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FRENCH ART—JEAN FRANÇOIS MILLET.

Versailles, with her towering heights and shining portals, holds, pictured on her walls, the history of a great nation. France, with the rosy tints of her sunset radiant on Alpine hills, and the darkest clouds of her mighty revolutions, is there unfolded on that canvas, which proudly defies any record to speak more distinctly to the eye or more effectively to the imagination. Here the observer lives over again in fancy the quiet pleasures or the riotous battle-scenes of cycles past. What voice has pictured Nature's most fearful or magnificent work? What tongue has communed with her spirit and shown us how she feels, and told us what she says? What mysterious word unspoken has caused our very blood to chill? Art is the great language — too great to admit its comprehension, but presenting to humanity something to be enjoyed and adored — a language of sentiment and of character, a language of national impulse and of individual genius.

"It is not like a science, a basket in which meat and drink may be carried, but a hand that points toward the sky."

Our eyes follow its direction and our souls follow our eyes. Art interprets nature, reveals religion, and seeks to reveal the mysteries of creative power.

In studying the great works of the world master of art, Michael Angelo, in the Sistine Chapel, one feels himself lifted out of his narrow environment and borne aloft into a higher world, in which he beholds his religious conceptions realized in worthy forms. There, framed in by gorgeous architectural arches and surrounded by beautiful angelic figures, appears the face of the Almighty, and, "as He points His right hand the sun blazes forth in the fulness of his power; while the left points to the dark round body—the moon—which has suddenly begun to be."

God creates; man imitates. How wonderful is this instinct manifest throughout all humanity. Art is the largest expression; creation its very breath;—not creation out of nothing, but creation from chaos, when the artist spirit broods over it, and light, order, and beauty come forth. The artist becomes an interpreter of life, and casts a halo of romance over the stern features of reality. "Only poetry can give account of poetry; only art can justify art." Yet we cannot hope to reach the termination of this expansive truth and enclose it in a circle, since it has in it something of infinity; but by it may we not remove a doubt growing of the very largeness which exalts and refreshes us? To cause art to illustrate the changing world and be illustrated by it, is only to give it its right place as the most distinct expression of the mind of man.

The history of ancient art begins with Egypt and closes with its burial in the catacombs. On its way it treats of Chaldea, Babylonia, Persia, Asia Minor, and Palestine.

Greek art, in its immense productiveness, forms an early period. Though many of her principles and practices may

be attributed to Egyptian and Babylonian influence, yet, in spite of all this, and notwithstanding what future revisions of history may force upon us, a crown of glory will ever rest on the brow of Greece. The Venetian and Roman painters inherited from Greece their artistic style.

French art, like American literature, for a long period borrowed her styles from foreign civilizations. The Second Empire again added a golden tinge to the Nation's future. She served an apprenticeship to Greece, Italy, and the Netherlands, until at length she has developed a peculiar style of her own, which has gained for France universal admiration. And now some of her master-pieces equal, if not surpass, any of the world's possessions. In her early years political dissensions and civil wars hindered her development, and when the country had gained her political stability, and was about to enter a career of great historical importance, the precedence over their French neighbors in the province of art was already taken by the Flemmings.

Though France soon ceased to be exclusively the recipient of instruction, she did not at once bid farewell to the parents of her genius. Antiquarian pursuits were casting the shadow of their influence on social life, and artists resorted to antiquity for their inspiration. The return to archaic subjects and forms appeared before the Revolution; while the Revolution itself, boasting of owing its inspiration to ancient republican institutions, enabled the new schools to develop latent powers. With the Restoration comes the introduction of modern French art. In her schools the disciples not only evinced an intelligent interest in art, but paid sincere homage to literary culture. They were enthusiastic admirers of Dante, and from Shakespeare, Byron, Goethe, and Scott drew their inspiration. The most interesting pages of their own national history were told in a beautifully harmonized

key of color. The whole of Europe now rang with their praises. The Second Empire again added a golden tinge to the Nation's future, and France attained the reputation due her merits. The massive architecture and art treasures of the Louvre unfolded a grandeur not inferior to the masterpieces of ancient and more recent times.

As the ancients exalted their heroes to the level of the immortal gods, and thronged their Pantheon to worship them, so we bow at the shrines of glorious names; we pay tribute to Rousseau, Dupré, and many other modern landscape painters. We behold with admiration Neuville's scenes of military life, and search the history of his successors. We are ever ready to speak in exalted tones of the talents of Messonier, Rosa Bonheur, and others. But with what reverence do we repeat the name of Jean François Millet, he whose mission it seemed to have been to cast a pleasing and poetic halo around the simple deeds of humble and domestic life. Step by step he reached the pinnacle of his genius, until to-day France, so long indifferent, pays to her dead painter an homage which she denied him while he lived. Yet amid her triumph and rejoicing, the festal show of banners, mottoes, and immortelles with which she delighted to honor the genius of her sacred dead, still she could not dissipate the shadow that embittered his whole life, and remains to recall the cold neglect and direful sneers which caused the struggling artist to drain the cup of sorrow and loneliness to the very dregs. How gladly now would France forget her past neglect! Every Frenchman is proud to think of Millet as his countryman, and America helps to swell the chorus of his praises. So the injustice of his life is repaired and the artist, though late, receives his due.

When the Bureau of Arts opened its doors to an exhibition of his works, all Paris thronged to behold those long-despised

but now, at last, appreciated pictures. Some were missing; "La Semeur," "La Femme aux Seux," and others had crossed the waters to America. Some had gone to England and Belgium. But the Angelus, most eloquent and touching of rural scenes, and the Gleaners, perhaps the grandest of all his pictures, were there! And in spite of the ever-widening gulf that divides the art of Millet from that of contemporary French painters, the exhibition proved a grand success. Ruskin has said: "Truth is the vital power of the whole school of art; truth its armor; truth its war-word." "Paint things as you see them," cried Rosetti. "Go to nature for your inspiration; it is there, close at hand, that beauty lies," was the motto of Millet. "There lies the truth," were the words he uttered as he watched the sun sink 'neath the horizon; "let us fight for it." So he fought and died, and the truth conquered. The Louvre revealed a wealth of grandeur to a soul alive to nature's beauties, as was that of Millet.

There Fra Angelico enshrouded him with dreams and visions of those gentle masters who produced the nobly beautiful, the pure and the true. Montaigne reached his heart, and the arrows of St. Sebastian pierced him through and through. His own words express his admiration as he drank in the harmony of the Sistine frescoes: "I have touched the heart and heard the speech of him who has haunted me all my life."

Millet did not render to his country the service of an imitator simply, but has left his influence as a master to be felt throughout the coming ages. Originality won him fame, and France may boast that one of her sons possessed the concentration of thought and intensity worthy of Michael Angelo.

In his "Gleaners" the women gleaning in a simple harvest field are expressive of the painter's motto: "Go to nature for your inspiration." The serene peace of evening renders the scene transportingly beautiful. The three figures with rhythmic movement bending to gather the golden grain are heroic types of labor actively pursuing its task until "the time cometh when no man shall work."

Here is a man who finds poetry in the fields, who loves the peasant and paints the Georgics after Virgil. In his *Angelus* he seeks to give the music of the distant church bells in those peasant figures who leave off work to pray at the sound of the Ave Maria. Following the exhibition of his works he received the "Cross of the Legion of Honor." His imitators are not few. How apparent is the influence of Millet in Haybourg's painting of the "Potatoe Gathering," now in Powers' art gallery at Rochester, N. Y., in which two figures stand out so clearly defined and with such intense personality against the autumn sky! The patient, resigned look of the woman, the deep thoughtfulness which has borne her mind far away from her rude occupation, the soft grey light diffused over all, and the rippling breezes which the observer almost feels murmur the name of Millet, who by his art gave to a simple attitude such mystery and meaning; to humble life such charm. He it was who opened men's eyes to the unregarded loveliness of common things; who made plain the tie which binds the joys and sorrows of life with the ever-increasing splendor of nature. He was born to a world that filled his soul with immortal longings. That his fame grew so slowly is the highest pledge of its endurance; and when the present generation shall have chanted its final praises, our successors will think of Millet not only as the most talented painter of

the nineteenth century, but also as one of the few in the whole art world who, through closest communion with nature are able to portray with almost prophetic vision the handiwork of nature's God.

OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Ohio University has the distinction of being the oldest institution of learning of advanced standing west of the Allegheny mountains. Provision for establishing such a school was made by the Government of the United States in 1787, under whose care it was strictly until the formation of the state of Ohio. The university was organized by the Ohio legislature in 1804. The trustees are appointed for life, the governor of the state being *ex-officio* a member, as is also the president of the faculty. It is a state institution wholly.

Students are given the option of one of these courses of study: the Classical, the Philosophical, the Pedagogical, the last being added quite lately. There is also a Preparatory Department.

Young ladies and gentlemen are admitted on equal terms. It has been satisfactorily shown that this is an act of wisdom; and it may be said in favor of the ladies, that they do honor to themselves and to the institution.

Students are not subjected to religious tests, but the best influences are used to lead them to right conduct in religion, as in morals.

There are regularly-maintained departments of Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Philosophy, Biology, Modern

Languages, Fine Art, English Literature, and Music, the heads of all of which have undergone special preparation for the work they "profess" to do. Ohio University is a member of the Association of Ohio Colleges, which implies a standing for admission which must be maintained.

It may be added that the well-known William H. McGuffey was president from 1839 to 1843, and that Hon. Thomas Ewing was the first alumnus.

The literary societies, the Philomathean and the Athenian, are the oldest in the west, and have always done well. Each admits both ladies and gentlemen.

There have been for many years Greek societies kept up here, and without opposition on the part of trustees or faculty. As far as observation goes, it is shown that they have been composed of the best students in the university. This is certainly true of the young ladies who have lately organized a chapter of $\Pi \text{ B } \Phi$, which has the best wishes of everybody here.

Yours Truly,

WILLIAM HOOVER.

Athens, Ohio, February 13th, 1890.

EDITORIALS.

The Constitution as it is should be the special work of every chapter. Let every delegate be supplied with a copy of the laws of the organization as they now are. The representative of each chapter should not only be conversant with the wants of the represented body, but liberal enough to sacrifice, if need be, some of the wants of her constituency

for the best good of the entire organization. The committee appointed by the last Grand Alpha will have carefully done its work. The three Constitutions made by three chapters will have been merged by the committee into one Constitution to be reported to Grand Alpha.

Let us hope that when this stage in the proceedings is reached the members of Grand Alpha will not swoop down like birds of prey upon the work thus far accomplished, unmindful of the fact that this should be a complete set of laws, and not debris, when the session is over.

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The difficulties of fraternity journalism are probably what suggest its frequent discussion.

The fact that busy people are the only people who have time to do gratuitous work goes to prove that an enthusiastic editor, with no time to waste upon the reason why fraternity journalism is up hill work, is the only man who can make a readable magazine without money.

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Shall we be a sorosis or a fraternity?

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Prof. Loomis, of Yale College, has recently bequeathed that institution nearly \$300,000. A case in which a man has been able and willing to express his eagerness to assist aspiring humanity in a substantial way. He shows by this a fraternal spirit toward faculty and student which is a result of personal connection with the work to be aided by such a moneyed contribution. A good way for some member of Pi Phi, blessed with a plentiful share of this world's goods, to lend a hand in building a chapter home.

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Please send to the Editor-in-Chief of THE ARROW a year's subscription of your college paper.

Let us get off the fence, and be either a sorosis or a college fraternity.

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Once again let us be heard and heeded when we say, please use letter size (8 x 10) paper for ARROW copy.

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Eastern colleges, heretofore open only to men, are gradually awakening to the fact that in order to keep pace with the rapidly-developing demand for an equal chance in the intellectual race, they must arrange for the admission of young ladies. A good home for a Pi Phi chapter in each case of such transformation Co-education and fraternities must go hand in hand, and certainly the ladies who are among the first to cross the threshold and enter the intellectual arena with the young men would be good material from which to select charter Pi Phis.

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Where shall the first Pi Phi chapter home be located?

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Shall Pi Phi be literary or social, or both?

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Is the idea of making an effort to enter such schools as Wellesley, Vassar, and Smith a good one?

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May Grand Alpha give to us a Constitution short and concise, not loaded with et ceteras that will only confuse. Give us laws that we can live by.

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How about Sigma Nu's plan for building chapter houses? See *Greek World*.

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Will somebody who knows please tell us what is a sorority as distinguished from fraternity and sorosis?

Does Delta Upsilon give us the idea, when, after quoting the following from the *Scroll*:

"All the colleges of good standing are now so nearly occupied by the old societies that it is difficult to see how a new comer can hope to succeed. The prospects are that the fraternities already established will remain, if not the only, at all events the controlling forces in the Greek letter world."

Says:

"Mr. Palmer seems to forget that there is still no non-secret sorority. If we may rest in the proverbial reputation of womankind, a female counterpart of Delta Upsilon would be an extraordinary success."

It does seem that societies of the same kind should be called by the same general name, regardless of the sex of membership.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

All material for the June number of THE ARROW should be in the hands of the editors, by May 20th.

Let all members see to it that their subscriptions are all paid previous to the meeting of Grand Alpha, April 1st.

For back numbers of THE ARROW send 25 cents each to the business manager.

CONVENTION CALL.

To the several Chapters of ΠΒΦ:

In accordance with the duties of my office, I hereby call the bi-annual convention of Pi Beta Phi to meet at Galesburg, Ill., April 1st, 2nd, 3d, and 4th.

It being impossible for me to be present, Emma Harper Turner, Grand R. S., will have charge of the business of the convention. Therefore let all communications which would otherwise come before me be addressed to her.

RAINIE A. SMALL,
Grand R. I.

York, Nebraska, February 20th, 1890.

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM FOR CONVENTION WEEK.

Monday evening.— Reception of delegates.

Tuesday evening.— Literary entertainment.

Wednesday evening.— "Cookie shine."

Thursday afternoon.— Reception to the ladies of Galesburg.

Thursday evening.— Reception to the people of Galesburg.

Friday evening.— Banquet for Pi Phis.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

ILLINOIS BETA.

At this writing we are in the midst of our preparations for the coming convention; and how we do look forward to that time, when we shall meet our sisters from other states and other chapters.

There is much to be done by the first of April, but "many hands make light work," and we do not feel in the least afraid of the work ahead. We have not given any parties this term, for our time has been too much occupied with committee work and other preparations; but our regular meetings have been so pleasant that they fully made up for anything in the way of parties.

Washington's birthday was duly celebrated here. A Mother Goose pantomime, under the direction of Jennie Grubb, was one of the special features of the occasion. A number of Pi Phi girls took part, and all acquitted themselves well. Jennie is an earnest worker in whatever she undertakes, and is one of the most zealous members of our chapter.

Galesburg, Ill., February 27th, 1890.

ILLINOIS DELTA.

This term has been a busy one with us, and although no new members have been added to our chapter, we yet feel that much good work has been done, which will probably bear fruits later on.

Of course now our great interest is in the coming Grand Alpha, and for this we have been busily planning for some months. In company with Beta Chapter we have held some meetings to discuss ways and means, and already our

committees have been appointed and are at work. Everything seems to point to a very successful and enjoyable session, and we hope that every Pi Phi who can possibly do so will be present.

A short time ago Miss Mary Griswold, one of our last year's Alumnae, made us a brief visit. While she was with us our chapter, with one or two resident Alumnae, eighteen in all, had a group picture taken. The pictures are not finished yet, but judging from the proof, we expect they will be quite good.

We have been profiting by the advice given in *THE ARROW*, and are studying our Constitution, of which, we must confess, some of us were rather ignorant. It seems as if this is a work which each chapter ought to take up, so as to gain a full knowledge of the Constitution, and thus be able to go to work intelligently to revise it.

We should be very glad to hear from our sister chapters, and we wish especially that you would write us as soon as possible, and let us know how many delegates your chapter expects to send to the convention.

We send greetings to the other chapters, and hope that before long we may see in person a goodly number of our sister Pi Phis.

Galesburg, Ill., March, 1890.

IOWA ALPHA.

My letter this time will necessarily be rather short, for we, as a chapter, have not accomplished much this term; but we have the pleasure of introducing to you two new members, Faynette O'Kell and Edith Corkhill; the occasions on which they were pledged were celebrated by our well-known "Grubs."

Two of our members, Cora Dill and Sarah Gillis, have been out some time on account of weak eyes. We miss them, as they were two of our best students. Both College and Alumnae chapters, by invitation, enjoyed a very pleasant evening with the P. E. O.'s in their hall during this term.

The routine of this term's work has been pleasantly broken in upon by an excellent lecture course provided by the college, and also by the meetings of the State Oratorical Association. We hope to be able to tell you more in our next. With love and best wishes to all $\Pi B \Phi$'s.

Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

IOWA BETA.

Three weeks more, and our winter term will close. We have had but one initiate this term, but we trust that what we lack in numbers is made up in quality. Miss Kern comes to us like an old friend returning; she is a sister of Lillian, who was taken from us last year.

So far we have had a quiet and prosperous year at Simpson. Sickness on the part of professors and students has interfered somewhat with the work, but all are again at their places, and the good work goes on.

Preparations are being made for the completion of our ladies' boarding hall, the foundation of which was laid last fall. Our chapter has just made the last payment of what it promised towards its erection.

Some of our girls attended the State Teachers' Association in Des Moines, and are very sorry if any of the Iowa Iota sisters were present and we did not meet them.

We like the idea suggested by the Iowa Gamma Chapter, that of corresponding with other chapters. Why not begin at once?

Indianola, Iowa.

IOWA GAMMA.

As school is not in session, and we are widely separated for our long vacation, it is rather a difficult task to write a chapter letter. However, as a few of us are more favored than the rest, in being permitted occasionally to see each other, it may be interesting to learn of a meeting we had this winter — with almost a quorum. Four of us live at Woodbine and one at Dunlap, a few miles away. A few weeks ago Nell Johnson, and Sadie and Charlotte Barrows made us a visit, and, although most of us here are school-marms, we managed on one Saturday to meet at Matie Yersley's, in Woodbine.

It would be useless to tell how we spent most of the time, for, having been separated for more than two months, there was, of course, a great deal to *talk* about. A circular-letter brought us news from those who were not with us, and a letter from Esther Crawford, who is at the Albany Librarian's School, told of a very pleasant winter for one at least of our *alumnæ*.

We discussed plans of work for next term, talked of the convention soon to be, and wondered what others would think of changing the colors to gold and white — the same as our pins. It would make such pretty decorations, and there would then be so many pretty flowers we might select.

The day was soon over, and then an obliging big brother of one of the girls was kind enough to take us all to an entertainment, and after a very pleasant evening we were obliged to separate for a few more weeks.

We are very sorry that our number next term must be one less than we had expected. Vesta Hamer, who has been very sick most of the winter, does not expect to return this spring. We hope, however, she may be able to be with us again in the fall.

Ames, Iowa, February 19th, 1890.

IOWA EPSILON.

Grand Alpha is at present the one topic of interest among our girls. We are very sorry to learn that Mrs. Small is unable to be present. We send our best wishes for her recovery, hoping that her illness will be of short duration.

Several of our meetings this winter were made both profitable and pleasant by the receipt of the box containing among other things, the fraternity journals, which were read with a great deal of interest.

On St. Valentine's eve we presented the "Queen of Fame" at Loyd's Opera House. It was a social triumph as well as a grand financial success. Miss Sude Weaver, as Goddess, sat upon her royal throne surrounded by Queen Isabella, Queen Elizabeth, Mary Stuart, Pocahontas, Cleopatra, Mother Goose, Miriam, and many others (yes, even Topsy), who appeared before her throne to plead their claim to the promised crown. When all had finished speaking, Miss Olive Saunders, as Miriam, knelt at the foot of the throne and received the crown that made her Queen.

Now I have left my most interesting statement until the very last. Some time ago we spent a very pleasant evening with Miss Elva Plank, and as a result I have the pleasure of introducing to you our new sister, Miss May Allender. As soon as the initiatory service was ended we sang several Pi Beta songs, and while we were so engaged, the dining-room door having been left ajar, our olfactories were not slow to detect something appetizing in the atmosphere, and so, leaving the songs to take care of themselves, we repaired to the dining-room, where we enjoyed a cup of delicious coffee, as well as the cookies and pickles for which the "grub" song had created an appetite. "Nothing in this world can last;"

lunch is but a fleeting show. The hand passeth over it and it is gone. So ours vanished. Nothing remains but a few sorry-looking crumbs that the Goat overlooked.

Bloomfield, March 4th, 1890.

IOWA ZETA AND KAPPA.

Three weeks before the convention. How we should all like to go, but of course that is an impossibility. This term has passed very pleasantly, though we have had to part with our baby — Mary Ely — who has accepted a stenographic position in Sioux City. We gave her a good-bye spread the night before she left.

Our number remains the same, however, as Miss Bessie Stearns, of Iowa Alpha, is with us while completing a course in stenography.

The quiet sea of university life was recently agitated by the sudden appearance of a new fraternity — composed, as it was, of Delta Tau Deltas — of men who were prominent members of Zetegathean, a literary society whose constitution forbids the admission of fraternity men, and of still others of known anti-fraternity principles. Excitement ran high. The name of the new organization was F. C. P.; not Greek, certainly. But what did it mean? became the live question of the day. So great was the interest awakened, so thoroughly did it arouse university curiosity, that posters decorated sidewalks, fences, and buildings covered with various possible renderings of the mysterious F. C. P. The Zetegatheans began to make arrangements to investigate.

The Phi Delta Thetas, anxious to prevent their charter from being given up for lack of men, urged the F. C. P.'s as a body to rescue them.

The colors, "mahogany and cream," impaled by the badge, a scarf-pin with a fly for a head, were zealously worn by the entire membership.

A group picture was taken. At this stage in the proceedings F. C. P. was declared by its color-bearers to mean "*Fraternitas Concitare Populos*;" and having fully accomplished the object for which it was formed, the organization adjourned *sine die*.

We gave a valentine party at the home of Sister Nell Custer-Swisher. There were about twenty couples present. The house was decorated with tulips, hyacinths, and smilax. It was the first dress party given by our girls this year, and was pronounced by all a decided success.

The Y. M. C. A. are now looking for a lot near the university upon which to erect their \$25,000.00 building. It seemed a big undertaking when it was announced that they intended to raise the amount, but the money *has been* raised and the building *will be* soon.

The western division of Delta Tau Delta is holding a convention in this city, and it is quite largely attended.

To-day our girls decided to take advantage of the first sleighing of the season, the result of which was a delightful ride.

We send greetings to Grand Alpha.

Iowa City, Iowa, March 1st, 1890.

KANSAS ALPHA.

Since our last letter we have gained quite a victory over our rival fraternities: We succeeded in capturing five of the best girls in school. Saturday morning, Jan. 25, we initiated Eleanor Humphrey, of Junction City; Flora Kennedy, of Lawrence; Stella Hutchings, of Osage, Missouri,

and Nellie Hawkius, of Ottawa. The girls had planned a sleigh ride to celebrate the occasion, but unfortunately the snow disappeared, so Miss Eva Miles kindly opened her house for the entertainment of the girls and their gentlemen friends.

Last Saturday, at the home of Flora Newlin, we unveiled the mysteries of $\Pi B \Phi$ to Marjorie Brown and Mamie Snow. The "goats" took an active part in the initiation, and last, but not least, came the "cookey shine."

We have listened to two more excellent lectures; one by Prof. Arthur Canfield and one by Prof. A. M. Wilcox. The latter spoke of the Parthenon and the Acropolis, illustrating his talk with numerous photographs and engravings. The next lecture is to be given by Prof. James Canfield at the home of Mame Tisdale, March 15th.

We are looking forward with much interest to the convention, and hope that the fraternity will be greatly benefited by it.

Lawrence, Kansas.

COLORADO BETA.

The months slip by so rapidly that we scarcely realized March, with its fraternity duties and pleasures, was so near.

We celebrated the 5th anniversary of the foundation of our chapter on February 14th. A combination cookey-shine banquet graced the Pi Phi board, as well as the bon-bon—a fac-simile of "Wooglin's Canine"—presented by Beta Theta Pi, with the following appropriate epigram:

- "Behold the 'Dorg.'"
- "He stands on forbidden ground!"
- "He enters unmolested the sacred confines!"
- "Nothing can be hidden from his unerring gaze!"
- "He penetrates to the inner shrine."
- "He devours the shrinking and terrified Arcanum!"

Several new books were also presented by members of Pi Beta Phi.

The candidates admitted were Miss Bertha Brooks and Miss Lottie Waterbury ; and all the rest being so happy, we had not the heart to make them miserable, so the goat and other domestic animals of $\Pi B \Phi$ were left unmolested.

The next week we entertained six of our sisters of Colorado Alpha. The visit was a great pleasure to us, and we were sorry when it had to end.

Our meetings are interesting and helpful, and we often wish others of our sisters might share them.

We are looking forward to the coming convention with a great deal of pleasure, and feel sure it will be a success in every way. Colorado Beta sends heartiest greetings to Ohio Alpha.

Denver University, March 6th, 1890.

MICHIGAN ALPHA.

Michigan Alpha of $\Pi B \Phi$, at peace with all the neighboring Greeks, and with the barbarians 'round about, sends greetings to her sister chapters.

With the new year has come to us an increasing vigor for $\Pi B \Phi$ and an enlarged membership. We take much pleasure in introducing to you our two "latest" sisters, Lena Judd and Kate King, both loyal sisters and earnest workers, of whom we may well be proud. Also Sister Kempton, whom we have greatly missed the past term, has returned to swell our band.

As to honors, it is the old story of $\Pi B \Phi$, "our girls" occupy the presidential chair in both ladies' societies. At the recent contest Sister Browne received honors, and so on through a long list.

The box of pins has been with us, and we have all agreed that they are much more handsome than the old ones. A goodly number of our girls are bedecked with sparkling new and dainty pins, and we hope in the near future the remainder may be likewise ornamented. We are all very much pleased with Mr. Newman's work, but we also think two jewelers might give some advantages.

Our work for the term is the study of George Kennan's writings. He recently lectured here, and interested us so greatly that we determined to know more of Russia and Russian affairs. So far the work has been pleasant as well as profitable.

A few weeks ago Sister Graham invited six of her $\Pi\beta$ sisters to her home, some twenty miles from Hillsdale. Of course as many gentlemen were also invited; all went and spent a most pleasant time, though the elements were against us. Miss Graham will entertain the others of her sisters in the near future, no doubt as pleasantly.

The jolly $\Pi\beta$'s could not let one term pass without some kind of a merry-making, and the result was a "cobweb" party two weeks ago. It took place at the pleasant home of our friend Mrs. Parmelee, and about thirty "lads and lassies" spent a most delightful evening, although the cobwebs were a source of trial and vexation of spirit to many a poor lad.

We are hard at work on the Constitution, and hope to send our delegate well stocked with information, and sure at least of what *we* want.

Hillsdale, Mich.

MICHIGAN BETA.

Another quarter has rolled around, and another chapter letter is due. Since Xmas we have initiated two very nice

young ladies, Misses Ada Bennett and Dora Elmer, making the number of members the same as last year — seven.

Our literary work for a few weeks past has had to give way to a discussion of the Constitution, and as yet the work of revision as best suits our needs is not complete.

Shortly before Xmas the Delta Gamma Chapter here gave a reception at their house to the other ladies' societies in the University. Their house is very pretty, and all were handsomely entertained.

We were exceedingly glad to receive notice of the founding of Ohio Alpha, and trust that now our greetings may be extended to them. Miss Copeland most certainly deserves our praise, for besides being a charter member of one chapter, she has helped in founding two others.

Our first semester is just over, and all are breathing freely again after passing through various examinations. That ordeal comes but twice a year, however, and we will now rest in peace until June.

Love and best wishes to all Pi Beta Phis.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, February, 1890.

INDIANA ALPHA.

Alpha of Indiana numbers ten active members at present; and, before this reaches the eye of the public, we hope to increase that number by one.

We hold our meetings bi-monthly, on Saturday evening, sometimes at our hall, sometimes at the home of one of the girls. Our work this term has consisted principally of conversational notes.

We have given no entertainment since Hallow E'en, but are planning to have a grand "grub" at our hall next Saturday eve, in honor of a lady whom we will present to our Pi Phi sisters in our next missive.

The Oratorical Association of Franklin College has elected sister Emma Ellis to occupy the president's chair the ensuing year.

Sister Ona Payne is the possessor of a dainty golden arrow. It is jeweled on shaft and point with emeralds, and has an Alpha guard.

We are looking forward with much interest to Grand Alpha. Our delegate is still suffering from the effects of La Grippe, but we trust she will be fully restored to health in time to attend convention.

We send kindest greetings to Pi Beta Phi.

Franklin, Indiana, February 13th, 1890.

OHIO ALPHA.

Seven excited girls anxiously awaited the arrival of Miss Copeland. Of course we wondered if we would like her, and equally we did like her when she came. She reached Athens at 7:30 p. m. Dec. 16th, 1889, and we were initiated the same evening. Bertha McVay, Francis Norton, Corinne Super, Grace Grosvenor, and Fannie Brown being the charter members. Elizabeth Foster and Bertha Brown were admitted immediately after them.

The faculty were pleased to have a chapter established, and the fraternities, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, welcomed us most graciously. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jones very kindly allowed us to hold our reception at their home. We invited the faculty and their wives and the fraternities. We have no rivals.

We meet once a week, on Wednesday evening, but the sickness of the different members has prevented our having one full meeting or doing much in the way of literary work. However, the girls are all bright and energetic, and expect soon to have a good programme.

The briefness of Miss Copeland's visit was the only drawback to our happiness. She gladdens our hearts with an occasional letter, and we look forward to a longer visit. The many kindly greetings from the different chapters were gratefully received.

Athens, Ohio, February 17th, 1890.

OPEN LETTERS.

To the Chapters and Members of Pi Beta Phi:

I know you will hail with pleasure the announcement of the establishing of Ohio Alpha, in the University of Athens, December 16th, 1889.

Miss Copeland, of Michigan Alpha, did the work necessary to the forming of this chapter, and to her all the credit is due. From her report of the members composing the chapter, we have every reason to greet with joy the $\Pi B \Phi$'s of the American Athens.

These young women are not inexperienced in society work, as they came from local organizations; but should they solicit knowledge of our order from any Pi Beta Phi, I trust it may be cheerfully given at all times.

Let us freely give, that in the future we may feel free to receive.

I am yours in the bonds of $\Pi B \Phi$.

RAINIE A. SMALL.

FOUNDING OF OHIO ALPHA.

In behalf of Michigan Alpha, I present to you Ohio Alpha, an infant of whom we are justly proud because of

the noble, excellent young women who form her circle. They were formerly members of local chapters existing in the university, consequently were somewhat acquainted with many features of the Greek World. Kappa Alpha Theta was at one time represented in the institution, but the charter was withdrawn in 1886, so that Pi Beta Phi meets no rival sorosis here, and enjoys the friendly support of chapters of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, and Phi Delta Theta.

On the evening of December 16th the long-expected "goat" and its keeper landed in Athens and were becomingly received by three of the fair maidens who were soon to be transposed. Being joined at the home of President Super, where your delegate was charmingly entertained during her stay, by the rest of the happy victims waiting in great expectancy, we wended our way to the home of Gen. Grosvenor, where the "festive Nanny" was led forth, and one by one five young women "took the perilous" ride into the realm of $\Pi B \Phi$. The newly elected officers of the new organization then officiated at the initiation of two very desirable young ladies — Bertha Brown and Lizzie Foster — who bravely took, "for better, for worse, until death do us part," their membership in $\Pi B \Phi$. At a late hour we adjourned to meet again the following morning to attend chapel exercises. The ever-watchful eyes of brother Greeks detected the emblem that had pierced the hearts of the wearers — Bertha McVay, Coriune Super, Frances Norton, Fannie Brown, and Grace Grosevenor — and the young men gave the new chapter a cordial greeting, for now the "mists were cleared away" and the object of those numerous meetings, so full of mystery to observers, was revealed.

On Tuesday evening occurred the oratorical contest, at which Grace Grosvenor appeared with great credit to herself and pleasure to her friends.

Wednesday evening an elegant reception was given by Ohio Alpha to the faculty and fraternities, which won the young ladies many deserved compliments and proved their social ability.

Thursday Bertha McVay entertained at dinner; and Fannie Browne gave a tea-party, each guest receiving a dainty souvenir decorated with the "wine and blue" and bearing appropriate quotations.

A chapter with members so strong and enthusiastic and so firmly established by the cordial reception of the faculty, Greeks, and friends cannot fail to grow, and grow worthily. We have indeed a valuable acquisition in Ohio Alpha; possessed of the spirit of the *true Greek*, our new sisters give promise of excellent work. Let us be generous and active with our pens, that they shall be assured of the sincere welcome we extend, and that the new relationship they enjoy is truly that of *sisters* who say gladly: "Blest be the tie that binds."

Thanks are due the Boulder, Franklin, and Ann Arbor chapters for material contributed for use in the work of founding the new chapter; also to the Grand Officers, Miss Selby and Miss Flagler, for assistance.

Mr. Newman kindly allowed us the use of the box of sample pins, which received due admiration.

Your sister in $\Pi B \Phi$.

L. MAY COPELAND.

La Rue, Ohio.

MARRIAGES.

RYNEARSON — WIRICK.—At South Omaha, Neb., December 29th, 1889, Miss Cora Ryneerson and C. M. Wirick.

MARVIN — WILCOX.— At Lawrence, Kansas, December 19th, 1889, Miss Mina E. Marvin and Prof. A. M. Wilcox.

WINNE — BALLANTINE.— At Denver, Col., Monday, January 20th, 1890, Miss Ida C. Winne and Mr. George W. Ballantine.

IN MEMORIAM.

DIED.— At her home in Ottumwa, Iowa, December 9th, 1889, our sister, Sadie Gording-Hathaway. Mrs. Hathaway's remains were brought to Bloomfield for burial.

GREEK WORLD.

The Texas Sigma Nu Association, at its meeting in October, 1889, adopted the report of its building committee, to the effect that said association incorporate themselves into a joint stock company with an authorized capital of \$10,000. The stock of the corporation, placed at a \$100 valuation, payable \$10 within thirty days after call, and \$10 annually thereafter, until the full subscription is paid. Why would not eternal vigilance combined with this plan make a good example?

Delta Upsilon "gladly accepts" private, not secret, as the distinguishing mark given her by the *Scroll*.

In April Phi Kappa Psi will hold the next meeting of the Grand Arch Council in Chicago.

John M. Phillips, editor of the Delta Tau Delta *Rainbow*, was recently killed by an accident at Chattanooga, Tenn. He graduated at Emory and Henry College, Va., with the highest honors ever given, and while at Vanderbilt University studying law was one of the commissioners that consolidated the W. W. W. or Rainbow Society with Delta Tau Delta in 1886. He is spoken of as a highly accomplished gentleman, and had evinced marked ability in his management of the *Rainbow*.— *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Chattanooga, Nashville, Memphis, Tenn.; Atlanta, Ga.; Birmingham, Ala.; Louisville, Ky.; Cincinnati, Ohio, which shall it be? A place for holding the next Grand Chapter of Sigma Nu, to convene in the summer of '90.

The fraternity quarrel at Athens, Ga., arising from the initiation of young men students of Athens, and not members of the university, threatens serious results. "The Initiation of Non-Collegians," from the pen of an Athens Chi Phi, came near bringing the matter to a focus, by personal encounters between the author and representatives of each, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Alpha. Negotiations were begun for the settlement of the affair, when the faculty interfered, took the matter in hand, investigated and decreed that by Dec. 3d every member of Chi Phi, Kappa Alpha, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon must sign a pledge or agreement not to participate in any meetings or transactions of fraternities — not to have anything whatever to do with fraternity matters during the present collegiate year.

The next National convention of Delta Upsilon is to be held in Chicago.

At the beginning of the new year a new fraternity was founded at Cornell. It is called the Alpha Zeta, and is intended solely for the benefit of persons born in the western hemisphere and who speak either Spanish or Portuguese, but excludes all Europeans. The fraternity is established on the same general plan as the other Greek letter societies, and intends to establish other chapters before long. The local Alpha Chapter has at present eight members, and seems to be in a thriving condition.—*Cornell Daily Sun*.

The only "breeze" at Indiana State University this spring was furnished by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. They expelled one of their members and another resigned. They were both immediately taken in by $B \Theta \Pi$ — ΣX *Quarterly*. We should rather say the "breeze" was furnished by $B \Theta \Pi$, who seems to be distinguishing herself in her own peculiar manner at that university. Last year they initiated an expelled $\Phi K \Psi$ and the year before an ex- $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, and this summer we were informed by one of their own chapter that they had pledged a ΣX — $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ *Quarterly*. A sort of Pan-Hellenic chapter, it seems. Last year the Betas had a man in their ranks who was expelled from $K \Sigma$ for gross deception and fraud.—*K \Sigma Quarterly for November*.

ΣX 'S chapter house at Hanover will be ready for occupancy May 1st.

$B \Theta \Pi$ has adopted the rose in all its varieties as the chapter flower. Kappa Alpha Theta has adopted the black and gold pansies. What shall we have?

One hundred and seventy-one young men from America were enrolled last winter in the Berlin University. A great many more were in the German capital studying music and

language, and for purposes of general culture. Nearly all come as strangers; many are unfamiliar with the language and customs. To such, a Young Men's League, connected with the American church, offers information and assistance of whatever kind, in regard to studies, expenses, or boarding-places. It will interest all Delta U. men to know that the president and vice-president of the league are Delta U.'s; while the secretary and treasurer declares that, so far as his acquaintance goes, no society is equal to Delta Upsilon. Assistance will be gladly rendered.

A. L. Smith (Case School of Science, Cleveland), secretary and treasurer, Garten street, 176, II., rechts; C. M. Clark (Williams, 1884), vice-president; A. W. Anthony (Brown, 1883), president, Wartenburg street, 26 Hof. II.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Tri Delta has organized her third chapter at Knox college, Galesburg, Ill. This sorosis claims about two hundred members.

Phi Beta Kappa was the first fraternity. It was formed at William and Mary's college in 1776, and still flourishes.

Gov. Foraker, of Ohio, has presented to the Phi Psi's of Swarthmore a handsomely framed picture of himself.—*Exchange*.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma song-book is out, and the *Key* is going into ecstasies over it.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

The President of the General Council issues an appeal for funds with which to purchase "brother" President Harrison a Phi Delta Theta badge. It is also proposed to have "brother President" deliver the oration at the next convention. Phi Delta Theta is not like most children, she never tires of trundling her little red wagon.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

EXCHANGES.

The *Delta* of Sigma Nu has its usual number of breezy pages, a few of which are devoted to a report of the second annual meeting of Texas Sigma Nu Alumni Association, from which we quote the following: "The secretary reported the progress made during the year, and showed that the association had been doing good work in strengthening Upsilon Chapter at the State University, and in looking after the interest of the fraternity in other portions of the state."

Query: "Does this suggest one of the best ways of utilizing fraternity Alumni?"

The broad-minded editor of the *Phi Kappa Psi Shield* has enough confidence in the worth of his monthly to publish one page of adverse criticism, with one of favorable comments set off against it. The *Shield* seems to attract very general attention.

The *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* for November, 1887, contains "A Chat with Fresh Graduates," by Dr. Griffis, which closes with the following:

"Brothers in Delta Upsilon, let us get out of the labyrinth into which conceit, indolence, habit, mistaken ideas, bad advisers, even outrageous fortune, have led us. Let us make no deep valley between commencement day and the next autumn. We must keep in line with the best thought, and take courage from the best actions of our fellow-men. Every man in the Delta Upsilon Fraternity should keep in touch with his brethren, like a soldier with his file. He should welcome all her literature. As fascinating as a volume of Plutarch should be our fraternity catalogue rightly used and studied. Every man who has taken the

vows of Delta Upsilon, worn her colors or badge, or, best of all, entered into her true spirit, ought to keep sympathetic grip upon her contemporaneous history and look eagerly at her future prospects. He should walk hand in hand with his brothers. No better means of special culture in this line do I know of than regular reading of the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*. It will keep a man from silly contempt of the college boy. It will save him from cynicism, hold him fresh and full of warm-heartedness. It will stimulate him to honest ambitions, and often enrich him with valuable hints which he can coin into success."

Truly, it is not fair for Alumnae to coolly turn their backs upon their fraternities, because, forsooth, they become "grown up," as they say, and "too busy." Our future depends more than we think upon what is behind us. A fraternity pledge is something for life — not for four years, or less.

The *Quarterly's* chapter letters are satisfying, in that there is no gush, which is always waste material. They are replete with items of interest to the college and fraternity world. Much stress is put upon the benefit of chapter-houses; the following from the Hamilton College letter:

"As a chapter, for the past year we have endeavored to become more of a social company, to make the men more united, to cause each other to feel that when graduated we are missed not so much for the mere honor we may have won the fraternity, but for what we are. Of inestimable value in this development has been the chapter-house. More than all else combined has it developed the feeling of brotherhood; therefore Hamilton's advice to her sister chapters is to cherish some pet scheme for a home of your own. Even though perhaps it lie many years beyond the present college generation, it will add a zest to college and fraternity alike; it will

form a tie binding you close to the place where were passed the happiest four years of your life."

"First or last, every chapter of every fraternity loses some man to one of its rivals. All too often he is utterly ignored after his initiation by that rival, and the ardent liking of hopeful, 'working' days turns into positive dislike, or even worse. Any man, who after due consideration by the members of any chapter has been judged worthy of an invitation to join that chapter is worthy at least the place of a friend, even though his ways be not the chapter's ways. Some of the warmest college friendships are of this very sort. Not only are they valuable as friendships, but they promote good feeling between rival chapters. Life is too short for nursing grudges, or for trying to prove that sweet grapes have suddenly begun souring when they fall into a rival's basket. The man, after being for some time a member of a rival fraternity, may, and in all probability will, change, and perhaps for the worse, but till then let him occupy an honorable place on the list of friends."— *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Says *The Rainbow*: "This same issue of the organ of Delta Tau Delta devotes two pages to the subject of Delta Kappa Epsilon's chapter at the University of Minnesota, the founding of which was under very peculiar circumstances, as indicated by the following clippings:

"The fact is, that in September last there existed at the University of Minnesota the Phi Delta Theta, Minnesota Alpha, and by some evolution in the following months, the same men became members of Phi Epsilon of Delta Kappa Epsilon. As to the exact facts, few will ever know. We submit some evidence of competent witnesses, and hope some proverbial Philadelphia Dutch lawyer employed by Δ Κ Ε may make the crooked straight:'

"Notice is hereby given that (here are inserted twenty-two names) all of the Minnesota Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Theta, whose resignations were presented to the fraternity, were by unanimous vote of the National convention expelled from Phi Delta Theta for actions dishonorable as men, and disloyal and treasonable to the fraternity.

"BY ORDER OF THE CONVENTION.

"*Bloomington, Ill., October 18th, 1889.*"

— *Phi Delta Theta Scroll for December.*

"Among the many petitions for the establishment of new chapters received by the convention, was one from certain students in the University of Minnesota. This flourishing institution, situated in the very best portion of the rapidly developing Northwest, with a ΔΚΕ President, and our fraternity otherwise represented in the faculty, and with petitioners amply vouched for in every respect, commended itself to the judgment of both council and convention. We believe that at no other point could ΔΚΕ be more advantageously established. * * * We have made no mistake in unfurling the banner of ΔΚΕ at the University of Minnesota. Health, long life, and prosperity to Phi Epsilon of ΔΚΕ!"— ΔΚΕ *Quarterly for January, 1890.*

"A prominent Φ Δ Θ man said last evening: 'When it is considered that this chapter has been built up by the assistance of many who are not among the seceders, and that the young men have taken the results of others' work and money into the camp of a rival fraternity, and in doing so have violated their voluntary and solemn pledges to each other, to their former associates, and to their fraternity, without excuse or provocation, it would seem that the act was a trifle questionable. * * * The fact that members of the faculty added their influence to carry on the secession aggravates the case.'"— *St. Paul Globe.*

We will put our largest mantle of charity over the matter, and suppose, for the present, that the ΔΚΕ Council and convention were cleverly hood-winked by their strong desire

to enter the University of Minnesota, coupled with the "ample vouching" (?) of certain hyper-zealous professors and members of the Northwestern Alumni Association.

The *Anchora* of Delta Gamma for February is full of interesting fraternity matters.

The *Key* for December is up to its usual standard. This magazine has the most prepossessing appearance of any of the girls' journals.

Kappa Alpha Theta is to be congratulated on the novelty of its new cover. A kite, surrounded by a bevy of smiling-faced pansies sends its long tail over the top of the page, while the letters of the words *Kappa Alpha Theta* are strung artistically along the tail.

"Elsewhere we quote an article from *THE ARROW* advocating the policy of women entering the profession of medicine. We endorse every word therein contained."—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

The *Sigma Chi Quarterly* is one of the most interesting journals that reaches our table.

CHAPTER LETTER.

IOWA IOTA.

The "something new and interesting" looked for in the chapter letters will be looked for in vain this time, so far as Iota is concerned. I think our brain force has been expended on the "revised edition," which will be brought forth at the convention. Our delegate is armed and equipped, and

we hope for happy results. If I did not fear being voted 'slangey' I would say, in my mind the greatest chestnut is a constitution.

New pins are appearing on all sides. The girls have saved up their "pin-money" in earnest this winter, with most gratifying results. "When a women will, she will, you may depend on't."

Mt. Pleasant, March 14th.

OPEN LETTER.

THE WASHINGTON CHAPTER.

In a recent visit to Washington, D. C., I had the pleasure of making an acquaintance with the new chapter of Pi Beta Phi organized in Columbia University by Emma Harper Turner. It so nearly filled my ideal of what a Pi Beta Phi chapter should be, I cannot resist the temptation to speak a word of commendation for it to the sister readers of *THE ARROW*. The chapter is very small, containing as yet only seven members; but the standard of membership is placed so high and the work accomplished so superior, it gives a promise of far greater value to the fraternity than many other chapters of larger membership. The old motto of the society, "Let our destiny be based upon the quality, and not the quantity, of our members," has been thoroughly borne in mind in the organization of this chapter. It does not contain a member who has not an ideal she is striving to reach, and an ambition to satisfy. Not only is the chapter helping each member to attain a full-rounded, well-develop-

ed womanhood, but each girl is bravely fitting herself to take an active part in the world's work. There is not a nonentity in the cast.

Miss Turner, who organized the chapter, and who is well known to the Sorosis, is an appointee in the treasury, and is also doing good newspaper work. It is her ambition to make of herself a thorough newspaper woman, and no one who knows her will doubt her ability to do so. Miss Norris, a sweet little Quakeress from Philadelphia, and Miss Pettigrew, a pretty girl from Maine, are also appointees in the treasury. In addition to their work, they are studying medicine in the Woman's Evening Medical College. Miss Sparks is a strong, intellectual, and progressive teacher in the city schools of Washington. Miss Lillie Hazleton and Miss Nell Turner are studying music in the University. Both have unusual talent in this direction, and give promise of pronounced success. Miss Anna Hazleton is studying in the University, and is preparing herself as a special teacher of mathematics.

The chapter is a wonderful stimulus to these young women, inspiring its members when discouraged, sustaining them in every experimental effort, and urging them on to new attainments. This, in my humble judgment, is what a chapter should do. The standing and reputation of the best-known college fraternities among men have been gained more largely from the fact that honored and great men have been their members than through any achievements of the fraternities themselves. Pi Beta Phi cannot hope its growth and progress will be based on a different principal. There is nothing which will redound more quickly or more emphatically to Pi Beta Phi than a successful woman standing before the world a member of it. To

aid our sisters in the attainment of their honorable ambitions must be one of the grandest features of our work. The Washington chapter has set the example, which I trust may be largely followed. I have never ventured my reputation at prophecy, but I will do it now. I predict the Columbia chapter is the nucleus from which will spread the growth of Pi Beta Phi into all the eastern colleges. All the Sorosis should be grateful for the establishment of this ideal chapter, and especially for the efforts of the noble energetic little woman who organized it.

CARRIE LANE CHAPMAN.

PERSONALS.

ILLINOIS BETA.

Daisy Wiswell is suffering from an attack of tonsillitis.

La Grippe found its way to Galesburg, and many were the victims it claimed among our numbers.

Mr. and Mrs. Willet, the parents of two of our former members, Mame and Nora Willet, paid us a flying visit February 26th.

Mildred Woods, one of our oldest members, is about to leave us. She goes with her parents to Topeka, Kansas. We are very sorry to lose her, and will miss her more than we can say. Our love and best wishes will follow her to her new home.

Four of our girls will leave us next June, and will not return as students; they are members of the Senior class. The class boasts of but four girls, and they are every one Pi Phis.

Mildred Woods gave a farewell party to a number of her friends February 21st. It was a very enjoyable affair.

We met with the girls of Delta Chapter, January 11th, and had a joint business meeting with them at the home of Miss Grace Lass.

Ada Quaintance attended the Swan contest, February 14, and visited her Pi Phi and other friends here.

IOWA BETA.

Stella Packer, one of our new initiates, has been compelled to leave the college on account of ill health. She hopes to return next year.

Belle Garret, a sophomore who has been away teaching, will probably return to Simpson.

The Misses Hastie, Hodge, and Dashiell are teaching in the public schools of Indianola.

Leota Kennedy ('88) is expected soon on a visit.

IOWA GAMMA.

Miss Julia Wentch was called home from her school work in Beatrice, Nebraska, a few weeks ago, by the sad news of her brother's death.

Miss Mame Zimbelman has a position as assistant principal of the public school at Bellevue.

IOWA EPSILON.

Miss Elva Plank was obliged to give up her school in Pulaski, Iowa, on account of illness. Miss Laura Plank will finish the term.

Miss Olive Saunders has returned from her winter's visit in Shenandoah, Iowa.

Miss Angie McGowen has returned from an extended visit in Kansas.

KANSAS ALPHA.

Miss Anna Barker has returned from an extended visit in the east.

Miss Mary Griffith-Osmond spent a few weeks visiting her parents in the city.

Miss Flora Kennedy and Flora Newlin spent a week in Burlington, Kan.

Miss Alice Penfield will soon complete the course in short-hand and accept a position in Kansas City.

Miss Alida Griffith is visiting in the east.

Miss Laura Lyons is in Iowa.

Miss Kate Winters is a pledged $\Pi B \Phi$.

Miss Mame Tisdale will represent Kausas Alpha in the coming convention.

COLORADO ALPHA.

Mrs. R. A. Small made us a short but very enjoyable visit on her way to Washington Territory.

Miss Jennie Hitchcock is spending the winter in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Miss Clara Batchelder is attending the Northwestern University, at Evanston, Ill.

One evening just before the holidays Mrs. Grant-Hudson entertained the members of Beta Theta Pi and Pi Beta Phi at a card party.

IOWA IOTA.

Miss Sarah Taylor, of Omaha, spent Sunday with her parents in this city.

We regret to lose from our midst our sister Mrs. May Elliott, whose future home will be Chicago.

Miss Bessie Stearns is in Iowa City, finishing her lessons in "short-hand."

Mrs. Anna Saunders-McArthur, of Lincoln, spent a week with parents and friends in this city. Her happy face is always welcome.

Mrs. Florence Palm has returned from a visit with friends in Chicago and other points of interest.

Our entire chapter is enjoying, with Laura Cole, a visit from her sister, Minnie Cole-Conoway, of Brooklyn, Iowa.

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