

head and Revelstoke back to Vancouver at 12.30 p.m. on Friday, after a most enjoyable trip. Right here, before I close, I desire to endorse all that has ever been said about the good qualities of our brother Knights in the Kootenay District. I could continue to tell you a great deal more of the good impressions that I received during this trip, but fear that I will weary your readers. However, if they, or any of them, ever take a trip through the Kootenay, they too will join me in singing the praises of our brother Knights up there. While I have written much more than I intended, I fear that I have forgotten to mention many true brother Knights who have shown me great favors and kindnesses during my trip. These I hope will excuse me, for it is my head and not my heart that is at fault, and these I include once more in thanking one and all for favors and kindnesses received, and I wish all brother Knights throughout B. C. a merry Christmas and a very happy and prosperous New Year, and believe me

Sincerely and fraternally yours, in F. C. & B.
C. L. BEHNSEN.

FROM NEW DENVER.

Editor "True Knight."

I hope you will excuse me for intruding on your valuable space, but the thought just entered my mind that you might think we had followed the bear's example and hidden ourselves for the winter, but I assure you such is not the case.

Just here I want to compliment you on the True Knight. I find great pleasure in reading it myself, and it is always good reading for a prospective candidate.

Now, as to what we have been doing up here. I expect our Lodge correspondent will object to my trespassing on his ground, but as he appears to be too bashful to write himself, I will just tell the news for him.

We had a great time one night a short time ago. The occasion was our first "At Home." We had invited "all the world" to come and see us that night, and very nearly all of our little world accepted the invitation. Our "bill of fare" consisted of games of all kinds, a short programme, refreshments at 10:15 . m., and then dancing till all were ready to go home in the "we sma" hours. We had over a hundred guests to amuse, and they one and all expressed themselves as well pleased.

The next event was a visit from our worthy Bro. Irvine, of Vancouver, and he not being satisfied with our condition, must needs occupy the local pulpit one Sunday and hold forth most eloquently on our spiritual needs. We were delighted to see him, and were only sorry that he could not stay to come to our Lodge meeting.

The organizing of the Uniform Rank in Sandon was the next excitement, and their first act was to have a church parade, and some of us must go to Sandon to be "in on it." Our worthy C. C., Bro. Evans, Bro. Jeffery, of New Westminster, and myself went from here. Our Sandon brothers looked very grand indeed in their nobby new uniforms, and seemed to be very enthusiastic over it. The service was held in Virginia Hall, and was conducted by Rev. Bros. Cleland and Sanford, both in their uniforms. To say that their addresses were grand would be speaking mildly. No true knight could listen to them and not feel

the better of it, and one could not help but wish to try to carry out the teachings of our beloved Order more perfectly after listening to their words. We are not quite up with our Sandon brothers now, since they organized the Uniform Rank, but we mean to have one some day.

I am pleased to be able to report a little progress here this winter: a few applications are coming in, and that means initiations, and I do not think we will have any suspensions.

We have had some sickness, and have paid out over \$20 for sick benefits and relief, so we feel that we are doing just a little bit after all.

We are economizing now, and possibly that is why we don't advertise, but I consider that false economy, and perhaps the rest of the Lodge will soon think so too, in which case you will have to get space ready for us. Wishing you will have had a Merry Xmas, and will enjoy a Happy New Year, I remain

Truly and fraternally yours,
C. F. NELSON.

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FROM KAMLOOPS.

Editor of True Knight.

I was pained to learn this morning of the death of the wife of Bro. James Douglas, of 919 Westminster avenue, Vancouver. Bro. Douglas was one of the charter members of Primrose Lodge, No. 20, and always a true Knight. Every member of the lodge sympathizes with him in his sad bereavement. I understand the Board of Relief have been notified in Vancouver, and therefore we know that Bro. Douglas will be well looked after in his hour of trial.

The following officers have been elected for the next term: C. C., T. D. Guest; V. C., G. T. Malley; Prelate, G. E. Welsh; M. of W., R. Clark; K. of R. and S., D. C. Mackenzie; re-elected: M. of F. R. Mackay; re-elected: M. of E., J. L.

