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THE LEYDEN GATHERING.

On the first day of July, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, there convened at the Hôtel du Lion d'Or in the city of Leyden, the principal University town of Holland, a body of Psi Upsilon; representing several different Chapters. The meeting organized by the election of Br. Waterman T. Hewett (*Γ* 1868) as Presiding Officer; Br. Harold L. Coffin (*X* 1879) as Secretary; Br. William H. Carpenter (*X* 1879) as Corresponding Secretary; and Br. Charles H. McKinsty (*X* 1880) as Usher. The Brother President called the assembly to order, and congratulated those present upon their good fortune in being able to gather around the fraternal shrine in the ancient town of Leyden, an event which it is pretty certain had never occurred before, and which might not again take place in the present generation. The Brother Secretary then read several letters, among which were the following:—

FROM BR. J. T. GOODWIN (*A*), CAPTAIN OF THE COLUMBIA CREW.

HENLEY ON THAMES, JUNE 25.

DEAR BROTHER:—Yours of June 24th is just received, and I hasten to answer. I thank you very much for your kind wishes for our success. We are all well, and in the best of spirits, and are doing all that lies in our power to prepare ourselves for the great work that is before us. I shall be very glad to meet you on the Fourth of July, and sooner if you can find it convenient to come.

It would give me great pleasure to be able to meet with your company of Psi Upsilon brothers, but duty prevents. There are three Psi U men in our party, Mr. E. E. Sage, Mr. Charles Eldredge and myself; and we all send our best wishes to those who shall meet with you. Tell them all that we should be glad to greet them at Henley before we leave, and should like very much to see them here at the race.

Though we cannot be with you at the meeting our hearts will be there, and everywhere that there may be a gathering of true Psi Upsilon men. Hoping that you may all enjoy the meeting as we should enjoy such an one, I am yours in the bonds of Psi U,
J. T. GOODWIN.

FROM BROTHER F. D. WHITE (*X* 1880).

PARIS, JUNE 26, 1878.

DEAR BROTHER-COFFIN:—I greatly regret that I cannot attend the proposed Psi Upsilon meeting in Holland. I have no doubt that you will have a glorious time, and wish I might enjoy it with you, but circumstances unfortunately prevent. Permit me to suggest that a second European meeting be held in Paris during the Exposition period. There are several members of the Fraternity residing in this city, all of whom would enjoy such a gathering,—a gathering so likely to revive the pleasant memories of their college life and the delights of old Psi U.

Present my fraternal regard to all who may participate in the meeting and believe me yours in the bonds,
FRED. D. WHITE.

After several enlivening speeches, and the singing of many Fraternity songs the following resolutions, proposed by Br. W. Fiske (*Ψ* 1851) were seconded and unanimously passed:—

Resolved, That our best thanks are due to the students

of the University of Leyden for the cordial and sumptuous welcome given to the participants in this meeting, and that a letter to that effect be addressed to them by Br. Hewett.

Resolved, That copies of the *General Catalogue* of the Psi Upsilon and of the *Songs of the Fraternity* be transmitted to the library of the Student Corps of Leyden.

It was also determined that those present should make strenuous efforts to organize similar meetings in London, Leipsic, Berlin and Paris within the next twelve months, and that lists of the Psi Upsilon residents of those cities should be compiled by the Secretary.

HAROLD L. COFFIN (*X* 1879), *Secretary*.

The above official report does not tell the whole story. On the previous evening all the Psi Upsilon, who had reached Leyden, were entertained by some sixty undergraduates of the University of Leyden in the magnificent building of the Student Corps—through all the halls of which they had been obligingly shown during the afternoon. The address of welcome was delivered by the President of the Corps in English, and was responded to by Br. Hewett in Dutch. The long and pleasant evening was occupied by feasting, by speeches and by songs. Psi Upsilon and other American student-songs were sung in alternation with Dutch student-songs—one of the latter, the famous "Io Vivat," being rendered with a fervor and excellence which made a marked impression on the strangers present. The sitting lasted until late at night. At its close the Psi Upsilon guests were escorted to their hotel by several of the company, and half an hour afterwards were serenaded by the Glee Club of the Corps. On the next day the Psi Upsilon attended the intercollegiate boat races on the Rhine at Leyden, occupying prominent seats on the grand stand, which had been assigned them by their attentive hosts. Those who took part in this Psi Upsilon gathering—probably the largest ever held in Europe—will not soon forget it.

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A CAPITAL LETTER.

In response to inquiries in regard to his profession, titles and publications, for the purposes of the new General Catalogue, a member of the Beta (1843) returned the following humorous reply, dated at Philadelphia:—

I duly received your letters of January 6th and February 20th, and owe you an apology for my delay in replying to them. There was no intention of treating your requests with any disrespect, but your first letter called a halt in the active pursuits of my profession (that of a lawyer), and my retrospect was so filled with failures that I had scarcely the courage to write to you about them. I could not say that my life had been without ambition, but in stating any positions which I may have filled, I realized that they were such humble ones as hardly to deserve mention, and that to specify them seemed to dignify them with some supposed importance. You can understand that a man who could respond that he had been Governor, or Senator, or even a member of Congress, would welcome with alacrity the opportunity which your letters give him of an-

nouncing his dignities, but can you not as well understand that the man who has reached none of these offices would hardly be eager to proclaim his untitled life?

I cannot properly answer your letters by saying that I have never held any office, for I have occupied the worthy positions of member of Councils of this city in 1856 and 1861, and member of the Committee appointed by citizens to draft a consolidation law for the city, whereby the different districts, into which the county was divided, were consolidated under one municipal law—this was in 1853-4—but these offices were very much like the young woman's baby, born out of wedlock, so small as not to be worth making a fuss about. My life has been one of aspiration rather than fruition, and circumstances over which I had no control have rather been against me.

I have been three times asked to run for Judge in different rural districts, but had not the heart to leave the wickedness and civilization of the metropolis. What could a man do without his club? I have been twice candidate for Congress, once in 1860 and again in 1864, and twice defeated, being of the Democratic faith in a sadly Republican community. I was appointed by the late Chief Justice Woodward, upon his election to the gubernatorial chair of this State in 186—, Attorney General of the State, but the "necessities of the occasion" required that Judge Woodward should be counted out, notwithstanding his majority, and this was done in the usual patriotic way, and I never received my appointment in form. If patriotism, that is the necessities of the Republican party, would have allowed that impartial body, the Electoral Commission, to have given Mr. Tilden the presidential chair, I understand that my professional friends proposed to present my name for the office of United States District Attorney of this district. The newspapers will inform you why the administration has been saved from considering that recommendation.

I have stumped the State on various occasions, without, in any case, the candidate of my enthusiastic efforts being successful. In fact I have only to espouse a cause or a man to have it or him defeated. Like most unsuccessful men I have become a philosopher, that is a man who don't care much about things. Military and civil outrages fail to move me. I recognize their necessity in politics as much as that of inquisitorial persecution in religion. I have reached that perfect point that whilst man delights not me, nor woman either, they give me no annoyance. My efforts are now exclusively directed to extracting the largest amount of personal enjoyment from my surroundings. My digestion is magnificent, my conscience void of offence, and my memory delightfully uncertain. There are but two drawbacks to my perfect happiness; one is the annual recurrence of a severe autumnal catarrh, *i. e.* hay-fever; the other is an occasional attack of the gout. Medical authority, however, assures me that these diseases are a sign of health, or something to that effect, and I am content. There is another comfort too; they have never yet attacked me at the same time, and I have the consolation of the old English divine, who suffered from gout and gravel, and who found great relief when he had the gout by thanking God that it was not the gravel, and when he had the gravel that it was not the gout. You see what a simple scheme of enjoyment some people have.

As to authorship I have positively written nothing except the necessary legal opinions in my profession and business letters (saving and excepting some occasional verses—this, however, is communicated under the pledge of eternal secrecy). The debates with Judge Kelly, to which you refer, are very crude. They were mostly delivered without preparation, and are printed from the short-hand writer's notes, in most cases without revision.

You will see, therefore, as I hinted, that I am extremely embarrassed in replying to you. The length of my letter shows that. I have tried to treat with proper courtesy your kind inquiries and, at the same time, do justice to an uneventful life. You have made me recall the past—the

most unsatisfactory thing a mortal can do. How appropriate to most persons the legend on their tombs, "Here lies one whose name was writ in water!"

If you should ever find your way to Philadelphia pray do me the favor to call on me—and do not consider this letter as written with any intention of giving you a flippant answer to your inquiries. I respect your desire for information, but cannot give you any data for a biography.

Although the name of the writer of this letter is here omitted not a few members of the Fraternity will recognize its genial style and happy humor as characteristic of one who holds a prominent position in the Psi Upsilon Alumni Association of Philadelphia.

THE DIAMOND.

NOVEMBER OF THE FRATERNITY YEAR XLVI.

The success of THE DIAMOND, during its first year, has been far greater than its projectors ever dared to anticipate, and what is more to the purpose, it seems to have been, in not a few ways, of some substantial benefit to the Fraternity. The December issue—a double number, to supply the deficiency caused by the non-publication of the journal in September—will be the last under its present management. With January the Executive Council will assume the control of its pages, and subscriptions for the year 1879 should be sent to Mr. CHARLES W. SMILEY, Secretary, Madison, New Jersey.

The autumnal elections resulted in placing at least six members of the Psi Upsilon in the next Congress. These are the Hon. George B. Loring (Γ 1857), the Hon. William W. Rice (K 1846)—President of the Psi Upsilon Association at Washington—and the Hon. Walbridge A. Field (Z 1855), whose speech at the May Psi Upsilon banquet in Boston will be well remembered,—all from Massachusetts; the Hon. Joseph R. Hawley (Ψ 1847), Orator at the Psi Upsilon Conventions of 1869 and 1877, from Connecticut; the Hon. John H. McGowan (Φ 1861) from Michigan; and the Hon. William P. Frye (K 1850) from Maine. The Fraternity loses one member in the new House of Representatives—the Hon. Clarkson N. Potter (Θ 1842), who declined a re-nomination—and gains two, Congressmen Field and Hawley. It is worthy of note that, in one Massachusetts district, two members of the Fraternity, Mr. Rice and the Hon. Eli Thayer (Σ 1845) were the opposing candidates of the two parties.

From the new General Catalogue it is seen that there are 93 members of the Fraternity who have Psi Upsilon sons. Of these 8 (Calef Ξ 51, Farnum Σ 52, Greeley Z 45, Munro Ψ 46, Reid B 47, Roberts Ξ 48, Smith Ψ 46, and Walker B 44), have each two sons in the Fraternity; 2 (Trumbull B 42 and Waterman Σ 46), have each three sons; while 2 (Tyler Γ 30 and Stuart Γ 33), have each four sons. It turns out that there are 345 groups of brothers in the Psi Upsilon, including 774 individuals. Among these there are 2 groups of 6 brothers each (the Smyths of the Kappa and the Whites of the Beta); 3 groups of 5 brothers each (the Dakins of the Psi, the Thachers of the Beta and the

Lewis of the Zeta); 10 groups of 4 brothers each; 47 groups of 3 brothers each; and 283 groups of 2 brothers each. Groups of six brothers at a single college are very rare—the only well known instance down to the middle of this century being the famous one of the Coltons at Yale, of whom the later three were all members of the Beta, and we may take it for granted that the earlier three would have been had the Chapter been in existence in their day. But it is even stranger that six brothers should belong to one and the same college association, and it is doubtful whether any other organization than the Psi Upsilon can furnish instances of this character. Six Psi U brothers might, with good grace, hold domestic meetings of their own, or even form themselves into a complete organization—the Smyth Chapter or the White Chapter!

In these days of energetic attempts to erect Chapter Houses for the various branches of the Psi Upsilon—and at least half a dozen Chapters have raised considerable sums for this beneficial purpose—each graduate member of the Fraternity naturally has occasion to ask himself this question, "What shall I give towards providing my Chapter with an edifice of its own?" Of course a general reply to this query should be "Give what you can afford." But this answer would, in not a few cases, leave the questioner still embarrassed, for he may be able to give even more than is necessary. For these the subject may perhaps be elucidated by citing the example of the Xi Chapter House at Wesleyan. That handsome structure cost nearly or quite \$15,000, and was all paid for at its occupancy. The list of subscribers comprised 174 names. Several contributed over \$100 each, of whom only five or six gave \$500 each. The bulk of the subscriptions ranged between \$25 and \$100. It will not be a difficult matter for almost any son of the Psi Upsilon, whose memory still stretches back to his pleasant undergraduate days—that sunny summer of life—to contribute at least the smallest sum mentioned above. But among the alumni of the Fraternity there are doubtless many to whom it would be more convenient to distribute their gifts over three or four years, and they should not hesitate to say so in answering an appeal of this kind, stating how much they will give annually and for how many years—the best time to make each installment payable being probably January 1st. It is especially desirable, however, that every brother should contribute his mite, even if it be small. All ought to participate and all will be pleased to participate in a work so good, and which is to be of such great aid in promoting, at our principal colleges, a wholesome and cultivated student life; for wherever the Chapter House system has been tried the advantageous effect has been immediately apparent. Even setting aside the question of a man's loyalty to the venerated Fraternity, even giving no weight to the thousand agreeable reminiscences of his active Psi Upsilon days, a person with whom fortune has dealt kindly can hardly find a better way than this, if he desire to do his share toward making the next and all coming generations of Americans true gentlemen and real scholars. Nor do the undergraduates of our Fraternity ask this boon of their elders, without first giving proof of their own willingness

to act in the matter. In at least two instances, among the Chapters now engaged in this work, sums exceeding \$2500 have been pledged by the present active members. Such liberal contributions show how acutely they feel the lack of a home for their Chapters. From a Fraternity point of view there is no doubt that the desired edifices will be of the highest benefit. Rapid as has been the development of the Psi Upsilon in the past few years, its growth, in every sense and in every direction, will be far greater when each of the branches into which it is divided shall be provided with a permanent abiding-place.

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FRATERNITY NOTES.
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§.—Br. Isaac S. Signor (Ψ 1870) has been obliged to retire from the Executive Council in consequence of his removal to a distance from New York City. In him the Council loses a hearty member. The vacancy has not yet been filled.

Θ.—A systematic and zealous effort is shortly to be made to provide the oldest Chapter of the Fraternity with a proper Chapter-house.—The Chapter has recently added to its membership one from the class of 1881 and one from the class of 1882.—Tutor S. W. Buck (Θ 1876) has severed his connection with the University. The present Psi Upsilon members of the Faculty are Professor W. Lamoroux (Θ 1844) and Professor I. B. Price (Θ 1872).

Δ.—The second Chapter of the Fraternity has just established itself in handsome Chapter Rooms at 10 Clinton Place, corner of Mercer street, New York city, where it will be glad to receive any visiting Psi Upsilon. Its initiates the present fall are as follows:—Mr. J. K. Dix, Clifton, N. Y., and Mr. H. P. Morrison, New York city, of 1880; Mr. B. Ayerigg Jr., Passaic, N. J., Mr. B. A. Capwell, Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. G. H. Hazen, Haddam, Conn., Mr. J. U. Henriques, New York city, and Mr. F. S. Wheeler, Brooklyn, N. Y., of 1881; Mr. H. F. Bell, Patterson, N. J., Mr. J. H. Fish, Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. C. H. G. Jones, Sailor's Snug Harbor, N. Y. and Mr. C. W. Perry, New York city, of 1882. Of the nine elected members of the New York legislature in the city of Brooklyn, the candidate who received the largest plurality was Col-William W. Stephenson (Δ 1854), who, since his graduation, has more than once displayed his continued regard for the Fraternity.

B.—The additional initiates of the Yale Chapter this term are Mr. S. C. Partridge of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mr. W. H. Sherman of Providence, R. I., making a delegation in the Junior Class of 39. Among the active members are Mr. Doremus Scudder, son of the Rev. H. M. Scudder, D. D. (Δ 1840), and Mr. Stephen Trumbull, son of the Rev. David Trumbull, D. D. (B 1842).—At Yokohama, Japan, died suddenly, the 18th of November, Mr. Frederic L. Auchincloss (B 1871). The venerable and venerated William Taylor (Θ 1838), writing of him, says:—He was a fine Christian gentleman. His father, John, and his uncle, Hugh, were Scotch, and were, for many years, respected merchants in New York city."

Σ.—Mr. Thomas H. Hurlburt formerly of the Phi has become an active member of the Sigma in the Class of 1880.

Λ.—After admitting twelve men a few weeks since the Lambda has recently initiated five more, the names and residences of whom are here given:—Mr. L. W. Hotchkiss, Brooklyn, N. Y., of 1881; Mr. B. P. Clark, Mr. L. G. Romaine, Mr. H. Emerson, Jr., and Mr. N. White, Jr.—all residents of New York city and members of the Class of 1882. Mr. N. B. Woodworth, New York city, of 1881, had been previously initiated

K.—The Bowdoin Chapter admitted to membership this autumn the following nine persons from the class of 1882:

—Mr. G. F. Bates, Yarmouth, Me., Mr. J. M. Curtis, Brunswick, Me., Mr. C. H. Gilman, Portland, Me., Mr. A. H. Perry, Brunswick, Me., Mr. W. O. Plimpton, Litchfield, Me., Mr. F. M. Porter, Searsport, Me., Mr. H. H. Stinson, and Mr. John Washburn, both of Hallowell, Me., and Mr. H. T. Waterhouse, Portland, Me. They are reported to form an admirable delegation.

Ψ.—This Fall's initiates of the Psi are Mr. G. H. Lawton, Rome, N. Y., Mr. E. C. Sherman, Springville, N. Y., and Mr. R. L. Taylor, Rome, N. Y.—all of the Class of 1882.—The Chapter has met with a loss in the decease of Br. Alexander Ostrander (Ψ 1847), who died in Brooklyn, N. Y., in October.—The Chapter, without regard to politics, rejoices at the election to Congress of Gen. Hawley. Among the other results of the autumnal elections rounding to the credit of the Psi is the return of Mr. Charles H. Toll (Ψ 1872), an enthusiastic Psi Upsilon, to the Colorado Legislature.

Ξ.—The Ayers Prize for best collegiate preparation at Wesleyan—a prize founded by Daniel Ayers, LL.D., (Ξ 1842)—has just been taken by Mr. H. P. Jerrell of the Xi. Mr. Jerrell was prepared for college, in large part, by Professor H. C. Whiting, (Θ 1867) at Hackettstown, N. J.—The names of the 1882 initiates are Mr. G. M. Broadhead, Stroudsburg, Pa., Mr. W. L. Burdick, East Greenwich, R. I., Mr. D. B. Cox, Springfield, Vt., Mr. L. L. Davis, Glens Falls, N. Y., Mr. B. M. Gallien, Albany, N. Y., Mr. K. P. Harrington, Middletown, Conn., Mr. F. K. Hallock, Cromwell, Conn., Mr. H. P. Jerrell, Bridgeton, N. Y., Mr. H. H. Kynett, Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. W. A. Mott, Middletown, Conn., Mr. W. M. Puffer, Richford, Vt., Mr. J. B. Smith, Springfield, Mass., Mr. W. M. Tisdale, Potsdam, N. Y., and Mr. H. S. White, Canastota, N. Y.—THE DIAMOND has hitherto neglected to notice at the proper length one matter of interest connected with the Xi. Although the Chapter occupied its new building nearly a year ago the formal dedication took place at the recent Commencement, when over one hundred members of the Fraternity were present, the graduates coming back very generally, some even arriving from a great distance. The Beta, Zeta, Lambda, Delta and Phi were also represented. The parlors were opened to invited guests from the city and college from five to eight in the afternoon, and among those present were President Foss and family, Bishop Harris, various members of the Faculty and board of Trustees, together with prominent citizens with ladies. The house was profusely decorated with paintings and flowers through the kindness of the "Psi U ladies." The members of the Fraternity sang many of the Psi U songs and in excellent taste. Among the guests were many members of other Fraternities, all of whom seemed to enjoy the occasion. There was an entire absence of that stiffness and rigid formality that is so often noticed at such times. All was dignified, and nothing tended to mar the enjoyment of any person present. The large hall was not opened till ten, when the brothers assembled after the close of the Oration in the College Chapel by that distinguished Brother of the Gamma, E. P. Whipple. The formal dedication consisted of an Address by the Hon. A. B. Calef; Presentation of the building to the Trustees by the Hon. D. Ward Northrop, in behalf of the Building Committee; a reply by Rev. Joseph E. King, D. D., on behalf of the graduates and by F. B. Lynch, in behalf of the undergraduates; and the dedicatory prayer by Prof. C. S. Harrington, D. D. The tables having been renewed since the public reception the Fraternity again indulged in refreshments and spent the remaining time till 4 o'clock in singing, speech making and such enjoyments as are common to Psi U reunions. All regarded the affair as a great success. The Reception Committee consisted of Professor J. C. Van Benschoten, LL.D., the Hon. D. Ward Northrop, Mr. M. B. Copeland, Tutor J. P. Gordy and Mr. H. M. Warren.

Γ.—The address of Mr. Almon C. Bacon (Γ 1858),

which was asked for in the April DIAMOND, has now been ascertained. He is at present connected with the Cherokee Seminary, among whose earliest teachers were members of the Beta, at Tahlequah, Indian Territory.

I.—The four members of the class of 1882 admitted to the Iota are Mr. G. F. Anderson, Sandusky, O., Mr. L. L. H. Austin, Dresden, O., Mr. W. C. Pennock, Cardington, O., and Mr. F. G. Willard, Ironton, O. They are regarded as a strong delegation, and the Chapter looks forward to an active future.

Φ.—The usual annual banquet given by the Psi Upsilon Alumni Association of Detroit to the Phi Chapter took place on the evening of Tuesday, November 26, at the Brunswick Hotel in that city. The participation was general. A special palace car brought the guests from Ann Arbor (some 70 miles), headed by Professor Charles K. Adams, LL.D. (Φ 1861), Professor Martin L. D'Ooge (Φ 1862), Professor George S. Morris (Z 1861), and the Rev. John T. Magrath (K 1862), and including all the active members of the Chapter. The visitors were met at the railroad station by the reception committee and escorted to the Brunswick. At the meeting in the early part of the evening the Hon. Elisha Taylor (Θ 1837) presided, and on taking the chair said:—"Forty-five years ago day before yesterday at the old West College, Schenectady, in an upper room with a low ceiling, was held a meeting of seven brethren who organized the first Chapter of the Psi Upsilon. They were Samuel Goodale and Sterling G. Hadley, then of Egremont, Mass.; George W. Tuttle of Windham, N. Y.; Charles W. Harvey of Albany, N. Y.; Edward Martindale of Sandy Hill, N. Y.; Merwin H. Stewart of Troy, N. Y.; and my room-mate, Robert Barnard of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. I had known for a long time that a movement was on foot to organize the Society, but I was not one of the original members. I joined the Chapter, however, a few weeks after its organization. Since my college days I have never, until now, been able to attend a reunion of Psi U's. I do not find the Fraternity's principles altered. At that early date, as now, the avowed object of the Society was brotherly love, and surely we all have reason to feel proud of the wonderful success of the organization and to feel grateful for it." Mr. Taylor referred exultingly to the high moral standing of the Fraternity, and to the celebrity which had been won by so many of its members, and closed with the story of the man, who, when dying, said he had one reflection with which to console himself in his last moments—he never made a long speech just before supper. After a brief address by Professor Adams the company, seventy-five in number, entered the dining hall. "Each guest," says the account in one of the Detroit journals, "found the badge of the order, a finger bouquet and a button hole bouquet beside his plate. Hanging baskets of natural flowers and foliage plants freshened the room with sweet perfume, while song birds in gilt cages vied with each other in the volume and delicacy of their music." Amid such charming surroundings the feast began and lasted until a late hour, the Rev. Calvin Stebbins (Γ 1862) serving as toast-master. The songs were rendered by the Phi Glee Club. Responses were made to all the Chapter toasts except the Sigma, the Lambda, the Psi, the Upsilon and the Pi, of whom no members are residents of Detroit. The Association deserves all honor for its excellent management and generous hospitality.

Ω.—At the University of Chicago Mr. Henry Topping increases the Chapter membership in the Class of 1881, while Mr. O. D. Grover, Chicago, Mr. C. B. Hills Chicago, Mr. W. H. Morse, Polo, Ill., and Mr. A. F. Stowe, Chicago, have been admitted from the Class of 1882.

Π.—In the class of 1881 the Pi has admitted an additional member, Mr. W. M. Trumbower, Hackettstown, N. J. In the class of 1882 the recent initiates are Mr. S. B. Ayers, Penn Yan, N. Y., Mr. H. A. Dickinson, Cortland, N. Y., Mr. G. P. Loomis, Wilkesbarre, Pa., Mr. W. J. Stevens, Syracuse, N. Y. and Mr. J. L. Welter, Kingston, Pa.