

from our Order on account of the benefits, men who would make the very best of members; then we find too many join for nothing else than what money benefits they can draw out of it. Such was not the intention of the noble brothers who colled our Order into being, such is not the example of our most noble prototypes, Damon and Pythias. We, their followers, should subdue all selfishness and follow in their footsteps, extending the hand of fellowship to the worthy everywhere. Such was the ritualistic command to all who joined our Order where I first became a Knight; such is the teaching of our Order today. Let us in this most estern Domain to-day endeavor to be the first to move in this matter and discuss it, so that when our Supreme Representatives again go back to the Supreme Lodge they go instructed to move to make the Sick Benefit a rank separate from the subordinate lodge and build up an order such as all coming after shall copy and emulate.

Yours in F. C. & B.,

JOHN N. EVANS.

Duncan, Nov. 24th, 1898.

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FROM KAMLOOPS.

Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir,—Brother, I suppose you will be looking for some news from Primrose Lodge this month. We have had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. J. J. Mundrof, of Far West, No. 1, Victoria, and we expect to have him with us for some time. We are always pleased to have any brother Knights call up and see us when in town.

We are sorry to hear of Bro. P. G. C. Evans being unwell; we hope he will soon be restored to his usual health. There is no need for any of the brothers being sick if they will only come to Kamloops and enjoy some of our health-giving climate.

We have the beautiful snow with us once more, but hardly enough for good sleighing.

Bro. Ladner and Doran informed me yesterday that they had thirty-five names for a new K. of P. Lodge in Revelstoke. They expect to reach the fifty mark soon.

With a word of warning to the Brithrer Scots na yet our foo on the 30th, I remain your fraternally,

J. L. BROWN,
Correspondent.

Kamloops, Nov. 23rd, 1898.

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FROM LANGLEY.

Editor of the "True Knight."

Dear Sir and Brother.—Having been kicking for years about non-attendance at Lodge, I eagerly read different letters in the "True Knight" on this subject, particularly Bro. Pferdner and Irvine's letters; and it is said that the power of the press is proverbial. So far, Bros. P. and I. very good; but what are you doing in your lodges to remedy the non-interest? Perhaps our country Lodge with it's scattered members ought to be excused a little, when I consider the poor attendance in the cities, where there is no valid excuse—only non-interest. I often think of the

story about a certain Scotch lady who was noted for her industry, and would not leave for others to do what she could do herself; in fact she wanted to assist in everything. To illustrate: After many years of usefulness she realised that her days in this world were about numbered. So one day she was giving instructions to some of her younger friends about what to do at her death and funeral. But after she had given a number of orders she exclaimed: "O what is the use of telling you, I know it won't be right when I won't be there myself."

Now, Mr. Editor, is it not a pity that more of our members have not the spirit that when Lodge meeting night comes it won't be right unless they are there. This spirit is necessary in all walks of life to be successful. Commencing with the boy going to school, to be proficient he must be there regular; and so it is in business. Now I think that a large number of our members never realise that it is part of their duty to be there oftener than they are; there is then no danger of being suspended for N. P. of D. There is a reason for some of the non-attendance. Some brothers thoughtlessly do not notice it. Still it is a well-known fact that a large number of men, not knowing the beauties of our Order, do directly and indirectly influence the occasional attendant to go some where else when he would be better to go to his Lodge, and it is a fact that when one makes a habit of going to a certain meeting it becomes a second nature.

It becomes a second nature for the gambler to go to the gambling table through habit, and after a while he gets behind with his dues and is ashamed to go to Lodge. Just like the irregular school boy he gets behind with his lessons and after a few years he gets ashamed to go to school, but years after he rues his non-attendance.

Now if all brothers realised their duties and obligations as true Knights, they would be there to cheer the "Old Guard"—who have to do the work—with their presence if nothing else, which would be some encouragement. They have not the excuse that "Richard" gave to the "Scottish minister": "I dinna believe in being whar yin

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