

brethren attending the World's Bicycle Meet may have mail matter addressed, and be at home. The Knights of Montreal have set an example that other domains may well follow.

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FROM FAR WEST.

To the Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brother,—Far West is still progressing in her old serene way. The following officers were installed on the 14th by Bro. T. F. Gold, Deputy Grand Chancellor, for the ensuing term: M. of W., J. H. Penketh; C. C., W. P. Smith; V. C., A. Lewis; Prel., E. Schaffer; M. of A., T. W. Walker; I. G., J. Fair; O. G., H. Rendell; Fin. Com., D. T. Barnhart, T. F. Gold, J. H. Penketh.

There is to be a great time here next month on Societies Day. All visiting knights are cordially invited to take part in the parade, etc., and visiting brethren will be looked after by a Joint Committee from Far West, No. 1, and Victoria, No. 17.

Far West received your valued correspondence on the 21st, and its contents have our closest attention.

Far West received a visit last Friday night from one of its old members, H. F. W. Behnson, who has been absent in the northern gold-fields for the past two years.

Yours fraternally,

JAS. H. PENKETH,  
Victoria, B. C., July 23rd, 1899.

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FROM RATHBONE.

To the Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brother,—With the August number the "True Knight" enters upon its second year, and with the present Committee to conduct it, it promises to be a very successful one. Great credit is due to the worthy Secretary for the time and work he devotes to the paper.

We are pleased to see Grand Chancellor, Bro. W. D. Mearns around again after a couple of weeks' illness. Many a man would have let everything go until quite recovered, but not so with him. When still quite ill, his brain was at work planning out the welfare of the Order.

The installation of officers for Rathbone was indeed in every way a success. The Grand Chancellor assisted by Bro. Whiteway, and Bro. Hoffmeister, conducted the ceremonies in a manner that was a credit to them.

We received a statement from the Excursion Committee, also, enclosing a cheque for a snug little sum, being the amount of one-third of the surplus receipts. This is the best done yet by any excursion.

We received an invitation from Granville Lodge, No. 3, to join them at their convention on Wednesday, the 19th instant, at the installation of officers. Granville Lodge sets a good example in starting something of this kind. These friendly visits do more good than anything else, and are something that we should all encourage. Those who we absent missed a rare treat. There were ice-cream and cake, and some of Kurtz & Company's cigars to help digest the dainties after they were down. There

was nothing small about Granville Lodge except perhaps the attendance, and we think that if all had known what was on, they would have turned out to a man.

I hope the correspondent of Granville Lodge will excuse me if I infringe on any of the news that he wishes to jot down, but this was one event I could not overlook.

Speaking of at endance, several suggestions were made in the best way, with a view to increasing the membership and getting a larger gathering at the regular meetings. Bro. Whiteley, in his remarks, suggested that the Grand Chancellor organise a lodge of Pthian sisters, as this branch had now been endorsed by the Supreme Lodge, he giving as example the success this branch of the Order was making in different parts of the United States, and we overheard a murmur of approval from a couple of our bachelor friends.

Our Grand Chancellor dwelt at some length on the importance of the social part of the membership. He felt that something in the way of fraternal visits was sadly needed, and that the brothers should dispel that cold feeling that seems to prevail, by a handshake, a smile and a pleasant greeting, and by so doing soon advance the attendance and the welfare of the Order.

Rathbone Lodge, or rather the Rank team expects to confer the Amplified Third on an Esquire from Granite Lodge, No. 10, New Westminster, on Friday evening, July 28th, and we hope the "True Knight" will be able to chronicle the overwhelming numbers that will turn out to participate in the event.

ARTHUR T. CROOK.  
Vancouver, B. C., July 20th, 1899.

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FROM COLDSTREAM.

To the Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brother,—Last convention was a very interesting and busy one. D. G. C., R. W. Neil, assisted by Past Chancellors, Riley and Muller and Bro. C. E. Costerton, installed the following officers: P. C., M. C. Davidson; C. C., A. Leishman; V. C., P. Marks; P., A. Weeks; M. of W., F. Gibbs; K. of R. & S., Ed. Goulet; M. of E., R. W. Neil; M. of F., M. C. Davidson; M. at A., G. R. Lawrence; I. G., Thomas Dawe; O. G., E. Simmons.

The different reports showed an increase of 12 members and assets of over \$1,900, with no liabilities.

It was a pleasure to listen to the several speeches made by the new officers, promising to do their utmost to advance the welfare of Coldstream Lodge.

It was decided to renew our subscription to the "True Knight," and add six more copies, so that all the members will have an opportunity to peruse our worthy magazine. A new set of by-laws to comply with the changes was adopted.

It is proposed to hold a K. of P. picnic during the Summer.

Yours in F. C. B.,  
ED. GOULET.  
Vernon, B. C., July 19th, 1899.