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THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1878.

MORNING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by Brother I. S. Signor (♀ 1870), of the Executive Council. He introduced to the Convention the Hon. Sterling G. Hadley (♂ 1836), one of the founders of the fraternity. Brother Hadley was greeted by three cheers from the Convention. In response, he said that the Psi Upsilon were the only boys he had. Though he had occasionally met members of the fraternity on the cars and elsewhere, he had not been in a Psi Upsilon lodge room in over forty years. It afforded him great pleasure to be present at this Convention.

Brother Signor appointed William N. Cogswell (♀ 1878), temporary Chairman, and Ward T. Sutherland (♀ 1878), temporary Recorder. After an address of welcome by the temporary Chairman, the “Convention Song” was sung. The temporary Chairman then appointed the following Committee on Credentials.—L. D. Olmstead (♀ 1878), C. P. Peterman (♂ 1880), O. H. Waldo (♂ 1879).

The Committee reported the following:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Theta, Lyman Sanford Holmes, '78; Edward McDonnell, '79; James Lamb Perry, '79; James Suydam Lawrence, '81.

Delta, William Journey Roome, Jr., '78.

Beta, Edwin Cooper Haynie, '79; Henry Sherwood Green, '79; Otis Harvey Waldo, '79.

Sigma, Harry Ormsbee Farnum, '78.

Gamma, Joseph Harry Selden, '78.

Zeta, Albert Oscar Browne, '78.

Lambda, Francis Sedgwick Bangs, '78; Harry Olmstead Lacey, '78.

Kappa, Samuel Emerson Smith, '78.

Psi, Charles Howell Ray, '78; Lawrence Dwight Olmstead, '78; James Lowry Skillin, '79.

Xi, Alpha Gilruth Kynett, '78; Ernest Hitchcock, '79.

Upsilon, William Lincoln Sage, '65; George Mather Forbes, '78; William Nathaniel Cogswell, '78; James Alexander Hayden, '78; Henry Bigelow Howe, '79.
Iota, Charles Page Peterman, '80.
Phi, Orlando Fleming Barnes, '79; Peter Burr Loomis, Jr., '80; William Mann Thompson, '80.
Omega, John Davis Seaton Riggs, '78.
Pi, Curtis Elliott Mogg, '78; Willis Augustine Holden, '79.
Chi, Philip Barnard, '78; Charles Putnam Bacon, '79; William Henry Carpenter, '80.

On motion, the report was accepted and adopted.
The temporary Chairman then appointed the following

COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.—Charles Putnam Bacon (X 1879); A. O. Browne (Z 1878); O. F. Barnes ($ 1879).

On motion of Bro. Riggs of the Omega, a short recess was taken, after which the Committee reported as follows:

President,
Isaac Smith Signor (¥ 1870).

Vice-Presidents,

Θ L. S. Holmes.
Δ W. J. Roome, Jr.
Β E. C. Haynie.
Σ H. O. Farnum.
Γ J. H. Selden.
Ζ A. O. Browne.
Λ F. S. Bangs.
Κ S. E. Smith.

VP L. D. Olmstead.
E E. Hitchcock.
Υ H. B. Howe.
I C. P. Peterman.
Φ O. F. Barnes.
Ω J. D. S. Riggs.
Π C. E. Mogg.
X Philip Barnard.

Recorder,
Ward T. Sutherland (¥ 1878).

Assistant Recorders,


On motion, the report was accepted and adopted.

Brother W. L. Sage (¥ 1865), announced that Mr. D. W. Powers had extended an invitation to the Convention, to visit his art gallery, at four o'clock in the afternoon. He moved that the invitation be accepted. The motion was carried.

The Windsor Club and the Abelard Club extended invitations to the Convention to visit their rooms. On motion of Brother Sage, Brother G. M. Forbes (¥ 1878) was constituted a committee, who, with Brother F. S. Fish (¥ 1873), the committee from the Alumni, should wait on Dr. Martin B. Anderson, the President of the University of Rochester, and invite him to address the Convention at such time as he might find convenient.

It was moved and voted that when we adjourn, it be until half past
two this afternoon. At the suggestion of Brother C. P. Bacon (X 1879),
the Alumni present were invited to select one of their number who
should cast the Alumni vote during the Convention. Brother W. L. Sage
(Y 1865), reported that the Alumni had held a meeting and had chosen
Professor Willard Fiske, Ph. D. (Y 1856), as their Chairman, and J. Weed
Munro (Y 1875), as their Secretary; and that these gentlemen would cast
the Alumni vote. On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called the Convention to order. The brethren sang
from the Fraternity collection (p. 45). The President appointed the fol-
lowing committees:

ON THE NOMINATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—J. A. Hayden
(Y 1878), A. G. Kynett (Z 1878), Lyman S. Holmes (Q 1879).

ON THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—O.
H. Waldo (B 1879), J. H. Selden (T 1878), O. F. Barnes (Q 1879).

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.—J. D. S. Riggs (Y 1878), Francis S. Bangs
(\ 1878), H. O. Farnum (X 1878).

ON NEW BUSINESS.—C. E. Mogg (II 1878), Philip Barnard (X 1878),
S. E. Smith (K 1878).

The President stated that the Communication of the Executive Counc-
 cil had not yet arrived.

Brother O. H. Waldo (B 1879), in view of the fact that 1879 will be
the fortieth anniversary of the Beta Chapter, offered

GENERAL RESOLUTION NO. 1 [see p. 10], which was referred to the
Committee on New Business.

Brother G. W. Elliott (\ 1873) moved that a committee of three be
appointed, to report to-morrow morning, upon a fraternity color. The
motion was carried. The President appointed G. W. Elliott (\ 1873), G.
M. Forbes (Y 1878), and J. L. Perry (O 1879), as that Committee.

Brother C. P. Bacon (X 1879) presented the following, which was re-
ferred to the Committee on New Business:

GENERAL RESOLUTION NO. 2.—Resolved, by the General Convention of
the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, That Edward Nicoll and William J. Youngs,
graduates of Cornell University of the class of 1872, be and are hereby
elected honorary members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Professor W. Fiske (Y 1856) presented the following, which was re-
ferred to the Committee on New Business:

GENERAL RESOLUTION NO. 3.—Resolved, etc., That the Hon. Orlando
MacBarnes, graduate of the University of Michigan of the class of 1850,
be and is hereby declared a member of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.
The Convention then suspended business, and Martin B. Anderson, LL.D., President of the University of Rochester, was introduced, who addressed the Convention on the Influence of Secret Societies in Colleges.

After Dr. Anderson's address, Brother C. E. Mogg (II 1878), Chairman of the Committee on New Business, reported favorably General Resolution No. 1 [see p. 10], which was passed unanimously. On motion, the Convention adjourned until Friday at ten A.M.

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1878.

MORNING SESSION.

The President called the Convention to order. "The Dear Old Shrine" was sung. The Recorder's reports for the preceding sessions were read, and after corrections were approved.

Brother G. W. Elliott (Xi 1873), Chairman of the Committee on Fraternity Colors, presented a report recommending the adoption of Garnet and Gold as the colors of the Fraternity. The report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

General Resolution No. 4 [see p. 10] was then presented by Brother A. G. Kynett (Xi 1878). The President appointed G. W. Elliott (Xi 1873), G. M. Forbes (Yo 1878), and J. L. Perry (Yo 1879), a Special Committee, to which this resolution was referred.

Brother C. E. Mogg (II 1878), presented an invitation to the Mid-Summer Re-union, which will occur August 22, 1878, at Syracuse, N.Y. As Chairman of the Committee on New Business, he also reported favorably General Resolutions Nos. 2 and 3 [see p. 10].

On motion of Professor Fiske (Yo 1856), the word "honorary" in General Resolution No. 2, was stricken out, and in the General Resolution No. 3, the word "elected" was substituted for the word "declared." These resolutions, after the third reading, were passed; all the Chapters voting aye for both resolutions, except the Gamma, whose delegate was absent.

Brother Mogg further reported

General Resolution No. 5.—Resolved, by the General Convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, 1. That we cordially commend THE DIAMOND, as published by certain members of the Fraternity. 2. That said publication be made the official organ of the Fraternity, and that the Secretary of the Executive Council be its Managing Editor. 3. That each Chapter elect a Corresponding Editor, from whom alone shall be obtained the news from the respective Chapters.
On motion, the consideration of this resolution was deferred until after the report of the Committee on the Communication of the Executive Council.

The Communication of the Executive Council was then read. On motion of Brother C. P. Bacon (X 1879), the Communication was referred to the appropriate committee.

The Special Committee on Colors reported favorably General Resolution No. 4 [see p. 10]. On motion, the report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Brother F. S. Bangs (X 1878) moved that a committee of three be appointed to report concerning a Fraternity color at the next general Convention. Brother A. G. Kynett (Z 1878) moved to lay this motion on the table. Brother Kynett's motion was lost. The original motion was lost. The resolution [Gen. Res. No. 4] was then, after the third reading, passed by the following vote: Ayes, 13 (θ, Σ, K, Υ, Ξ, Ψ, I, Φ, Ω, Π, and 3 Alumni votes); Noes, 5 (Δ, B, Z, Λ, X).

The Chairman of the Committee on the Communication of the Executive Council, announced that he was ready to report. On motion, his report was made a special order for two o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion of Brother J. D. S. Riggs (Ω 1878), Professor W. Fiske (Ψ 1856) and W. L. Sage (Τ 1865) were made a Committee to send congratulatory telegrams.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

The Convention was called to order by the President. The Recorder's report for the preceding session was read and approved. The special order of the session was taken up,—the report of the Committee on the Communication of the Executive Council. Brother O. H. Waldo (Β 1879), Chairman of the Committee, presented the following report:

1. Your committee offers congratulations on the condition of the fraternity. 2. Your committee suggest that the fraternity do all in its power to forward the prompt publication of necessary matter, but opposes excessive publication of society records. 3. Your committee calls special attention to the publishing of the new catalogue. 4. Your committee suggest that last year's action regarding the founding of a Chapter at the University of California, be reconsidered. 5. Beta and Upsilon have delayed the payment of Convention funds beyond the allotted time. Your committee urges in future prompt payment. 6. Your committee once more calls attention to the inaccuracy in assigning college symbols. 7. Your committee reports favorably on the minority, adverse report, with regard to the forming of Alumni clubs. 9. Your committee offers con-
gratulations on the interest displayed by Alumni. 9. In considering the question whether a brother may be at the same time a member both of this and some other fraternity, your committee suggest that consideration be shown the peculiar customs and feelings prevalent at different colleges.”

Brother W. L. Sage (γ 1865) moved that the consideration of the subject of section nine of the committee’s report be indefinitely postponed. The motion was carried. Brother Bangs, of the Lambda, moved that the question of the establishment of a Chapter at the University of California be referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business. The motion was carried. The consideration of the report of the Committee on the Communication of the Executive Council was suspended, and Brother J. A. Hayden (γ 1878), Chairman of the Committee on Nominations for the Executive Council, presented the following, which was adopted:

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR 1877–8.

Thomas Thacher (β '71) ............. 52 William st., New York.
Charles Wesley Smiley (ζ '74) ......... Madison, New Jersey.
Isaac Smith Signor (φ '70) .......... 237 Broadway, New York.
Herbert Lawrence Bridgman (Γ '66). 55 Park Place, New York.
John Morrell Rider (ο '73) ............. 29 Wall st., New York.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Communications of the Executive Council was resumed. Brother C. P. Bacon moved that the majority report of the Committee on Alumni Clubs be adopted. The motion was carried. Brother J. L. Skillin (γ 1879) moved that the Executive Council be empowered to pay for assistance in preparing the catalogue. The motion was carried. On motion of Brother C. P. Bacon, the report of the Committee on the Communication of the Executive Council was accepted, and the committee was discharged.

Brother J. D. S. Riggs (Ω 1878), Chairman of the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented a report, recommending that the Committee on the Establishment of a Psi Upsilon Chapter at the University of California be discharged, and that final action on their report be postponed for one year.

Brother C. P. Bacon moved that the Committee on the Establishment of a Psi Upsilon Chapter at the University of California be discharged, and that their report be adopted. The motion was lost by the following vote: Noes, 13 (Δ, Σ, Τ, Ζ, Κ, φ, Υ, τ, φ, Ω, and 3 Alumni votes); Ayes, 4 (Δ, Τ, Π, Χ).

Brother F. S. Bangs (α 1878) moved that the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business be accepted. The motion was carried.

Brother C. E. Mogg (Π 1878) again presented

GENERAL RESOLUTION NO. 5. Brother F. S. Bangs moved to amend by striking out the second and third sections of the resolution. The amendment was carried, and the resolution, as amended, passed.
Brother C. P. Bacon presented
GENERAL RESOLUTION No. 6 (see p. 10). On motion the rules were suspended, and the resolution was passed.

Brother C. P. Bacon then presented
GENERAL RESOLUTION No. 7 (see p. 10). On motion the rules were suspended, and the resolution was passed.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS Nos. 1–7 were then passed (see p. 10).

Brother W. L. Sage moved that the Treasurer's report be printed with the records of the Convention. The motion was carried.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Convention sang the "Parting Song," and on motion adjourned sine die.

WARD T. SUTHERLAND, Recorder. I. S. SIGNOR, President.

Χ BUSINESS MEETING OF GRADUATES.

At the meeting, held May 2d, Professor Willard Fiske (χ 1856) presided, and Weed Munro was Secretary. The following were present:

**Theta**

S. G. Hadley.

**Gamma**


**Zeta**

B. J. Roberts, J. C. Winslow.

**Psi**


**Beta**


**Xi**


**Upsilon**


**Pi**

W. H Shuart, James Gilbert.

**Chi**

F. W. Noyes.

Voted that Bros. Fiske and Munro cast the alumni vote in Convention—bu not until after consultation with graduates from at least three chapters.

Voted that the Secretary be authorized to add the names of such alumni as arrive during the Convention. Χ

Voted to accept the invitation of D. P. Powers to visit his art gallery, and that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. Powers.

Voted that Bro. F. S. Fisk be appointed a Committee upon the part of the alumni to attend, with some brother chosen from the undergraduates, upon President Anderson, and invite him to address the Convention at 3 P. M.
RESOLUTIONS PASSED
BY THE FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS.

No. 1.—Resolved, by the General Convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, That the next Annual Convention be held with the Beta Chapter.

No. 2.—Resolved, &c., That Edward Nicoll and William J. Youngs, graduates of Cornell University, of the class of 1872, be and are hereby elected members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

No. 3.—Resolved, &c., That the Hon. Orlando MacBarnes, graduate of the University of Michigan, of the class of 1850, be and is hereby elected a member of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

No. 4.—Resolved, &c., That Garnet and Gold be and they are hereby declared the Fraternity colors.

No. 5.—Resolved, &c., That we cordially commend “The Diamond,” as published by certain members of the fraternity.

No. 6.—Resolved, &c., That the sum of fifty dollars be appropriated for the maintenance of the office of Secretary and Treasurer of the Executive Council for the coming year.

No. 7.—Resolved, &c., That a tax of thirty cents per capita be levied upon all the active members of the Fraternity, to defray the expenses of the Executive Council.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

No. 1.—Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be and are hereby tendered to Mr. D. W. Powers, for his courtesy to members of the Convention.

No. 2.—Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be and are hereby extended to the Rochester Club for their hospitality to members of the Convention.

No. 3.—Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be and are hereby extended to the Windsor Club for their kindly hospitality.

No. 4.—Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due and are hereby tendered to Brother I. S. Signor, for the impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

No. 5.—Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to Brother W. L. Sage, for his energetic efforts to make the Forty-fifth Convention a success.

No. 6.—Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due Brother A. E. Mudge for his services in the Executive Council.
THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

To the Forty-fifth Annual Convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

The Executive Council invites attention to its annual report.

1. Condition of the Fraternity.—The Council is of opinion that the past year has been the best in the history of Psi Upsilon. It has been one of perfect harmony. No new Chapters have been organized, but the sixteen active ones have done earnest work. Several have paid off floating debts that annoyed them. The Theta has leased a building, and occupies it as a Chapter-house, with rooms for all, or nearly all, its members. The Upsilon has refurnished its hall in an excellent manner. The Lambda occupies one entire floor of a block on Broadway, thus obtaining a business hall, club room, billiard room, and theatrical apartments. The Zeta has made a fine beginning on a Chapter house fund. The Xi has completed and occupied its elegant building. The Iota is taking steps to purchase property. The Omega has reached a membership larger than ever before. The Phi has organized a glee club that has attracted attention in the West. The infant Chi has developed in an alarming manner. The average active membership of the fraternity during the year has been 370, an increase of fifteen over last year.

2. Constitutional Amendment.—The amendment proposed (1877) reducing the Annual Convention levy to 75 cents per capita received the support of twelve Chapters (the Θ, Σ, Γ, Ζ, Λ, Κ, Ψ, Υ, Θ, Ι, Φ, Ω, Π), and passed. The Chi opposed it, and the Delta, Beta, and Xi did not vote. The entire list of amendments since 1869 was printed, and the Chapters were asked to amend their copies of the Constitution accordingly.

3. Records of the Convention.—The records of the last Convention were printed promptly. Eight pages of the most interesting parts were selected, and 1,000 copies printed for general distribution. The Secretary also published a pamphlet containing the oration, poem, Convention song, &c., but at a pecuniary loss. It is desirable that similar publications be
made this year, and it is hoped that the Convention will encourage the same. Experience will enable the Council to make them of increasing value to the fraternity. But the co-operation of the Chapters is necessary in order to make it a financial success.

4. **Song Book.**—The Council has issued another edition of songs, including such new songs as were available, and making a great number of typographical corrections in the old plates. Slips containing the new matter were also printed, which, when inserted in the old books, will make them usable in connection with the latest edition. As every year yields a few new songs, and as a stimulus to their production and a means of their preservation, the Council suggests the annual publication of such slips, which may be supplied to Chapters and those owning song books. The stereotyped plates would, of course, be reserved for use in subsequent editions of the song book.

5. **Catalogue.**—The greatest need of the fraternity to-day is the new catalogue. The report of the committee is appended (Appendix A). The Council fully appreciates the desirability of its issue at the earliest possible moment, and will render any aid in its power. If every Chapter would do the same, and every member do promptly any little service in his power, the united efforts would soon be rewarded. No one can begin to realize the magnitude of the undertaking until he has participated in it. The Council suggests to any one disposed to grumble about delay, that he offer some assistance instead.

6. **University of California.**—The committee appointed thereon at the last Convention reported adversely (see Appendix B), and the petition was dismissed. There was evidence of bitter disappointment thereat on the part of the Psi Upsilon graduates of the Pacific coast. Their numbers and influence make it a source of regret that they have no Chapter to visit and assist. There is indication that the petition will be renewed at no distant day.

7. **Expulsion.**—Herbert Durand Hobbs was expelled by the Theta Chapter, on the 9th of March, 1878. The case was a sad one, but the action of the Chapter was abundantly justified.

8. **Report of Committee on Alumni Clubs.**—Two reports are here-with submitted (Appendices C and D). The majority report is signed by Messrs. Hayden, Sage, Brown, and White; the minority, by G. W. Elliott.

9. **Associations of Alumni.**—Two associations have already been organized, and steps have been taken to organize six others on the evening of May 3d. The San Francisco Association is presided over by Mar. B. Kellogg, Esq. (Φ 1869), Sidney Worth (Ζ 1871) is secretary, and it has some...
80 members. The Detroit Association, which has furnished a copy of its constitution, is officered as follows: Pres't., Hon. Elisha Taylor (O 1837); Vice-Pres't., A. M. Henry (P 1867); Sec'y and Treas., C. H. Jacobs (P 1875). On the evening of the public exercises and banquet connected with this Convention, reunion dinners will be held in Portland, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, and Chicago, and it is expected that each will mature a permanent association. At the Falmouth Hotel, Portland, the Hon. G. E. B. Jackson (K 1849) will preside. Fifty graduates and many members of the Kappa are expected to attend. At Parker's Hotel, Boston, the Governor of the Commonwealth will preside. Of the 404 members in or near Boston, a majority are expected, as well as delegates from the Zeta and Xi Chapters. At the Metropolitan Hotel, New York, Edward Martindale, one of the seven founders of the fraternity, will preside. One thousand Psi Upsilon here within easy reach of the city have been invited to attend. Such distinguished men as J. G. Holland, M.D., editor of Scribner's, the Rev. G. H. Houghton, D.D., John Taylor Johnston, the Hon. W. E. Robinson, the Hon. Hooper C. Van Vorst, Prof. G. P. Quackenbos, L.L.D., the Rev. A. Huntington Clapp, D.D., William Walter Phelps, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Hon. C. A. Arthur, Collector of the Port of New York, Prof. F. B. Dexter of Yale, Gen. J. R. Hawley, L.L.D., have all enlisted heartily in the project. The Delta and Lambda Chapters will also participate. At the Penn Club rooms, in Philadelphia, Judge James Parsons will preside. The committee consists of Henry Armit Brown, the orator; Chas. H. Burnett, M.D., G. C. Purves, Geo. Northrop, and Thos. D. Cuyler. At the Maison Doré, Philadelphia, the Chaplain of the U. S. Senate, the Rev. Byron Sunderland, D.D., is expected to preside. The committee consists of Col. R. D. Mussey, the Rev. I. L. Townsend, D.D., and H. C. Bliss, Esq.; Fred. W. Seward, Assistant Secretary of State, and our six Congressmen—Frye, Eames, Potter, McGowan, Rice, and Loring—have promised to attend. At the Palmer House, Chicago, the Hon. Henry Booth will preside. At least 200 are expected to be present. The Omega will heartily participate. The Detroit Association will hold its quarterly meeting the same evening.

10. THE DIAMOND.—The Council congratulates the fraternity on the appearance of this little sheet. The Convention would do well to make it the official organ of the fraternity, and to accept such guardianship as the managers may ask the fraternity to assume. Sufficient encouragement to make every issue eight paged is its greatest need.

11. THE IOTA CHAPTER.—Its delegate will inform the Convention of its condition and embarrassments. If it could be placed in possession of $5,000 worth of real estate for Chapter-house purposes its stability would be assured, notwithstanding the condition of Kenyon College. It is suggested that the Convention appoint a Committee of Aid to the Iota, con-
sisting of influential graduates of other Chapters, who shall devise and execute such measures as seem to them proper, to enlist the support of all graduates of Iota, and secure help from other Chapters, if needed. Such men as Prof. Price of Union, Prof. Harrington of Wesleyan, Prof. Walter of Michigan, Prof. Fiske of Cornell, Jotham F. Clark of Portland, W. L. Sage of Rochester, A. P. Jacobs of Detroit, and G. F. Eaton of Amherst, are suggested as brethren who might aid in the matter.

12. The Convention of 1879.—Pending the efforts for the relief of the Iota, it is not considered wise to burden it with the care of a Convention, and the Council recommends that, in case of no other provision, the location and care of the Convention of 1879 be referred to a committee from the Executive Council, the Omega and Pi Chapters, which committee shall obtain a place for the Convention, and give due notice to the fraternity.

13. Membership in Two Fraternities.—It is known that there are graduate members of Psi Upsilon who are also members of other fraternities. It is said that such men have sometimes laid aside the Psi Upsilon badge, and worn prominently some other society badge, but still claimed allegiance to Psi Upsilon. Would it not be well to understand on what conditions men may be members of Psi Upsilon and of some other fraternity at the same time?

14. Fraternity Colors.—Colleges and many of our rival fraternities have adopted colors for use on public occasions. Psi Upsilon has never done so, because three Chapters out of the seventeen had Chapter colors that they were unwilling to sacrifice for the good of Psi Upsilon. It is desirable to have a fraternity color; but if any Chapter chooses to retain its Chapter color, let it do so, while at the same time a general fraternity color is in use. The selection of a color is difficult, because it should not conflict with any rival fraternity, nor with any college where there exists or is likely to exist a Chapter of Psi Upsilon. The Secretary of the Council will shortly publish the list of colors adopted by the forty leading American colleges, and by the twenty-five fraternities which exist in colleges where Psi Upsilon exists. The Council may then be able to recommend some color for adoption. Should it do so, it is suggested that the matter may be finally determined in time to use the colors at the commencement receptions given by Chapters this year, if the Convention will order that whatever color is accepted by two-thirds of the Chapters shall be announced as the general fraternity color.

15. Certificate of Membership.—The Lambda Chapter has long used a certificate, lithographed by the Major and Knapp Lithographing Company of New York. With a few slight changes it would answer
admirably for the whole fraternity. The Council recommends that steps be taken to bring about such a result.

16. CONVENTION FUND.—The collection of all the old arrears gives a small surplus, which the council thinks should not be drawn upon except in cases of unusual emergency, but held as a reserve fund. This year’s tax has been paid by every Chapter and amounted to $277 50, and this amount is expected to be used in connection with this Convention. The Beta and Upsilon Chapters ran over the time of payment specified by the Constitution, so that any delegate who chooses can prevent their voting in Convention.

17. SYMBOLS.—Notwithstanding the last Convention was informed that Chapter officers blunder badly in assigning badge symbols, and the Convention hoped the officers would be more careful, the errors have not ceased. This part of the new catalogue will be defective. The editor will not be able to make all the symbols in the catalogue correct. The Chapter records differ from the badges, and both usually contain errors. If the Convention desires the symbols to be anything but an intolerable jumble, it must take some measures to secure that result. The system is complicated and requires careful attention to understand and execute it. This has caused great confusion in all the past years. The same man’s symbols have often undergone variations in the various editions of the catalogue. Unless the system is abolished, one man should have the entire charge of assigning symbols for all initiates. A committee of one from each Chapter might examine and correct the symbols assigned to all graduates from the foundation of the fraternity. Where this is not done the catalogue editor assumes no responsibility whatever for the correctness of symbols printed in the forthcoming volume.

18. CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE FRATERNITY.—For ordinary purposes a levy of 25 cents per capita is sufficient. If, however, the Council is to publish a pamphlet with oration, poem, and other matter of value to all Psi Upsilon, either an addition should be made to this levy or the Chapters guarantee to buy and pay for such a number as will cover the cost. The Convention should appropriate such an amount as it deems proper “for the maintenance of the office of Secretary,” by which is understood an amount at his disposal for such expenses as he incurs voluntarily, but will not make a detailed bill of. The amount appropriated by the last Convention did not reimburse the Secretary.

19. CONVENTION RECORDS.—The Council needs a complete file of records prior to its establishment in 1871, and recommends an appropriation of $30 for making full copies of such as can be borrowed from Chapter archives.
20. **Work for Psi Upsilon.**—The fraternity needs very little legislation at present, but there is abundant opportunity for work on the part of every member. There has been heretofore considerable legislation for which the corresponding work was not done. It is so easy to command, but another thing to perform. Will not this Convention inspire the fraternity to greater labors, to a more self-sacrificing spirit, to an intenser zeal? If more will voluntarily unite with those whose devotion to *Psi Upsilon* does not vanish in words, but who are content "to labor and to wait," the fruits which are sure to appear will prove a rich reward,

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. SMILEY,

Madison, N. J., May 1, 1878.  
*Secretary.*

**UNDERGRADUATE VISITORS TO THE CONVENTION.**

*Psi,*  W. R. Prescott, '78; S. W. Williams, '81.

*Upsilon,*  The entire chapter.

*Pi,*  S. E. Brown, '78; M. D. Babcock, '79; W. C. Bennett, '79; C. S. Dolley, '79; D. H. Hotchkiss, '80; C. G. Decker, '81; M. M. Goodwin, '81; T. W. Haven, '81; A. A. Howlett, '81; B. McDowell, '81.


**PUBLIC LITERARY EXERCISES.**

The public exercises and Convention-supper took place on Friday evening. The exercises at the church were presided over by the Hon. S. G. Hadley (1836). The Hon. D. H. Chamberlain, LL. D., of New York, delivered the oration upon the Value of the Classics in Education. The poem was by the Rev. James A. Ely, of Orange, N. J. (1865). The chaplain was the Rev. Augustus Strong, LL. D., and the toast-master, George H. Fox, M. D., of New York city. Fuller details of the exercises can be found in *The Diamond* for May.
[APPENDIX A.]

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CATALOGUE.

To the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

The Committee makes the following report of progress:—The last Convention examined the manuscripts, asked the aid of a special committee, and after mature consideration agreed with great unanimity to raise a publication fund of $1,200, before July 1st, in order that the catalogue might be printed in the summer vacation, while the editor had time to attend to it. The scheme miserably failed. Only four Chapters paid the drafts, and those by dint of great effort. Some absolutely could not, and some complained of the amounts apportioned to them. So disappointing a result caused doubt as to whether the fraternity wanted a catalogue or not. In the fall, time that would properly have been spent on manuscript had to be used in correspondence about the money. Some payments were secured from time to time, but as late as March 1st, five Chapters were in arrears; and, even now, two have not paid in full. The committee must loan several hundred dollars, even after the Chapters pay in the full $1,200, so that it cannot proceed till the Chapters do as they agreed. The entire responsibility for the loss of a year's time rests upon certain Chapters. The committee does not, however, censure them, for they have been under serious financial embarrassments and mistook their ability to pay, when they voted for drafts at the last Convention. But, had the money been furnished, some sort of a book would have been published last summer vacation.

When the rest of the money comes in, the book will receive the undivided attention of the editor. All of one man's time must be spent on the copy, proofs, etc., while it is in press. After such delay caused by Chapters, no one will expect the editor to instantly put aside all other engagements and devote himself to this one thing. Yet he will soon be able to do so. Other discouragements have often blocked the way, so that frequently there has been occasion for regret that the task was ever undertaken. But for the loyal devotion and unceasing labors of such men as Fiske, Chase, Jacobs, Hewett, Eaton, MaCauley, Riggs and others, it would long ago have proved too great a burden to be endured. Even now, there will be omissions and blemishes unavoidably. There is reason to fear that some names of members have been lost beyond recovery. Accident is occasionally revealing a name of which there was no record in any past catalogue. Some residences will not be discovered, and some members refuse to give their full names or any data concerning themselves. The best consolation there is for the delay consists in the fact that, by constant and unremitting toil, the material has been improving all the while, so that the summer of 1878 will see a much better catalogue than could possibly have been produced last year.

Respectfully submitted, C. W. SMILEY, Committee.
[APPENDIX B.]

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

To the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

The Special Committee to which the matter of the establishment of a Chapter of the Fraternity at the University of California was referred by the recent Convention, beg leave to report as follows:

The petitioners have accompanied their application by full, careful, and excellently prepared statements of the circumstances under which they apply, and by various interesting documents relating to the institution which they represent. From a complete perusal of these papers the committee consider that the strongest reasons for granting the application are the following:

1. The very high character of the petitioners. This is attested by several graduates of the Fraternity.
2. The well known character of the University of California, the leading higher educational institution in the Pacific States.
3. The expressed wish of so many graduate Psi Upsilon residents in the State of California.

On the other hand the committee have felt obliged to carefully consider the effect of the establishment of the proposed Chapter upon the Fraternity and upon its general polity. They agree in the following conclusions:

1. The holding of a convention in connection with the proposed Chapter would be for many years impracticable, owing to the large traveling expenses which would be incurred by the delegates.
2. It is believed that the same reason would frequently prevent the representatives of the proposed Chapter from attending conventions held in connection with the Eastern Chapters.
3. The existing condition of the Fraternity seems to demand rather internal development than external growth.
4. Recent experiences have shown pretty conclusively that no application for an additional Chapter, from whatever institution it may proceed, can secure the required unanimity among the Chapters.

For these reasons the committee recommends that the petition be denied, and that the denial be accompanied by an expression of the feelings of high respect entertained by the Fraternity for the petitioners and the institution to which they are attached, and of regret at the present impracticability of any scheme designed to extend the limits of the Psi Upsilon.

WILLARD FISKE of the Psi,
H. B. MACAULEY, Jr. of the Delta,
GEORGE T. EATON of the Gamma,

November 7th, 1877.

Committee.
MAJORITY REPORT ON ALUMNI CLUBS.

To the Delegates of the Psi Upsilon Convention:

Your Committee, appointed at the forty-fourth annual Convention of Psi Upsilon, to consider "the advisability of establishing Alumni Clubs," beg leave to submit the following report:

We have carefully considered the subject in hand, and have concluded that to establish the institution of Alumni Clubs would be inadvisable. The following are the chief reasons upon which we base our objection:

I. The various Chapters of Psi Upsilon are distinctively college organizations associated together, primarily for literary purposes, and secondarily for social pleasure. On the other hand, these Alumni Clubs would be purely social organizations, not having the same interests in common with the college Chapters. Therefore, the two ought not to be united as one organization.

II. In some instances they would exert upon certain men entering college a prejudicial influence against Psi Upsilon. For the chief features which would characterize the social organizations would be judged as indicative of the prevailing character of the literary associations.

III. If the Alumni Club is a part of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, it must be represented at the Convention the same as are the college Chapters. Each will have their particular interests, which will not infrequently conflict the one with the other, so that there will spring up a tendency to discord in our hitherto harmonious ranks.

In conclusion, we would say that your Committee can see no possible reason why there should not be social clubs established wheresoever men choose to establish them, and that it should be a clause in their constitution—if they so desire—that none but graduate members of Psi Upsilon should be admitted into the august body. But we do not see why it is a matter upon which it is necessary for the Fraternity to legislate, nor why we should try to unite two different institutions into one organization.

Very respectfully yours,

J. ALEX. HAYDEN,
W. LINCOLN SAGE,
FRED. A. BROWN,
HORATIO S. WHITE.
[APPENDIX D.]

MINORITY REPORT ON ALUMNI CLUBS.

To the General Convention Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

As a member of the Committee to which was referred the matter of establishing Alumni Clubs, I beg leave to submit the following minority report:

1st. Psi Upsilon is not exclusively a college day organization, and it is for the best interests of the Fraternity that the spirit of the order should be kept alive among its retired members.

2d. The only guarantee the Fraternity has that those whom it elects to its privileges will not prejudice its interests before the world, is the character of the men whom it enrolls upon its records.

3d. The minority of the Committee has thoroughly investigated the matter, and is of the opinion that a very excellent means of keeping the blood of her retired membership warm with the love of Psi Upsilon, would be to authorize such as may be so disposed to establish organizations of such retired members, subject to such restrictions and regulations as the Convention of the Fraternity may see fit to impose, and therefore presents the following general resolution:

Resolved, by the General Convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity,

That post collegiate fraternity associations may be formed by the retired members of the Fraternity, under the following conditions:

First. That at least twenty (20) post-collegiate members petition the Convention for the same in writing.

Second. That said petition lie on the table for one year and then be disposed of, the unanimous vote of the under-graduate delegates being necessary to granting a charter.

Third. That said organizations may be dissolved at the pleasure of the Convention, one year's notice of an intention to move such dissolution to be filed with the Convention and the association concerned.

Fourth. That said organizations conform to all the injunctions and requirements of the constitution, except representation in and taxation for the Fraternity Convention, or other distinctively fraternity expenditures.

Fifth. That in all legislation concerning such associations, only the under-graduates shall participate in the suffrage.

GEO. W. ELLIOTT (Σ 1873).

Rochester, N. Y., April 3d.
[APPENDIX E.]

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

To the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

I beg to submit the following report:

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DISBURSEMENTS.

From Council Fund.

May 6, 1877. Telegrams about taxes........... $2 83
“ 9, “ Express to Convention.............. 94
“ 10, “ Delegates’ expenses, 1877...... 15 62
“ 10, “ Convention telegrams.............. 11 60
“ 20, “ Delegates expenses, 1876, bal. . 9 25
“ 20, “ Safe Deposit rent, 1876–8........ 5 00
June 1, “ Printing Const. amendments. . 5 00
“ 1, “ Convention rules, &c. ........... 2 00
“ 1, “ Express from F. A. Brown...... 1 75
“ 1, “ Secretary, 1876–7............... 25 00
“ 16, “ Telegram.......................... 30
July 20, “ Postage, to date.............. 3 24
“ 26, “ Manifold Letter Writer........... 95
“ 26, “ Stationery......................... 1 70
“ 26, “ Exchange on drafts.............. 5 00
Nov. 6, “ Stamps........................... 81
“ 10, “ Express on Cal. documents........ 70
“ 10, “ Printing letter heads and en-
velopes.................................. 3 25
“ 10, “ Printing bill heads................. 1 00
“ 24, “ Cal. report......................... 3 00
Dec. 30, “ Postage, five mos.............. 6 46
April 1, 1878. P. O. box, 1 year........ 1 00
“ 24, “ Slips of new music............... 6 70
“ 24, “ 400 Convention notices........... 3 00
“ 30, “ Washington telegrams............. 1 12
May 2, “ Telegram to Rochester.......... 50
“ 2, “ Postage to June 18................. 6 30
“ 2, “ Loan to Song Book account........ 102 83

From Convention Fund.

May 10, 1877. Recorder, for 1876........ $25 00
“ 10, “ 1877............................... 25 00
June 25, “ Printing Records, 1877........ 32 50
July 20, “ 1000 Record extracts........ 12 80
Dec. 20, “ Balance to Xi Chapter......... 75 00
May 13, 1878. Delegate to Rochester..... 26 00
“ 13, “ Upsilon Chapter.................. 175 00
“ 28, “ Recorder, for 1878.............. 15 00

Balance of each fund on hand.............. $214 04 $24 12
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### DISBURSEMENTS.

Expense during two years for printing, stationery, postage, labor of assistant, books of reference, &c., per itemized bill.  $252 04

Balance of Catalogue fund on hand.  $968 76

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Respectfully submitted,

C. W. SMILEY, Treasurer.
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