

of silver service suitably engraved for the occasion. G. V. C., Bro. W. D. Mearns made the presentation on behalf of Rathbone Lodge, and took the brother completely by surprise. Bro. Crook recovered himself sufficiently to feelingly thank the brethren for their manifestation of good will and Knightly feeling.

Bro. Crook, as Charter member of Rathbone Lodge, has shown great zeal in the Order and has been one of the most active workers of the Lodge. He has filled the chairs and has represented his Lodge in the Grand Lodge. He has ever been a consistent and worthy member.

The "True Knight" tenders to him its congratulations, and wishes him and his estimable wife all the happiness that can possibly fall to the lot of mortals.

The following is address as presented:

J. A. Mitchell, C. C. W. D. Mearns, K. of R. & S. Castle Hall, Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, K. of P. Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 7th, 1898.

To Bro. Arthur T. Crook, Past Chancellor and Past Grand Representative, Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, Knights of Pythias:—

Your brother Knights of Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, K. of P., extend to you their sincere congratulations and wish you much joy and prosperity in the new life upon which you have embarked.

As an evidence of the esteem which this lodge entertains for you, we beg of you to accept this address, and a slight token of journey through life be one of pleasant memories.

God grant that no trouble mar your path, but should it be your lot, your will have a wife to whom you can look with confidence and comfort, and whose devotions to you will be your unflinching support. That you both may be happy, and that your happiness may increase with your years is the prayer and wishes of your brother Knights.

Fraternally yours in F., C. & B.,

Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, Knights of Pythias.

By W. D. MEARNS,

K. of R. & S.

We wish to say in conclusion that it is far better for us to show our appreciation to the living, than to wait until our brothers are laid away in the ground before we discover their good qualities.

Bro. A. T. Crook of Rathbone Lodge did not allow the members of that Lodge to hold the "bulge" on him long. The next convention following the presentation found him at the lodge,

smiling his usual smile, but with an extra merry twinkle. At the close of the convention he surprised the brethren by having the C. C. announce from the chair that a collation was in waiting for the members at the Royal Cafe. To say that ample justice was done, would be drawing it mild. After a merry two hours spent in eating, telling stories, singing, and recitations, the party dispersed, wishing the brother all the good things known to man.

Would it not be just the thing for brothers, who may in the future have the care in preparing lunches to patronize brother Knights and advertise in the "True Knight." Give it a trial and see how it will work.

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OUR SYMPATHY.

We are sorry to record that our Brother, Stephen Jones, proprietor of the Dominion Hotel, Victoria, has met with a sad bereavement recently in the death of his sister. The "True Knight" tenders to our brother its sincere sympathy.

Bro. Nunamaker, the popular and efficient C. C. of Crusader Lodge, No. 19, has about recovered from his recent injuries. We are glad to welcome him again at our committee meetings, and to see him resume his station in the lodge. We regret to learn, however, that he has just received the sad news of the death of his father, which occurred in Michigan. Bro. Nunamaker has our sympathy.

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RECEPTION TO THOMAS G. SAMPLE, S. C.

Lorena Lodge, No. 198, tendered a reception to Supreme Chancellor Sample, in Carnegie Music Hall, Allegheny, Pa., on October 4th. The programme consisted of instrumental and vocal music and addresses. Hon. H. O. Kline, S. R. of Pittsburgh, P. A., spoke on "Fraternity"; Hon. Jno. M. Stratton, P. G. C., of Philadelphia, Pa., "Friendship"; and Thomas G. Sample, S. C., "The Order of Knights of Pythias." Hon. W. B. Richie, P. S. C., of Lima, O., and Hon. Jno. T. Sutphen, M. D., S. R., Middletown, O., also delivered addresses. The reception was a success from all points of view, and the addresses were interesting and instructive.



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