

to protest against the seeming extravagance of the officers of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias of the World. The following report was submitted, with instructions to have printed and sent to all the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction, requesting said lodges to give this matter a just and impartial investigation worthy of its importance, and enter a similar protest in the Grand Lodge of Kentucky at its next Session, September, 1880.

Fraternally,

S. B. RANKIN,

K. of R. & S.

[SEAL.]

To the Officers and Members of Damon Lodge, No. 3, K. of P.:

BRETHREN,—Your Committee appointed to examine the financial statements of the officers of the Supreme Lodge, as published in the annual reports of the fiscal year ending July 31st, 1879, would report having attended to the duty, and are very much surprised to find that it is left to this humble jurisdiction to make public, and call attention, to say the least, of the seeming extravagance of the Supreme Lodge and its officers.

First—We refer you to the printing account:

From Sept. 1st to Dec. 31st, 1878, inclusive, \$ 490 98

From Jan. 1st to July 1st, 1879..... 1,728 42—\$2,219 40

This you perceive is for ten months only, and this includes an item of \$149.30 in four bills of "sundry printing," all the other items of printing are specified, and we would respectfully call the attention of those acquainted with the printing business to the same.

Second—To those more familiar with stationery we refer one item, 4,000 envelopes, \$15.00.

Third—There is charged to Uniform Rank \$420.93, and \$25.75 to Endowment Rank, this while there are separate accounts for these Ranks.

The bill of printing as charged in the accounts of the E.R.

(see report).....	\$1,498 27
	2,219 40

A total of printing.....	\$3,717 67
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This does not include for postal cards \$1,391: there are several other items that might be included under this head, in fact, we underrate rather than overrate all items mentioned.

Fourth—We find one item of \$1,000 credited to D. B. Woodruff, on account of "expenses;" to S. S. Davis, sundry expenses, 1878, \$29.64; S. S. Davis, services for 1878, \$300; this from the exchequer of the Supreme Lodge, at the same time there was drawn from the Endowment Rank, S. S. Davis' appropriation of Supreme Lodge, \$900; D. B. Wood-