

we know will be only too pleased to plead the cause that will be beneficial to Rathbone Lodge.

Bro. J. E. Evans, P. G. C., was with us for a short time one evening during the month.

Our Bro. M. of W. knows how to stir up interest in the Lodge whenever he gets started.

Bro. Gibson, on his return from Oregon, related to the brothers the value of being a Knight of Pythias, especially when among strangers; how a receipt for dues from his lodge saved him from going the rounds of the town to get some one to identify him. The receipts were good identification papers, the banker being a Knight himself. Just bear this in mind, brothers.

Bro. Simpson has been nominated, and will be elected at next meeting to the office of Prelate, the resignation of Bro. S. King being sent in and accepted.

We think it the duty of every brother Knight to attend lodge as regularly as possible, whether he holds an office or not. Come up for an hour or two, brothers, and have something for the good of the Order.

Our worthy K. or R. & S., Bro. Sheppard, has been appointed a sole Committee from our lodge to look after the graves of our departed brothers. The duties have been left in good hands.

The month of May is the month that Rathbone Lodge was instituted, and in the next number we hope to give to the readers of the "True Knight" a history of the lodge from its birth up to the present time.

ARTHUR T. CROOK.

Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, April 20th.

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FROM TRAIL.

To the Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brother.—No. 23 is still on the move, and just at the present the boys are trying to catch a few "of 'em," but somehow or other they don't seem to bite, though the members feel confident that they will capture something by the time the new Amplified paraphernalia arrives. Many of the members are working hard for the lodge, and we would like to see them rewarded for their labor. The lodge has a staunch set of Pythians that hardly know what failure is, and it is because they work for the good of the Order.

Business in our little town is somewhat on the quiet at present, owing to the closing down of the smelter last Christmas, and very little encouragement can be obtained as to when the institution will resume operations. The result is, we are sorry to say, that many of our boys who were employed there, are "pulling straws" to determine whether to wait for its resumption, or to leave for greener fields.

Among the many entertaining features of our lodge last month was a concert and dance, and to say we had a rather good time is expressing it mildly. While the programme of solos, duets, dialogues, etc., was hardly up to the standard for which we Pythians get credit, other enjoyments of the evening more than overcame any shortcomings in that respect. It was a strictly invitation affair, and nearly every home in Trail was represented on the occasion, and fully 300 guests and brother Knights were present.

An intermission was taken between the concert and dance, at which time elegant refreshments were provided. The many guests, and all, unanimously pronounced the occasion one of the most enjoyable yet given by our lodge.

Another happy culmination occurred in our midst last month, on which occasion Bro. Worth took unto himself a wife. The couple were quietly joined in wedlock in the presence of a few chosen friends. After the ceremony Bro. Worth and wife left for Spokane, on a wedding trip. Upon their return they were greeted with the kindest and best wishes for future prosperity and happiness. The honeymoon seems to have developed into a protracted one, for as yet—eight weeks—we have not had the pleasure of sizing-up Bro. Worth in the lodge room.

The Amplified form is now the craze of No. 23, and the two selected teams are hard at work fitting and qualifying themselves for "Senatorial" honors: in other words, each team is hustling to see which will adorn the new uniforms. The gowns, if any, are to be of the most elaborate design that can be secured for the money—\$250. Each meeting a recess is taken, and the respective teams arrange the floor for practice, and members who have the pleasure of seeing this work, make exceedingly good mock candidates for initiation.

That Trail's Pythian Knights are composed of excellent family-raisers is evidenced by the arrival of two baby boys at the respective homes of Brothers John F. Fluhrer, and Evan Williams, during the past month. Bro. Fluhrer has since remembered us by appearing in Castle Hall with a box of Havanas. A vote of thanks, together with congratulations, was extended to him, and a wish that the occasion would occur a little oftener, that we may forever be supplied with the flowery leaf. As to Bro. Williams, well, the occasion only happened a week ago, so the doctor has not allowed him as yet to inhale the balmy zephyrs of Spring, which accounts for his non-appearance, so No. 23 will lie low and await developments.

We had the extreme pleasure of greeting our Worthy Grand Chancellor, Bro. James Haddow, the last of March, and, to tell the facts, there was a hot time in the lodge room that night. Bro. Haddow, upon his visit, immediately took the chair, and after a short, but pleasing lecture, exemplified the secret work to us, and in many instances we must admit that we were a "little off" in some of the work, and so were all the more thankful to see him and be righted. Bro. Haddow then gave us a little history regarding the condition of other lodges he had visited on his trip, and his smiling countenance and sentiments expressed to us indicated that our hall, general make-up and attendance "took the cake." He then called on

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THE FAMOUS STOVES and RANGES.

All Correspondence carefully attended to.

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