

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

To the Officers and Members of the City Lodges of Vancouver, Knights of Pythias:—

Dear Sirs and Brothers,—Your Committee in charge of the publication of the "True Knight" begs leave to submit the following report:

## RECEIPTS.

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| Balance on hand, July 31st.....         | \$ 16 97 |
| To receipts for month of August.....    | 119 63   |
| To receipts for month of September..... | 80 50    |
| To receipts for month of October.....   | 55 50    |
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|                                         | \$272 60 |

## CONTRA.

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| By disbursement for August.....    | \$ 94 16 |
| By disbursement for September..... | 79 60    |
| By disbursement for October.....   | 80 75    |
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|                                    | \$254 51 |

## ASSETS.

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| Balance on hand October 31st..... | \$ 18 09 |
| Outstanding accounts .....        | 90 50    |
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|                                   | \$108 59 |

## LIABILITIES.

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| To amount advanced by Granville Lodge No. 3.....  | \$ 21 00 |
| To amount advanced by Rathbone Lodge, No. 7.....  | 21 61    |
| To amount advanced by Crusader Lodge, No. 19..... | 21 00    |
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|                                                   | \$ 63 61 |
| Assets above liabilities.....                     | <hr/>    |
|                                                   | \$ 44 98 |

Time and again we have called attention to the necessity of support to the Advertising Committee having charge of the "True Knight." As we have pointed out so frequently, the life of this journal depends to a very great extent upon our advertising department, as is the case with all publications. Whilst we know our advertisements far outnumber those of any like paper, we would draw attention to the fact that further support is required for such a live journal. We have not any fault to find with the subscriptions: they continue on the increase. But we must insist that this Committee receive greater support. Being busy during the day is not any excuse for allowing the burden of the work to fall on a devoted few, who, were the truth known, have to work harder during the day than any of the rest and then burn the midnight oil to win success for the "True Knight." The Committee's work is gratuitous and should therefore receive double support.

H. J. ANSTIE,

Chairman.

J. E. EVANS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

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## THE BORDER KNIGHT.

To the Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Bro.—I duly received the October number of the "True Knight," and was

somewhat surprised to find you had considered my communication, in which I enclosed my subscription, fit for publication therein. The compositor made a somewhat slight error in setting up my name, as "W. J. S. Paul"; it should be "W. J. Spaul." However, that is neither here nor there.

I was especially interested in that cleverly-written article by (I presume) the Editor, on "Peace and Pythianism," and also the address by Grand Prelate, Rev. George M. Bodge, on Pythianism.

The reading of the above has moved me to pen a few lines regarding Pythianism, as it appears to exist in the Kootenays, and if my weak efforts may help in the slightest measure to elevate the Order I shall feel proud and gratified.

No doubt all of the members of my own Lodge, New Denver, No. 22, have read with interest Editor Lowery's humorous and graphic account of his trip to the Boundary, published in the New Denver "Ledge" of Thursday, 5th inst. Well, I too, recently made a business trip to Grand Forks, Columbia and adjacent towns, and will try and record my impressions of some knights I met, and the general welfare of the Order in the Boundary. The first Bro. Knight I met was F. W. Goericke, of Nelson Lodge, No. 105, State of Washington. I always wear a badge and this worthy brother, who was evidently a farmer, did likewise; hence the acquaintance. This brother, immediately after we had introduced ourselves, extended me a cordial invitation to visit his lodge, which is only three miles from Columbia, but, unfortunately, I could not remain long enough to take advantage of it. He showed me the places of interest, pointed out the Boundary Line, locations of mines, etc., and gave me a very pleasant hour, and I was loth to part with him. I intend to visit his lodge the first opportunity. I consider Bro. Goericke has the true principles of friendship imbued into his system.

Note the opposite:—I met another brother knight, whose name I shall withhold for obvious reasons. He is a man in an influential position and evidently prosperous. He certainly "used me white," after we had become acquainted, but he fell in my estimation during the course of conversation. He asked me why I wore a badge, and upon my informing him, that it was for the purpose of proclaiming to brother knights that I was one of them and a friend, he told me I was foolish; "for," said he, "I never wear a badge because you meet so many members who are working men and laborers and one doesn't like to know that kind of people outside the lodge-room." Now, what do you think of that, Mr. Editor? I know what I thought, and I told him, too. This brother had altogether a wrong idea of Pythianism. We don't want men of this kind in our Order. There must be no "circles" or "cliques" in it. So long as a Pythian knight is sober, honest and a law-abiding citizen, he has the right of recognition from all true knights. It is, indeed, poor friendship that discriminates between honesty and affluence.

I believe in wearing a badge, and think every knight should do so. It is wonderful what a number of friends my badge has won for me.