

which the Order is built. "A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." A true Knight is a friend of his brother Knight and will ever aid him in all worthy efforts, but will not uphold him in the violation of the law or the disregard of the rules which good society prescribes.

Charity is the perfection of friendship. It is that part of man that enables him to construe the words and actions of others in their least unfavorable light. Without it friendship is of little worth. Deal not harshly with the errors and mistakes of those about you, for our deficiencies but prove the weakness of all humanity.

Benevolence must naturally follow and be a part of the practice of the principles just stated. Our ceremonies, practical in application, impress upon the members of this Order, friendship, not only for another, but for all mankind—teaching the followers of its doctrines practical charity for fallen humanity. The benevolence of the Order and its members challenges the whole world and merits the gratitude of the widow and the orphan.

The principles of this Order are a part of man's nature, and he needs such an organization to educate and develop his understanding of those principles. Like all other endowments of man, perfection and enjoyments can only be attained by cultivation and discipline.

At this point a word as to the results attained or good accomplished may not be amiss. We recognise the fact that each Order claims to pre-eminence in some particular. Our chief aim is the practice of fraternity and the well-being of those who have part with us. We hold the trust of a brother as a sacred thing, and impress upon the minds of the young man struggling for a footing in the world the value of honor, honesty and truth. Our aim is to make men careful of their conduct, encourage them in upright living, and by mild yet firm reproof make it known that a disregard of right and morals forfeit all claim to our esteem or fraternal consideration. He who practices the principles taught will in his life prove that we are entitled to kindly encouragement in disseminating the principles of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

Declaration of Principles.—Be it ordained by the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, that in order that all may know the origin, principles and aims of the Order, the following shall constitute the declaration of principles:

Pythian Knighthood had its conception in the exemplification of the life test of true friendship existing between Damon and Pythias.

Friendship or mutual confidence being the strongest bond of union between man and man, and only existing where honor, has an abiding place, is adopted as a foundation principle.

As the ideal knight of olden time was the personification of all higher and nobler attributes of man's nature, the candidate for knighthood had to prove himself worthy of acceptance by those who value friendship, bravery, honor, justice and loyalty.

The Order Knights of Pythias—founded in Friendship, Charity and Benevolence, which it proclaims as its cardinal principles—strives to gather into one mighty fraternity worthy men who appreciate the true meaning of friendship;

who are cautious in word and act; who are true; who are brave in defending right; whose honor is untarnished; whose sense of justice will prevent, to the best of their ability, a personal act or word injurious to the worth whose loyalty to principles, to family, to friends to their country, and to the constituted authority under which they enjoy citizenship, is undoubted, and who are at all times prepared "do unto others as they would that others should do unto them."—"Pythian Lodge Secret."

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SUSPENDED FOR ADMITTING SALOON KEEPERS.

Acacia Lodge No. 476, of Chicago, it is claimed is a violator of the law of the Order upon the matter of taking saloon-keepers into its ranks. Within a remarkably short period about 100 applicants were received into the Order, a following this there were about the same number of applications from the same Lodge for the Endowment Rank. Suspicion was aroused, an investigation was held, and the Supreme Chancellor brought the matter to the attention of the Grand Chancellor of Illinois, with a request that the latter act promptly in the premises. The Grand Chancellor dilly-dallied for some time in a very lengthy correspondence. But he refused to discipline the Lodge, and the Supreme Chancellor was forced to take up the matter and prefer charges against the Lodge for violation of the law. The violations of the law were generally known, and it is claimed that those holding high official positions had personal knowledge of what had been done at Acacia. It is alleged that the Grand Chancellor, the Grand Keeper of Records and Secretary at least one Supreme Representative, and many other prominent Pythians of Illinois, were aware of the high-handed disobedience of the law.

Supreme Chancellor Sample finally assumed

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