

Of Bro. Lillie, P. C., I cannot speak too highly. He has treated me kindly upon several occasions when I have had the pleasure of meeting him, and I appreciate it.

At the rate Nelson Lodge, No. 25, is initiating members I think that banner Lodge on the Coast will have to look to its laurels.

As I am writing under difficulties, in a tent pitched on damp ground, you will please pardon scrawl and incoherence, as, like a good many of the navvies here, I have a touch of grippe, but not sufficiently severe to prevent me making my beat of three miles twice a day.

Yours fraternally,

WALT. J. SPAUL.

Nelson, B.C., March 24th, 1900.

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FROM CRUSADER.

To the Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brother,—March has been a busy month with the officers and members of Crusader Lodge, No. 19, K. of P., many applications having been received and acted upon. The attendance has been much larger than during any time since the Lodge was instituted. Too much credit cannot be given to the officers, who are putting forth every energy to make the Lodge a success, and to Bro. H. J. DeForest, who is a regular attendant, and is always found at the organ, which improves the meetings in the opening and closing of the Lodge.

Much sympathy is felt for Bro. McDermot, who is mourning the loss of his sister. Bro. McDermot is one of our most energetic members, and has his eye always open to the best interests of the Order.

Bro. Noonan, of Far West Lodge, Victoria, is confined to the City Hospital. His brother knights wish for his speedy recovery.

Grand Lodge Representative, Bro. Hoffmeister, is hard at work preparing and arranging for the Grand Lodge session, which will meet at Rossland. We trust the brother will have a pleasant trip, and a profitable one for the Order in general.

Your correspondent had the pleasure of visiting Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, one evening last month, and cannot refrain from commenting upon their efficient K. of R. and Seal, Bro. M. J. Conroy.

Yours in F. C. & B.,

Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., April 1st, 1900.

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A HEARTY WELCOME.

Vancouver's Castle Hall is becoming one of the chief centres of patriotic orders in the City. For some time past, in addition to the Pythian Lodges meeting there, the Sons of England have made the hall their headquarters and on Tuesday night, April 3rd, Balaclava Lodge, Sons of St. George, also took up its residence in the Castle Hall and commemorated the occasion by entertaining the members and their friends to a most enjoyable social.

VICTORIA NOTES.

The Victoria members attending the Grand Lodge at Rossland on May 8th will be Grand Officers E. Pferdner, G. K. of R. & S., and G. M. of E., Bro. E. P. Nathan, also delegates J. J. Randolph and W. D. Kinnauld of Victoria Lodge, and T. D. Barnhardt, of Far West Lodge.

On Wednesday, March 28th, Bro. William Goudie laid the remains of his wife in their last resting place. The funeral was largely attended by his brother Knights, who showed much sympathy for the bereft husband. The Rev. Mr. Knox conducted the services, and the pall-bearers were Messrs. E. C. Smith, J. J. Randolph, A. W. Huson, H. Smith, E. Rambose and E. T. Forward.

On Thursday, March 15th, a special convention of Victoria Lodge, No. 17, was called, when two candidates were initiated to the ranks. A social time and dance followed the conclusion of the business meeting.

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LOCALS.

The Portland, Ore., lodges have decided to build and own a Castle Hall of their own.

Bro. A. C. Thompson of Gold Range Lodge, Revelstoke, has been paying the Terminal City a flying visit.

Mrs. Maxwell, mother of our Editor, is very ill indeed. The "True Knight" hopes for her speedy recovery.

There is considerable activity in the Vancouver City Lodges at present. Quite a number of candidates are taking their ranks.

The "True Knight" extends to Bro. McDermott of Crusader Lodge, its deepest sympathy for the loss of his sister, who died recently in the East.

The Committee of the "True Knight" is very much indebted to the members of Primrose Lodge for the increased number of subscribers to the "True Knight."

The "True Knight" extends best wishes for a long and prosperous career to the new lodge at Kelowna, and may Bro. Woltz long be spared to guide in their Pythian work.

We are in receipt of a circular letter from the Minneapolis "Times." We hope to hear further of this when the "Review," referred to therein, shall reach the desk of our Editor.

The Order in this Domain is much indebted to Bro. H. G. Mutter, P. G. R., of Coldstream Lodge, No. 18, for his earnest and faithful work throughout the Okanagan District.

Bro. A. M. Tyson will shortly have the finest fish store in town. We understand that fish will not be the only article to be procured there, as it is said he is going into the packing business as well.

Bro. Pas. Chancellor M. J. Conroy, at present K. of R. and S. of Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, deserves special mention for the energetic manner in which he carries on his duties. He is second to none in the Domain.