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

OFFICIAL.

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TO SUPERINTENDENTS OF JUVENILE TEMPLES:

The password for quarter commencing August 1st has been sent to all the temples that are working. I hope Superintendents will give earnest attention to the matter of private request, and let me have their returns by Sept. 1st next.

Many temples have not reported at all during the year, a matter I most seriously deplore. Let me have your returns, Brothers and Sisters, that I may frame an authentic report for the Grand Lodge next September.

The honor and good standing of Juvenile Templary in British Columbia rests with you.

I should be glad if subordinate lodges would give a little more attention to our Juvenile work, and exercise greater care in the selection of S. J. T's.

With good wishes for the Order,

I am yours in T. L. & P.,

J. CALVERT, G.S.J.T.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—

You will note in this issue of the B. C. GOOD TEMPLAR that the Grand Lodge will convene at Nanaimo—in Temperance Hall—on Tuesday, Sept. 18th, at 7:30 p. m. I have written the different railway and steamboat companies. The Union Steamship Company will transport delegates

from Vancouver to Nanaimo and return for \$1.50 each. Delegates will show their credentials to the purser. The C. P. R. will give the usual convention rates—one fare and a third for the round trip—provided not less than fifteen pay fare on the railway line. I would urge upon all delegates from lodges above Vancouver to travel by C. P. R. so they may obtain the above mentioned reduction. The E. & N. R. will also give the usual reduction rates. I will write each lodge concerning the above rates and would here ask Lodge Deputies to be prompt in sending in quarterly returns and names of representatives and alternates.

We regret that owing to the floods there has been a falling off in membership of our Lodges in the upper country, but there seems to be no waning in interest, nor is there any sign of wanting to give up the contest. Now is the time for good work. Let us "brace up," Brothers and Sisters. Push the Order to the front as never before, and go to Grand Lodge, remembering that a "true heart and determined purpose will accomplish much."

Yours fraternally,
LEWIS HALL, G.S.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—

It has been decided to hold the next session of our Grand Lodge on Tuesday, September 18th, at Nanaimo. The Committee on Credentials will meet in Good Templars' Hall at 7:30 p. m., and the Grand Lodge will open at 8 p. m. sharp, when the Grand Lodge degree will be conferred.

Friends at Nanaimo will ascertain suitable hotels and reduced rates for delegates, which will be announced before the session.

We hope fifteen representatives will come over the C. P. R., or the reduced rate on this line will not apply.

The Committee on Credentials are announced here so that no time may be lost at opening session: Dr. Lewis Hall, S. Gough, W. J. Galloway, C. S. Keith and R. G. Clark. Representatives will please hand in their credentials before 7:30 of day of session to this committee. Let us all work to make it a success.

On July 25th, I visited Vancouver Lodge and had a pleasant evening with the members.

I had an engagement to visit Northfield on August 7th, but on account of the dreadful murder here of one of our neighbors, I had to cancel the appointment.

On August 8th I visited Onward Lodge, Nanaimo, to make arrangements for the coming session, and had a good meeting.

On the following evening I visited Triumph Lodge, Esquimalt. Many sailors from the Royal Arthur were present and helped to make a most successful meeting.

Yours in F. H. & C.,
A. E. GREEN, G.C.T.

WHERE SHOULD THE GRAND LODGE MEET?

The following extract from an able article entitled "Our Silver Wedding," by Bro. Cotterill, in the Grand Lodge number of the *Pacific Templar* will be interesting:

"The laudable desire of each successful lodge to give a grand reception to the visiting delegates usually resulted in overburdening the lodges with expenses and trouble, and often with disastrous results. After seven consecutive sessions had left a trail of crippled lodges to tell the story, the Grand Lodge wisely accepted the site offered at Chautauqua and during the grand years of prosperity lodges and individuals devoted the \$1,600 which erected and furnished 'Our Temple.' Since then we have been at home each year but one. Every delegate comes prepared and expects to pay as he goes, and no lodge is left to grapple with the burden of a lot of committee debts. The business can be transacted with greater despatch and less interruption than in some busy city where there are sights to see and friends to meet."

We feel that we cannot add to the above more than to say that we believe the time has come when British Columbia should adopt a permanent site for its annual meetings.

SPECIAL.

We should like to know of any photo-engravings or cuts that any of our members can let us have and which are suitable for use in this journal. We can make use of a large number at any time. Owing to our financial environments, we cannot pay for them ourselves.

We wish to call the especial attention of our readers to the fact that the great Columbian and Beaver Medals are becoming scarce and those desiring one must order at once. They can be obtained direct by writing Box 667, Vancouver.

IMPORTANT.

We should like to have all persons who are indebted to the GOOD TEMPLAR in any way, to square up, especially subscribers.