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FROM LANGLEY.

Langley, B. C., July 27th, 1898.

My Dear Brothers:—Perhaps you will excuse me for penning you this short epistle for publication.

I ask your indulgence, because I write unauthoritatively, in so much as I am not a regular correspondent; that particular personage for our lodge, having not yet been chosen.

But I am of opinion that you, as Worthy Knights, would be pleased to hear at any time from any of your numerous brethren throughout this Grand Domain.

Further, and greatest of all, and that which would prompt me most in writing for your publication is the love I have for each and every Knight, the zeal I have in our noble order, and the anxiety for success with which I view the inauguration of a Pythian paper in this Grand Domain.

In our little brotherhood, which we have been pleased to designate Langley Lodge, No. 13, K. of P., and which holds its regular sessions twice a month, viz: the 1st and 3rd Saturday at 8 p. m. in our Castle Hall, Langley, B. C., we have a membership of over 30.

The officers of the present semi-annual term have not yet been elected through lack of holding a meeting.

The officers of the semi-annual term ending June 30th, and consequently those acting at the present time, are as follows: C. C., Bro. S. Took; V. C., Bro. R. N. Took; K. of R. & S., Bro. Jno. Macdonald; M. at A., Bro. G. Allen; Prelate, Bro. P. Brown; M. of F., Bro. G. Took; M. of E., Bro. W. P. Ogilvie; M. of W., Bro. Jno. Allen; Inner Guard, Bro. M. Melver; Outer Guard, Bro. J. Allen.

These are the workers of our lodge. Not that the others would not do just as much, and probably more and better work, but they have not the opportunity. You may ask: How is that? The answer is: They are not here. They have become scattered over our large Province, delving in the mine, catching the fish with which our waters are teeming, or engaged in various other pursuits which the necessities and exigencies of the time require, and for which a benevolent Providence has given our Province such a plentiful share.

This profuse scattering of our brothers is the greatest difficulty under which we labor, and this difficulty is, I think, particularly that of our own lodge.

Our boys though have the right "make-up," and though they probably enter our Castle Hall but once in a great while, yet the Grand Order is never quite forgotten, as is shown by them keep-

ing their dues well paid up (generally in advance). Thus, though they cannot assist us by their presence at our meetings, they aid us in the only way they can, with their "cash," which of course is of vital necessity.

As a result of this strict attention to their standing in the lodge, we are well off financially, having a cash surplus of over \$300; not a small item for a small fraternity such as our own, and certainly a good showing for a lodge the members of which are scattered over so large a portion of this fair Province.

But while we are thus separated in body, we are yet united in heart, close in mind, and a strong fraternal band ever ready to extend to each other the blessings of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

Yours in F. C. and B.
W. P. OGILVIE.

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RATHBONE ITEMS.

Rathbone Lodge, with its new staff of officers, promises to have a very successful term. All that is now wanted is for a few of the non-workers to turn out at the meetings and pledge themselves to fetch in one new member. Rathbone has the name of being the banner lodge, why not keep it brothers?

The warm weather has a little effect on the attendance of the lodge, but notwithstanding the heat, Rathbone had over a quorum at last meeting, and our worthy Master of Finance made the remark that he was going to raise fifty dollars, and he came very close to it. The joint committee from the different lodges met together after the close of Rathbone Lodge, Bro. Anstie, chairman. Bro. J. E. Evans, Secretary, and from the enthusiasm there was among the committee, and the way they got down to business, you may look forward for a most interesting Pythian paper.

When Bro. Darling made his welcome appearance at lodge last meeting, most of the members expected to hear something good in the line of a recitation, but were disappointed, but we expect one later on.

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