a meeting and unanimously agreed that as they had pledged themselves to go if those men were sent off, it was their duty, regardless of consequences, to leave the Hill. During the night, however, some of the members got scared and awakened all the others so before they could have another meeting, it was conducted, as we were pressed for time, it was better to go in, which we did; but after breaking in and having thought the matter over, we came to the conclusion that the pledge was so sacred that we could not possibly remain in college without violating our pledge. We therefore sent in a petition to the faculty worded as follows:

"Gentlemen of the faculty:

"We deliberated until very late last night and this morning before prayers this morning, whether we could conscientiously return to our duties without violating our pledge, and having been pressed for time we attended our morning duties, but since then we have carefully read over the pledge and find, that we must leave the Hill, if only for a very short time, in order to save our honor. We therefore beg you to consider our case..."