

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS, 1893-4.

G.C.T.	Rev. A. E. Green	Richmond
G.V.T.	Mrs. A. Hill	Wellington
G. Coun.	Rev. J. Rollins	Ashcroft
G.S.J.T.	Rev. J. Calvert	Shopland
G.Sec.	Dr. L. Hall	Box 53, Victoria
G.Treas.	S. Gough	Nanaimo
G.Chap.	Rev. J. A. Wood	Vernon
G.Mar.	A. R. Carrington	Nicola Lake
P.G.C.T.	C. S. Keith	New Westminster

(The above constitute the Executive).

G.E.S.	W. L. Gilchrist	Esquimalt
G.G.	Miss Ida Fox	Sapperton
G. Sent.	P. J. Pierson	Chemainus
G.A.S.	Mrs. L. Hall	Victoria
G.D.M.	Miss Bamfield	Spring Ridge
G. Mess.	D. C. McLaren	Kamloops
D.R.W.G.T.&C.	C. S. Keith	New Westminster

Next annual meeting is at Nanaimo, in September, 1894.

DISTRICT LODGE NO. 3.

J. A. Shearer, D. C. T. Langley
T. Coyle White, D. Sec. New Westminster
Next meeting at Mission City, February, 1894.

DISTRICT LODGE NO. 2.

H. Harold, D. C. T. Nanaimo
D. Sec. ...
Next session in March, 1894.

OFFICIAL LETTERS.

Brothers and Sisters:—We have just closed our last Grand Lodge year and are starting out anew, I hope and trust, with renewed vigor and earnestness to abolish the great curse, strong drink. Although our work of last year did not accomplish all that we could have wished, still we should not be discouraged. We each and all should feel ourselves responsible for the progress of Good Templary in our fair province, and if we stick to our obligation we shall feel our responsibility. There are three things to which I should like to call your attention: First—The official organ, to be known this year as the B. C. GOOD TEMPLAR, will be published at New Westminster under the management of a committee. Now, Brothers and Sisters, it is impossible for the committee to make the paper a success if we do not do our share. We should not expect the committee to do all the writing, especially as they do not get paid. While we cannot all write letters, still there is one thing that we can all do, and that is send fifty cents for subscription. Second—In connection with the insurance I would suggest that every Lodge appoint a committee at once, so that when the constitution and application forms are sent out, members wishing to join can do so without waiting on the lodge meeting. Last, but not least, our Grand Lodge Lecturer, Mrs. Anna Harris, is one of the best workers we have ever had, and is doing good work. She should receive the support of every Good Templar. If we all do

our duty the results of this year's work will not go by unrecorded in the History of Good Templary in our province.

I would ask that those Lodges that have not already sent in the names of those recommended for Lodge Deputy, to do so at once, so that I can send them the quarterly blanks and pass-word. Yours for the work.

LEWIS HALL,

Grand Secretary.

[This letter arrived too late for last issue.—E.D.]

Brothers and Sisters:—It is pleasant to note progress during the month, which is yet young. Sister Harris has re-organized Mount Lehman Lodge and planted a new one at Sardis. Mrs. Harris has been with us two months doing splendid work; she now goes to the upper country and we commend her to all Good Templars as one of the most earnest and successful workers we ever met.

We are also favored with Bro. S. H. Davis, I. S. G., of New York. He comes highly recommended by Dr. Mann, R. W. G. T., who names Bro. Davis as one of the foremost temperance speakers in the world. Our Washington friends write us of the good work he has done for them. He organized twenty-four lodges and added over five hundred to their membership in a few weeks. Let all Good Templars give Bro. Davis and his devoted wife who accompanies him, a hearty welcome. I was asked the other day how we could bring the I. O. G. T. more prominently before the public, and how to set idle members to work? We may do that in several ways:

- 1st. We could increase the number of visits from one Lodge to another.
- 2nd. We can furnish better and more frequent notices of the good work done to the newspapers than in the past.
- 3rd. We can loan our official organ to neighbors, and secure subscribers for the same.
- 4th. We can distribute more of our temperance literature than heretofore, and make known our course of study and Insurance Plan.
- 5th. We can sing more temperance songs, and tell better temperance stories, and read more temperance essays, than we have been doing.
- 6th. We can find less fault with the wheel-horses of our Lodges, if we try.
- 7th. We can have open meetings more frequent, and give more light on our work, if we try.
- 8th. We may help our unemployed brothers to find work if we only try, and give them a better cheer when almost discouraged.

9th. We can pay up our dues more punctually and look after those who are negligent.

10th. We can each bring in one new member per month, if we will set our hearts to do it.

These things and many more we can do if we will, and so prove that as a fraternal society, we seek in earnest to elevate mankind and to make the world better. Our order is founded upon broad principles; our Lodges are instituted for no selfish gain, but for the good of all.

I congratulate the committee on the first number of the B. C. GOOD TEMPLAR. I think it an excellent paper. All our members will read it and do all they can to increase the circulation.

Yours in F. H. & C.

A. E. GREEN, G. C. T.

G. S. J. T.

SHOPLAND, OCT. 30th.

Brothers and Sisters:—When the result of the ballot for the election of G.S.J.T. for current year was declared, to say I was taken completely by surprise, but feebly expresses my astonishment. I wished at once to lay aside so much responsibility, desiring that a wiser mind should control and guard the interests of such an important institution as the Juvenile Temple Work of this Jurisdiction. But the Officers of the Grand Lodge would not for a moment entertain any such proposal; so that there was nothing left for me but to assume the responsibility and do my best.

Having thus the confidence of the Grand Lodge, I shall try during the year to prove myself worthy. I shall the more readily do this when I can rejoice in your confidence also. We must not only give a long pull and a strong pull, but a pull altogether, if we would achieve success. It will please me to hear from the Templars frequently, that I may rejoice when they rejoice, and weep when they weep.

The pass word for current quarter has been sent to all the Templars in the jurisdiction. I hope Supt's will send their quarterly reports as soon as possible, so that I may be in possession of information as to the present standing of the work throughout the Province. I shall ever be glad to receive and give suggestions that may help to revive weak and dying Temples. Let us during this year work assiduously, believingly, continuously, determinately, effectively, faithfully, graciously, harmoniously, intelligently, judiciously, lovingly, manfully, neatly, obediently, perseveringly, quietly, resolutely, system-