

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF "TRUE KNIGHT."

Vancouver, B. C., April 30th, 1899.

To H. J. Anstie, Chairman, and members of the Committee of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brothers,—Herewith I beg to hand you my quarterly statement of the "True Knight" for the quarter ending April 30th, 1899, and trust it will meet with your approval.

Owing to press of business the collections are not as close as the previous quarters, but the quarter ending 31st July will show these to be in better shape, and also other matters relating to the paper.

Fraternally submitted in F. C. & B.,

J. E. EVANS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

QUARTER ENDING APRIL 30th, 1899.

REVENUE.

Feb. 1.—Cash balance bro't forward from quarter ending 31st January.....	\$121 72
Feb. 28.—Advertising for February.....	46 00
Feb. 28.—Subscriptions for February.....	27 86
Mch. 31.—Advertising for March.....	75 75
Mch. 31.—Subscriptions for Mch.	15 51
April 30.—Advertising for April	23 50
	<u>\$310 34</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Feb. 28.—Expenditure for February.....	\$ 77 13
Mch. 31.—Expenditure for March	78 62
April 30.—Expenditure for April	69 35
	<u>\$225 10</u>
Balance.....	85 24
	<u>\$310 34</u>

May 1.—Cash balance..... \$ 85 24

Statement of Assets and Liabilities—Quarter ending April 30th, 1899:—

ASSETS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 85 24
Outstanding accounts.....	63 75
	<u>\$148 99</u>

LIABILITIES.

Loan from Granville Lodge, No. 3.....	\$ 21 00
Loan from Rathbone Lodge,	

No. 7.....	21 16
Loan from Crusader Lodge,	
No 19.....	21 00
Assets over liabilities.....	85 83
	<u>\$148 99</u>

May 1.—Assets over liabilities.. \$ 85 83

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STOP SCANDALISING THE ORDER.

The rites and ceremonies of Pythianism are both solemn and important, when administered with proper care and decorum. There is nothing in them for the foundation of light and frivolous remarks or silly threats of goats or dire calamities of ice-water tanks, greased poles, branding irons, et cetera. In tone its rites vie with the highest and best, and are not hurt by the comparison of their literary merit and the important lessons taught. Certain threatening or mysterious remarks sometimes made to candidates awaken ideas and apprehensions entirely foreign to the Order and more suitable to some fun-making so-called "side degree." Officers and members cannot be too careful to impress those seeking Pythian honors that they are about to enter into associations which are elevating in character and of the highest social and personal benefit. Such reports as that "a man in Chicago was stricken with insanity while taking the Knight degree," is not only untrue but silly, and shows that the writer's ignorance of the language of the Order may account for his making such false statement; and, further, that such statements, found in the organ of an order, give to the enemies of secret benevolent orders an argument they can consistently repeat to the credulous as against such organisations. There is no "Knight degree" in the Order of Knights of Pythias; there is a "Rank of Knight" to which seekers after Pythian Knighthood are advanced, and which not only does not drive men into insanity, but makes them nobler and better men, better citizens, better husbands and fathers; it leads them to a higher plane of manhood, makes them defenders of the weak and defenseless, and promotes patriotic loyalty to brothers, state and country. This is Pythianism—its obverse is such as we have referred to above.

KNIGHT.

SPRING HATS

We are showing all the new shapes in Fedora and Stiff Hats this season in slate, fawn, brown and black, also a large range of light weight straw goods with fancy bands. Linnen hats will be greatly worn this summer. We have a great variety to select from.

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