

REPORTS OF GRAND OFFICES OF KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS SHOWS RECORD PROGRESS—FINANCES IN HEALTHY GONDION.

Mr. Bryce, the claims of the American shore to the United States as long as the river was a part of the American territory. They also claimed a right to the river.

ANNUAL MEETING NOW BEING HELD.

Continued From Page 1. Grand Chancellor. The report of Grand Chancellor S. A. McDonald was:

On this, the twenty-third annual convention of the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias of the Maritime Provinces, it is my very pleasant duty to extend fraternal greetings to you, the officers and members of this lodge.

We have to be reached the twenty-third milestone along the great highway to that perfection which is the aim and ambition of all true and loyal Pythian knights, and I think it quite in order that we should pause for a brief space and review the ground over which we have travelled that we may take heart and courage to reach the goal.

As we meet from year to year at this balancing time when to use a commercial expression, we find to which side of the account we must credit or debit the year's work, we comprehend more fully the meaning of the great word, Brotherhood, embodying the three beautiful principles of our order, namely, Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

The Pythian order, based on such principles, is to-day one of the greatest factors for good in the world. I feel that I am guilty of no exaggeration when I make this statement which is fully warranted by the records of our achievements.

I am sure it is gratifying to you as it is to me, to note the great success attained by our order in this Dominion. Slowly but surely we are climbing to a high and honorable position among the orders of a similar nature, notwithstanding that as a matter of years, we are but infants compared with many of the older organizations.

I believe by every individual member endeavoring to appreciate the principles of the order and exemplifying the same in his daily life, the Pythian order will become a synonym of all that is good and noble.

The ideals and lessons taught the candidates through the gradations from rank to rank must surely have a lasting influence on their lives.

We are proud to know that our beloved order is enlarging its membership, extending its influence, and commanding to-day a leading position as one of the greatest fraternal organizations in the land.

When you elected me to the high office of Grand Chancellor, I accepted it with a feeling of responsibility, and I desire there was to have the pleasure of visiting every lodge in the domain, and to carefully study conditions as they existed. But I regret to say that private business matters over which I had almost fully no control deprived me of that cherished duty. I trust some day to be able to avail myself of this privilege, although not as your executive head.

There are still in our domain some weak lodges that require careful attention. The matter of getting the members of such lodges to take an interest in their work is to me one of the greatest problems that any Grand Body has to deal with. Collingwood, Border and Sea-side are in need of assistance. Spending money on weak lodges has not always been conducive of good results.

Delinquent lodges like delinquent members are hard to master. During the term, I endeavored as far as possible to keep in touch with the deputies of the various lodges. I regret that some of them have failed to submit a report of their official duties.

SULTAN OPERS HIS COUNTRYMEN TO CEASE ATTACKING THE SPANISH MOROCCO AND REQUESTS MADRID TO WITHDRAW HER TROOPS

Madrid on the Other Hand Anticipates More Bloodshed and Demands Aggressive Campaign.

Marina While Conferring with Moorish Chiefs Plans Fresh Advance.

Germany Will not Interfer Unless Algeciras Pact is Broken.

Fez, Morocco, Aug. 16.—General Bagdad, commander of the Sultan's troops, left today for the Rif region bearing the Sultan's orders that the tribesmen cease attacking the Spaniards. At the same time the Sultan instructed the Moroccan special embassy at Madrid to advise the Spanish government of General Bagdad's mission and to request that the Spanish government should refrain from making an offensive movement against the tribesmen.

Colonel Dodge, who is commanding the first regiment of the Maritime Provinces, in bringing this branch of the order to a high state of efficiency, lodges that have a military branch claim it has been a strong factor in adding to their membership. I extend a most hearty welcome to the Sir Knights and trust that they may have a profitable and inspiring session at this, the sixteenth annual session of their assembly.

The following Grand Lodge cards have been issued: Brother E. B. D. Armond, Winnipeg; Brother H. R. Picketts, Campbellton, N. B.; Brother W. Baird, Moncton and Brother J. A. McDonald, Moncton.

St. John lodge amended its by-laws; Maple Leaf lodge approved by-laws; New Brunswick lodge approved by-laws; Frontier lodge changed night of meeting; Chignecto lodge changed night of meeting and Frederick lodge renewed balloting of officers.

St. John lodge approved by-laws; reinitiated, 44; total additions 58. Suspended, 37; withdrawn, 17; died, 7. Total lost, 134. Membership, 2,146.

The membership report herewith submitted shows the membership June 30, 1908, the number admitted and lost by each lodge for the year, and the membership June 30, last.

Assets of Subordinate Lodges. Cash on hand and in banks, general fund, \$9,407.13; widow and orphan fund, \$9,407.13; paraphernalia and furniture, \$13,872.36; real estate, \$8,530. Making a total of \$40,489.16, which is an increase of \$2,738.40 as compared with June 30, 1908.

On June 30, 1908, the membership was 2,146. On October 31, last, it was 2,178. This shows a loss of 78 members, 54 of this loss is due to Crescent Lodge of Summerside, having a charter of 23, surrendering their charter, and Strathcona Lodge, of Truro, suspending an unusually large number, 31. The total additions to membership of the other lodges was 98, and the total number of members lost was 92, making a net loss by active lodges, 24.



Mulât Hafid, Sultan of Morocco, has sent a note to the Powers which signed the Algeciras treaty, and Germany would not interfere in Mellila as long as Spain fulfills the terms of the Algeciras treaty regarding free trade and equal rights. In regard to communications from the Sultan, the only one is that in which Mulât Hafid offered to chastise the Rif tribes if the Spanish ceased hostilities, an offer which was categorically declined.

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EDUCATIONAL. Rothesay Collegiate School. Michaelmas Term begins TUESDAY, September 14th. To Junior Boys entering this year two scholarships are open for competition.

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REOPENS 15 SEPTEMBER. HARVEY STATION. The Misses MacKinnon and Miss Buckley, of West End, St. John, are guests at the Robinson House. Improvements on the Station House are progressing favorably.

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