. Of those who were active in arranging this most successful entertainment, it is perhaps not invidious to mention, as especially worthy of commendation, Mr. Granville W. Browning, ( $\Phi$  1877).

#### The New York Alumni.

In the metropolis, the resident alumni met at the Metropolitan Hotel. The readers of THE DIAMOND can form some idea of the scene from a large illustration which appeared on the first page of the issue for May 18th of *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*. Nearly 100 participated and rejoiced to see in the chair one of the Seven Founders of the Fraternity, Edward Martindale ( $\Theta$  1836), who presided with quiet dignity. The Hon. W. E. Robinson ( $B$  1841), formerly member of Congress and chief founder of the Beta, assumed the office of Toastmaster, which could not have fallen into better hands. The first Toast was, of course, "The Psi Upsilon" and, equally of course, was responded to by the Hon. William Taylor ( $\Theta$  1838)—"Old Bill Taylor", as the New York State Chapters call him—the first Freshman ever initiated into the Psi Upsilon. "Our Founders" elicited a warm response from President Martindale. To "The Bench" responded the Hon. H. C. Van Vorst, LL. D. ( $\Theta$  1839), Judge of the Superior Court of New York and a life-long devotee of Psi Upsilon. "The Clergy" drew a brilliant response from the Rev. G. F. Seymour, D. D. ( $A$  1850), Dean of the General Theological Seminary and Bishop Elect of the Diocese of Springfield. The first Chapter Toast, the  $\Theta$ , was responded to by the Hon. Isaac Dayton ( $\Theta$  1838), an active participant in the early work of the Fraternity. Then came in regular order the remaining chapters, the Hon. J. T. Johnson ( $A$  1839), one of its founders, speaking of the  $A$ ; Mr. Albert Mathews ( $B$  1842), a well-known author, for the  $B$ ; Mr. S. W. Hall ( $\Sigma$  1860), for the  $\Sigma$ ; the Hon. Waldo Hutchins ( $\Gamma$  1842), for the  $\Gamma$ , at the foundation of which he assisted; E. H. Parker, M. D. ( $Z$  1846), for the  $Z$ ; G. F. Quackenbos, LL. D. ( $A$  1843), widely known for his educational works, for the  $A$ , which he aided to establish; the Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D. ( $K$  1847), Editor-in-Chief of one of the most influential church journals, and the Chaplain of the evening, for the  $K$ ; Mr. D. H. Olmstead ( $\Psi$  1846), and Mr. J. T. Mygatt ( $\Psi$  1858), for the  $\Psi$ ; the Rev. James M. King, D. D. ( $\Xi$  1862), for the

$\Xi$ ; A. Rupper M. D. ( $A$ , 1855), the distinguished physician, for the  $A$ ; the Rev. R. S. McArthur, D. D., ( $\Gamma$  1867), for the  $\Gamma$ ; Robert McNeilly, M. D. ( $I$  1860), the Chapter's principal Founder, for the  $I$ ; Mr. L. M. Iddings ( $\Phi$  1872), of the New York *Tribune*, for the  $\Phi$ ; Mr. C. D. Wyman ( $\Omega$  1872), for the  $\Omega$ ; and Professor H. C. Johnson ( $X$  1873), Head Master of St. Paul's School, for the  $X$ . Speeches were also made by the Hon. G. W. Schuyler ( $A$  1838), Auditor of the State of New York, and a Founder of the Delta; the Hon. B. F. Dunning, ( $\Theta$  1839), one of New York's leading jurists; the Hon. S. T. Freeman ( $\Theta$  1850), who created much merriment by quoting the famous coda, "And when our little ones come on," and pointing to his son, Mr. Cuyler Freeman ( $A$  1880), who was seated at one of the tables; and many others. The President of the Council, Mr. Thomas Thacher ( $B$  1871), responded most happily to the toast, "The  $\Sigma$ ", while one of his predecessors, Mr. D. G. Thompson, ( $\Gamma$  1869), so well known throughout the Fraternity, and his colleague, Mr. Secretary Smiley, were also present. Among the innumerable hits made by the Toastmaster was one relative to U. S. Collector C. A. Arthur ( $\Theta$  1848), who, in one of the many letters read, stated that nothing but a severe attack of sciatica kept him from the reunion. "If he had had the *Psiutica* instead," said Mr. Robinson, "he would certainly be here." The guests did not rise from the table until after two o'clock. The orchestral music and the songs were excellent, the latter being loudly cheered, undergraduates of the two New York city Chapters taking part in it. The success of the metropolitan gathering is largely to be ascribed to the energy and zeal of Mr. C. W. Raymond, ( $X$  1876), and Mr. H. B. McCauley, Jr., ( $A$  1877).

#### The Philadelphia Alumni.

The Fraternity graduates of Philadelphia and vicinity held their reception at the Union League Club, the largest social organization in the city. The chapters represented were the  $\Theta$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $\Gamma$ ,  $Z$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $A$ ,  $\Gamma$ ,  $I$ , and  $X$ , the members of the Beta being especially numerous. The Hon. George Northrop ( $B$  1843) was the presiding officer of the evening. Before the collation a permanent organization of the graduates was effected under the title of "The Philadelphia Psi Upsilon Alumni Association," and the following officers elected for the ensuing year:—*President*, The Hon. George Northrop ( $B$  1843); *Vice-President*, The Rev. Wm. P. Breed, D. D. ( $A$  1843); *Secretary*, Charles H. Burnett, M. D. ( $B$  1864); *Treasurer*, The Hon. Samuel C. Perkins ( $B$  1848); *Executive Committee*, The Hon. John K. Valentine ( $Z$  1855), The Hon. James Parsons ( $\Gamma$  1856), and Joseph Price, M. D. ( $\Theta$  187-). Many interesting and enthusiastic addresses were made, and telegraphic greetings were exchanged with Boston, New York, and Washington. Among those present, in addition to the members mentioned above, were the Rev. W. W. Farr, ( $I$  1864); The Rev. E. Owen Simpson ( $I$  1861), one of the Founders of the Kenyon Chapter; The Rev. P. L. Jones ( $\Gamma$  1865), The Rev. W. M. Lawrence ( $\Gamma$  1871); Mr. J. R. Walter ( $A$  1871), Secretary of the Delaware Historical

Society; and many other notable graduates. The newly formed association promises to be a really active and efficient organization, every speaker expressing the hope that its gatherings would be frequent and regular. Several of the leading songs of the Fraternity were sung during the evening.

#### The Portland Alumni.

The gathering of the Maine graduates took place at the Falmouth Hotel in Portland, under the presidency of the Hon. George E. B. Jackson of that city. Nearly every New England chapter was represented, the members of the Kappa, of course, predominating. Early in the evening a business session was held, and a carefully elaborated constitution discussed and adopted, the permanent organization taking the name of "The Maine Psi Upsilon Association," the officers being as follows:—*President*, The Hon. Lewis Pierce (*K* 1852); *Vice-Presidents*, Mr. D. D. Patten (*Z* 1855), Gen. C. C. Hamlin (*K* 1857), The Hon. W. P. Frye, M. C. (*K* 1850), Mr. L. A. Emery (*K* 1861), Mr. F. H. Boardman (*K* 1869), and Mr. H. H. Burbank (*K* 1860); *Secretary*, Mr. C. A. Ring (*K* 1868); *Treasurer*, Mr. J. F. Clark (*K* 1867); *Executive Committee*, Mr. J. F. Clark (*K* 1867), W. K. Oakes (*K* 1870), and Mr. R. E. Gould (*K* 1873.) After the adjournment of the first meeting of the Association the members seated themselves at the table. A delegation of undergraduates from the Kappa was present and rendered in excellent style a large number of Fraternity songs. Before the toasts an oration was delivered by the Hon. Chas. E. Clifford (*K* 1849), his theme being "Our Duties to the State as Educated Men." This address was listened to with deep interest, and many of its sentiments were greeted with applause. Then followed the responses to toasts and the reading of congratulatory telegrams from various cities and individuals. The Boston telegram read: "The Boston Psi Upsilon send congratulations and cordial pledges, eighty-three graduates being present." The answer sent was, "Portland responds with thirty hearty cheers." The local journals state that "All present regarded the meeting as a perfect success and wished for many annual recurrences of this true old-fashioned Psi U gathering." The *Portland Argus* adds the statement that "Psi Upsilon has seventeen Chapters and over five thousand members, while its influence in the advancement of literary and social culture is believed to be unsurpassed by any College Fraternity in the land.

#### The St. Paul Alumni.

Arrangements had been made for a full assemblage of the graduates residing in the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, which are separated from each other only a short distance; but the dreadful disaster at the latter city, which occurred not many hours before, greatly interfered with the attendance of members. Among those who came together at the Metropolitan Hotel, were the Hon. Rensselaer R. Nelson (*B* 1846), Judge of the United States Circuit Court, who filled the position of Chairman; the Rev. Edward D. Neill (*I* 1842), President of Macalister College,

one of the most active of the Founders of the Chapter at Amherst; the Rev. Jabez Brooks, D. D. (*Z* 1850); Professor of Greek at the University of Minnesota; the Rev. Henry A. Stimson (*B* 1865), Pastor of Plymouth Church of Minneapolis; and Mr. J. W. Willes (*Z* 1877), who acted as Secretary. After a pleasant discussion concerning the state of the Fraternity it was resolved to call a general meeting at an early day with a view of forming a Minnesota Psi Upsilon Association; it was also voted that Judge Nelson, and the Rev. Dr. Brooks should be a committee to transmit to Judge Hadley, President of the Convention at Rochester, the following telegram:—"The members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, resident in the dual cities of the Northwest—St. Paul and Minneapolis—mindful of Our noble Fraternity, send greeting to the Brothers of the Fraternity in General Convention assembled." One of the principal speeches of the evening was that of the Rev. Mr. Neill, whose valuable publications relating to the earlier periods of our national existence are so highly appreciated by historical scholars.

#### The Washington Alumni.

The Fraternity's graduates residing in the Capitol of the nation had a very agreeable reunion and an excellent dinner at the Maison D'Oreè, the famous Washington restaurant. Six Chapters had representatives present, viz: the *B*, *I*, *Z*, *K*, *Φ*, and *Ω*. Gen. R. D. Mussey (*Z* 1854), as temporary chairman, received the guests with an address of welcome, after which Hon. W. W. Rice, M. C. (*K* 1846), selected as the presiding officer, and Mr. H. C. Bliss (*Z* 1868), as Secretary of the evening. Among the other participants in the gathering were the Hon. George B. Loring, M. C., a widely known and devoted member of the Gamma; the Rev. J. L. Townsend, D. D. (*I* 1847); Judge W. B. Snell (*K* 1845); George Hazeltine, LL. D. (*Z* 1854); the Hon. J. H. Goodenow (*K* 1852), lately U. S. Consul-General at Constantinople; Mr. Walter Allen (*B* 1863), of the *Boston Advertiser*; and A. C. Adams, M. D. (*Φ* 1870). Telegrams were received from the General Convention; from Governor Rice, the presiding officer at Boston; from Philadelphia and other places. The Boston one was responded to as follows: "The Federal Capitol greets the 'Hub' with Psi Upsilon congratulations." A few of the resident graduates were kept at home, either by official business or by ill health, letters of regret being read from the Rev. Byron Sunderland (*A* 1841), Chaplain of the U. S. Senate; the Hon. W. P. Frye, M. C. (*K* 1850), the well known Republican leader of the House of Representatives; and the Hon. John H. McGowan, M. C. (*Φ* 1861). Psi Upsilon songs were sung under the leadership of Mr. M. B. Cushman (*I* 1861). Speeches were made by General Mussey, Congressmen Rice and Loring, Mr. Cordial Storrs (*B* 1830), Professor Peter Collier, Ph. D. (*B* 1861), Mr. Frank H. Howe (*Φ* 1870) and Mr. C. R. Dean of the Omega. The officers of the Washington Psi Upsilon Association for 1878-9 are: *President*, The Hon. W. W. Rice (*K* 1846); *Vice-President*, Judge W. B. Snell

(K 1845); *Secretary*, Gen. R. D. Mussey (Z 1854), 508 Fifth St.; *Treasurer*, Mr. H. C. Bliss (Z 1868). These officers, together with the Rev. Dr. Townsend constitute the Executive Committee. As in Chicago and elsewhere the programme was of admirable typographical execution and a selection of Fraternity songs was printed for the occasion.

#### Other Places.

It is understood that graduate reunions also took place in Detroit and San Francisco, although no detailed accounts of the proceedings have come to hand. A telegram from the Alumni of the former city was received at the General Convention. On the evening of May 4, the Xi, the Chi, and some other Chapters held receptions, to which graduates were invited, and at which telegrams were interchanged with the Convention. At Middletown the Hon. A. B. Calef (Ξ 1851) presided; at Ithaca the chair was taken by Mr. W. E. Lucas (X 1877), one of the instructors in Cornell University. There were a few other local gatherings, mostly, however, of slight importance. But the enthusiasm, the large attendance and the general character of the principal assemblages described above, leave nothing to be desired. They show how strong are the ties which bind to the Fraternity its constantly increasing circle of members.

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## THE DIAMOND.

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MAY OF THE FRATERNITY YEAR XLVI.

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*The recent General Convention unanimously adopted a resolution approving the publication of THE DIAMOND. Many members expressed a desire that it should be made the official organ of the Fraternity. It is probable, therefore, that the editorship of the journal will be transferred to the Secretary of the Executive Council as soon as the completion of the Catalogue shall enable that officer to give the necessary time to its management.*

An example every way worthy of imitation has just been set by an eminent member of the Psi Upsilon, President White (B 1853), of Cornell University, who, unsolicited, has forwarded copies of some of his publications to the various Chapters. The statement of this fact affords an excellent opportunity of saying that each Chapter library ought to possess a collection of the works issued by members of the Chapter, and that such a collection could be made in every instance.

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#### THE CONVENTION'S WORK.

However many sins of omission may be fairly charged upon the representatives of the Chapters at the late Annual gathering, they can certainly not be rightfully accused of any sins of commission. The work of the Convention, so

far as it went, was assuredly beyond criticism, and every resolution adopted can hardly fail to conduce to the welfare of the Fraternity. The principal matter to which the Convention, from lack of time, failed to give proper consideration, was the question of an increased salary for the Secretary of the Council. The arduous labors of this official are very inadequately remunerated by the paltry pittance now annually voted. The Fraternity, in filling this important position, ought to secure the highest ability at its command, and ought, too, to be willing to pay for it. It is to be hoped that before the next Convention assembles, some scheme may be devised by which something like a proper compensation can be placed at the disposal of an officer so burdened with work.

One of the Convention's earliest acts was to indicate its wish that the Convention of 1879 should be with the Beta. That Chapter—the third in the list—was founded in 1839, and consequently, completes next year the fourth decade of its history. To commemorate this anniversary the Beta's active members unanimously petitioned that New Haven should be the seat of the next General Convention. Precedent would have given the gathering of 1879 to the Iota, but the representatives of the Kenyon Chapter chivalrously yielded the privilege to Yale. This action will certainly promote the convenience of the Eastern Chapters, and, it may be said, of the whole Fraternity, since it brings the representatives of the various branches once more together in New England before they are called upon to assemble with the two most remote Western Chapters. With the present large active membership of the Beta there can be no doubt that the General Convention of 1879 will be the most brilliant on record. The long line of eminent graduates which adorns her Chapter-list—embracing men of the highest distinction in every profession—affords abundant material from which to select the honorary officers of the occasion; while the number of the Beta's sons resident in the lower New England States and in the city of New York, renders it an easy matter to convoke an unusually large assemblage.

The Convention did wisely, too, in retaining nearly all the members of last year's Executive Council. For the first time since the establishment in 1869 of this central administrative board, its sessions during the last twelve months have been regularly held and fully attended. The Fraternity could hardly afford to lose the services of men who have shown themselves both able and willing to take care of its interests. The only change made in the membership of the Council was in no wise urgent or essential, but was done at the request of the Theta, that the mother Chapter might be for the first time represented. Of the other business transacted, the adoption of Fraternity colors at least ends a long and wordy dispute which has occupied the time and attention of many of the recent Conventions. The colors selected—garnet and gold—are doubtless the best which, in the multiplicity of hues already claimed by various Universities and Associations, could have been chosen. Whatever may be thought of their

symbolic meaning, these colors are artistically correct and form a combination not unpleasant to the eye.

### FRATERNITY NEWS.

**Γ.**—On Tuesday evening, May 24, the Gamma had a musical entertainment of a high order. The programme, which was neatly printed, is as follows:—PART I.—1. "College Chorus" (p. 10); 2. Piano Solo (Beethoven, op. 10, No. 3) by Mr. A. D. Bissell; 3. "Forsaken," by the Chapter Quartette; 4. Flute Solo, "Vergissmeinnicht" (Terschak) by Mr. E. Ayers; 5. Song, "The Day is done" (Balse) by Mr. J. J. Chickering. PART II.—1. "Jubilee Song" (p. 19); 2. Violin Solo, "La Fille du Regiment" (Donizetti) by Mr. Neal Mitchell; 3. "Vocal March" (Buck) by the Quartette; 4. Song, "Nancy Lee" (Sullivan) by Mr. G. D. Adams; 5. Piano Duett, overture to "Figaro" (Mozart) by Mr. A. D. Bissell and Mr. E. H. Dickin-son; 6. Impromptu. The selections were finely rendered and heartily received by the active members and the alumni who were present.

**I.**—A movement for the erection of a Chapter House, at Gambier has been fairly started by the present undergraduate members of the Chapter. This project will certainly enlist the sympathy of the entire Fraternity, and will especially receive, it is hoped, the cordial support of the many wealthy and influential graduates of the Iota.

**Λ.**—Not only the member of the Lambda, but Psi Upsilon in general will await with interest the result of the Henley regatta. Of the four-oared crew sent by Columbia to encounter the representatives of the British University, both the stroke and bow are members of the Lambda.

**Φ.**—The Phi Glee Club, of which so much has been heard lately, is composed of the following members:—*First Tenor*: Mr. Oren Dunham, '79, (leader), Toledo, Ohio; Mr. F. L. Bliss, '77, Jackson, Michigan; Mr. D. H. Stringham, '78, Ann Arbor, Michigan. *Second tenor*: Mr. A. V. R. Pond, '80, Quincy, Michigan; Mr. T. J. Wrampelmeier, Louisville, Kentucky. *First bass*: Mr. P. B. Loomis, jr., '80, Jackson, Michigan; Mr. E. H. Ranney, '76, Kalamazoo, Michigan. *Second bass*: Mr. C. Belmont, '81, Boston, Massachusetts; Mr. B. L. D'Ooge, '81, Grand Rapids, Michigan. *Pianist*: Mr. H. C. Post, '79, Grand Rapids, Michigan.—Mr. Charles Milton Lightner, '81, of Detroit, has been lately admitted to the Chapter.

**Χ.**—The flag of the Chi floated the other day over the Chapter House, in celebration of the marriage of one of the Chapter's members, Professor A. N. Prentiss of Cornell. Subsequently the Chapter Glee Club serenaded Professor and Mrs. Prentiss, who, at a later date, gave a reception to the Chapter.—Mr. N. A. Randolph, '79 has just resumed active membership after a year's stay abroad.—Mr. Frederick D. White, '80, son of President White, returns from Europe this autumn, and will then rejoin his class.—Mr. W. H. Carpenter, '79, and M. C. H. McKinstry, '80, will shortly leave for the old world, the former intending to spend some years at a German University.—Mr. W. H. Carpenter, '79, and Mr. C. P. Bacon, '79, are two of the editors of *Cocagne*, the new humorous journal of Cornell.

**Ψ.**—Professor Willard Fiske (Ψ 1851) sails for Europe June 15.

**Ω.**—The remarkably flourishing state of the Chapter at the University of Chicago is shown by the fact that it now possesses the largest membership in its history.

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