

FROM RATHBONE.

Very little beyond the usual routine business of the Lodge occurred until our indefatigable M. of F. suggested that the three lodges hold joint meetings, and that they were to be of a social nature. No sooner said than steps were taken to start the ball rolling, and at a preliminary meeting of the committee, it was partly decided to hold a joint meeting in the early part of next month. We hope every brother will want to say something short and interesting. Songs and recitations will be fully appreciated.

Bro. Bob is getting to be quite an orator.

Granville's C. C. has made us several visits during the month.

Encouraging reports from our brothers across the line, also from the Victoria boys offering assistance to our Westminster brothers. Vancouver brothers were also to the front with offers of assistance, the money being raised. Bro. McAllister, of Granville Lodge, and Past Grand Chancellor Evans, of Crusader, were deputised to go over to our sister city, and make the necessary inquiries and offers.

Grand Vice-Chan., Bro. W. D. Mearns, in a speech requested any brother if they had any good suggestions or articles, to write them for the paper. No matter how crude, the right meaning would be adjusted.

Bro. J. E. Evans, of Crusader, and Bro. McAllister, of Granville, after returning from New Westminster, visited us, and in eloquent words spoke of our afflicted brothers in the Royal City, and also stated that the city lodges had voted \$150 for their benefit, but informed us that they were in no immediate need of assistance.

Good suggestions are like good seed thrown on fertile soil, generally bring forth good fruit. Bro. Maynard will no doubt remember this when he thinks of the "True Knight."

Bro. Hoffmaster, of Crusader Lodge, visited us last week, and in speaking of winter entertainments offered the use of his drawing room for rehearsals. A more enthusiastic Knight than he it would be hard to find.

Only one brother was reported sick during the month, that was Bro. Layfield, and his sickness was of short duration.

Our worthy Prelate, Bro. Maxwell, M. P., and Editor of the "True Knight," has been on a tour through the Kootenay. He brings very encouraging reports of that country, and was successful in obtaining subscriptions for the paper. He informs us that there is an opening for several good lodges throughout that district, mentioning Greenwood City, Grand Forks and Revelstoke, and a likelihood of them getting one at the latter place.

Your humble servant is of the opinion that the Grand Lodge would be wise in appointing such a personage as our M. P. to visit the upper country once or twice a year to institute lodges and lecture on what True Pythianism is.

ARTHUR T. CROOK,

Correspondent of Rathbone, No. 7.

The following named brethren have been appointed a committee to formulate the mode of procedure and report to the lodges at an early date. Any one having an intimate acquaintance with the brethren named cannot doubt that their effort will bring forth good results:

Granville Lodge, No. 3, Bro. L. E. Evans.

Granville Lodge, No. 3, Bro. E. Fraser.

Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, Bro. Robt. Brooke.

Rathbone Lodge, No. 7, Bro. Arthur Crook.

Crusader Lodge, No. 19, Bro. Harry Hufmeister.

Crusader Lodge, No. 19, Bro. J. H. Simpson.

The brethren in the city need wakening up to a certain extent, and the efforts of the committee will have that end in view.

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THE GATHERING OF THE CLANS.

This is how the Rossland "Leader" describes the exit of your editor from Rossland:

There was quite a gathering of the clans at the C. P. R. station yesterday evening to see the Rev. G. R. Maxwell, M. P., off to Vancouver.

There were representatives of nearly all parts of "Bonnie Scotland." Mr. Maxwell, during his short stay at Rossland, has made many friends who were sorry to part with him. It is expected he will pay Rossland another visit at no distant date. As the train steamed out of the station amid the good-byes of those on the platform, the distinct parting salute was "Will ye no' come back again?"—Rossland "Leader."

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Upon our table lie several copies of the Florida Fraternal Record. This paper is devoted to the interests of the Masonic, Oddfellows, and Pythians organizations. I. W. White is Editor and proprietor, and is published in Jacksonville, Florida. The paper is beautifully set-up, the pictures of living workers are works of art, and the articles are short, pithy and clean cut. We can assure our brother that we have read them all, and have enjoyed their delicious contents. We shall be most happy to exchange.

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A GOOD MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

A movement is on foot among the local lodges for a series of entertainments and joint sessions during the fall and winter months. There is much to be commended in this movement.