

Order a positive injury. About the proceedings, it is hardly necessary to say much beyond asking the brethren to read the report carefully. It is well worth reading. The writers write well. We question if any other portion of our Pythian world will receive such a report as the Knights of British Columbia have received. We are under everlasting obligations to Brothers Antie and Ackerman, and the work they have done more than justifies the confidence reposed in them. With such men guiding the helm of the Pythian ship, we need never be afraid of any storm that may sweep over us. The sessions of the Supreme Lodge seem to have been breezy. A breeze is good, the only pity is, that gossip or slander should have caused it. The croaker, the disappointed office seeker, the man with a grievance is always with us. It is a shame, however, that for the sake of booming himself he should stab the Order which he pretended to love. Beware of the gossipier. He is a mean contemptible specimen of humanity wherever he is found. And gossip too is vile. However, all's well that ends well. We cannot calculate the harm done. We cannot know the number of minds which have been poisoned, but we are proud to note, that after a most searching investigation the lies were clinched, the slanderer was exposed, every brother wrongly accused was justified, while our Grand Order was found to be built upon solid ground, and was growing in strength and usefulness.

In reading over the report we were particularly charmed with the Supreme Chancellor's references to the brethren in British Columbia. Though coming in a sense a stranger to us, we did not take him in, but we did take him into our hearts. He is one of nature's noblemen, and we are gratified that the humble efforts to make his sojourn pleasant, interesting, and profitable were so much appreciated. We can only hope that our new Supreme Chancellor will come and see us, for while such visits have no political significance, yet when we know and love each other—as Pythian Knights do—we cannot but believe that such love will sway political action.

Food for thought, and very digestible food will be found in the special prominence which the Supreme Chancellor gave to the importance of the Pythian Press. Our readers need not expect or wait over the sorrows of our Editor. We have not been promised anything. Blessed are those who expect nothing, for they will not be disappointed. Little army of ready writers connected with our Press deserve the honor conferred upon them. They are doing a great, a necessary, and a blessed work. They are shining lights, and were these to be blotted out, there would be great darkness in the Pythian firmament. Give them all, brethren, not cheap, but practical sympathy. Pass your dollar along. We need hardly call your attention to the report of the Supreme Lodge finances. Our representatives give us a very clear statement of how these stand. There was need evidently for drawing in our horns so far as expenditure was concerned, although it is pleasing to know that there was no crookedness and no dishonesty practised by any one. We commend the actions of the Supreme Lodge in cutting down expenses, especially in salaries, and it is practically gratifying to be assured, that the changes made will bring forth a surplus. Again we say we hope our brethren all over will read and digest this

report. There is a great deal of information in it which every Knight ought to know. It must have cost our brethren a great deal of labor to put it together, and they have done their work well. For our own part, we have read it, and have been stimulated and encouraged by it. There is one manifest tone in it, and that is hopefulness. There is one manifest spirit in it, and that is love—love for the brethren—and love for Pythianism, and no brother can come in contact with such spirits without being blessed. Knights of British Columbia—our Order has been passing through a crisis. That crisis is past now. We believe that our Order has come out of the trial purer, brighter and nobler. Remember our work is not to make money, good as that may be. Our work is to help, to comfort, and to protect. These are the grand things of the universe. We exist as an Order that we may do these things. Our proud satisfaction is that we do them. Let us thank God for the kindly hearts, and the fertile brains which brought Pythianism into existence, and let us thank the Divine Chancellor that we are permitted again and again in His Name, through our Castle Halls to be His servants in times of distress. Long may our Order flourish, but may it grow, through Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

Wanted:—Men.

Not systems fit and wire,
Not gaiths with rigid eyes,
Not wealth in mountains piles,
Not power with gracious smiles,
Nor even the potent pen.

Wanted:—Men.

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Not words of winning note,
Not thoughts from life remote,
Not fond religious airs,
Not sweet languid prayers,
Not love of scent creeds,

Wanted:—Deeds.

Men and Deeds.

Men that can dare and do,
Not longings for the new
Not prating for the old;
Good life and action bold—
These the occasion needs.

Men and Deeds.

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Great activity is being displayed among the Knights in Manitoba and the North West Territories. During the past month new lodges have been instituted at Macleod and Medicine Hat, also reorganization has taken place at Lethbridge and Calgary. All this has been through the efforts of Bro. H. J. Finney, Grand Organizer for Manitoba and the North West Territories. It might not be out of place to say that the Knights of British Columbia had better look out for their laurels.

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