

and they will have the united support of the Vancouver Lodges, but as none having offered to take the matter up, we are trying to do what we can to keep it going. You will doubtless be glad to learn that we prefer asking you to guarantee us a certain amount to meet expenses rather than use the Grand Lodge appropriation of \$200, which we consider not in the best interests of the Order at present, feeling as we do, that that body, under the present state of its financial standing, should not be asked to pay out such an amount.

It is absolutely necessary for us to know exactly where we stand before we venture out for another year. We, therefore, ask you to bring this matter before your Lodge at its next meeting, and send us a reply as soon as possible.

The actual expense of each monthly issue is \$75. Now, if all the lodges would contribute equally, \$3 from each would cover all expenses.

If you decide to guarantee us a monthly sum, will you kindly send us the names of your members, with their full address, and we shall mail a copy to each?

We have just received a letter from the Supreme Chancellor, congratulating us on the high standard of our journal. This ought to urge us to make at any rate some effort to keep it alive.

The matter rests now with the lodges, and we shall be glad to hear from you as soon as possible.

(Signed.)

R. BROOKE.
J. IRVINE.

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Excerpt from report of Jephtha Bright, G. C., in the "Fraternal Review," Nashville:
PYTHIAN PRESS.

I am a firm believer in the efficacy of the press, and cannot understand the stinted support that has ever been accorded the Pythian papers that from time to time have been started in this Domain. They certainly deserve more generous treatment, and should be encouraged in a material way. I trust that the members will give this matter more studious thought, and encourage our present publication not only with a contribution to its pages, but in the more substantial way of subscription.

IN MEMORIAM.

We grieve deeply to record the death of the beloved wife of Bro. Grady of Rathbone Lodge, No. 7. His loss is our loss, more than that even—her death will be felt by many outside of this Order, for a kinder, truer woman than the late Mrs. Grady it would be difficult to find. To her the poor and the needy and the distressed ones always turned; her life was spent nobly in the service of the Master she loved so well, and who in His Divine Wisdom has taken her to a better land and nobler work, for His work ends not here. Eighteen months an invalid, suffering untold pain without murmur or complaint, her death was for her release—her gain is our loss.

A SUDDEN CALL.

The funeral of the late Charles Davies, who met death in the lamentable street railway accident in Tacoma, on July 4th, was very largely attended on Sunday, July 8th, by the Knights of Pythias, of which Order the deceased was a member. The Rev. J. Robson, B. A., conducted the funeral, which took place from the family residence, 1141 Davie Street. Deceased was a member of Primrose Lodge, K. of P., Kamloops, and Brother Hume came down to represent it at the funeral. That lodge also sent a very handsome wreath. At the grave side the service was conducted by Bro. Brooke, K. of P., Vancouver. Mr. Davies was also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, of whom a large number were in attendance at the obsequies. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. Mr. M. A. Davies, father of the deceased and his brother came from the Interior to attend the funeral.—Vancouver "News-Advertiser."

NEW OFFICERS.

At Victoria.

The following officers have been elected by the Victoria Lodge, No. 17, K. of P., to serve during the ensuing term: C. C., Jos. Hilton; V. C., J. W. Hall; Prelate, F. Applewhite; M. of E., J. T. Pearce; M. of F., J. J. Randolph; K. of R. and S., E. N. Nathan; M. at A., A. E. Greenwood; I. G., W. P. Allen; O. G., W. S. Stamer; M. of W., E. C. Smith. E. E. Leason, D. D. C., installed the newly elected officers.

At Vernon.

A very pleasant evening was spent recently at Vernon by those who were fortunate enough to be the guests of the Knights of Pythias at a progressive whist party, given in the lodge room. Upwards of fifty were present, and all were made to feel thoroughly at home by the courtesy and attention of the Knights. The winners of the prizes were Miss Miller, J. A. McKelvie; Mrs. Cummiskey and W. A. Woods. At the conclusion of the games a tasty supper was served, and the pleasant party broke up about midnight, the general verdict being that a thoroughly enjoyable evening had been spent.

At Rossland.

A meeting of Rossland Lodge, No. 21, Knights of Pythias, was held recently with Chancellor Commander, Captain S. B. Shaw in the chair, and a large number of members present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Chancellor Commander, Paul D. Wilcox; Vice Chancellor, William H. Brokenshire; Prelate, Walter S. Fleming.

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Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, has lately lost, from active membership, one of its most energetic workers in the person of Bro. W. D. Moice, who left a week or so ago for his home in Toronto. He said on leaving he intended to reside in Toronto in future, but we have reason to believe he has changed his mind and will not be able to resist, for long, the attractions of our Pacific Coast. We all know our climate, our scenery and our pretty ones are irresistible.