the beautiful Pythian temple, and the utter destruction of all the Grand and Subordinate Lodge records and effects, he measured fully up to the emergencies of the hour, gathered together the scattered and shattered forces, planted the banner of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence, and soon had hundreds of the faithful again beneath its folds. He quickly reorganised them and revived drooping courage, spoke words of cheerful comfort, and, though a ruined man himself, he never faltered, but night and day labored in the interests of the Order, and for the care and relief of those of the brethren in distress. For this special labor of love, the Chicago brethren owe him more than they can repay. They owe him every honor and recognition they can bestow.

Bro. Berry is a man born to command, of dignified presence, fine voice and ex cellent address: a man who is strong in his likes and dislikes, but who never fears a foe. He is a man of culture and gentlemanly demeanor, a pleasant conversationalist and can always entertain his audience. Growing old in years our dear brother is always young amongst our Pythian hearts, always to be found at the counsels of the Supreme Lodge, willing with the youngest member of that body to do all in his power for the good of Pythianism. We wish him many years yet of happy, useful life.

REAL APPRECIATION.

The following has been received by Bro. J. E. Evans, and speaks volumes:

Dear Bro. Evans:—I have been expecting to go over to Vancouver for a long time, and intended then to call and settle for my paper, the "True Knight," which has been coming regularly, but I don't see much chance of paying you a visit, so I will send a postoffice order for a couple of years' subscription. I don't know how I stand, but you can let me know when you get this. I have been away from home so much during the last year that I have been unable to visit my lodge more than a few times and so have lost track to a certain extent of Pythian doings, but I have read the "True Knight" regularly, and of course that helps to keep me posted. With best wishes for our Order and all concerned,

Yours in F. C. & B.

JAMES B KENNEDY.

Sapperton, B. C., January 23rd, 1900.

TO OBTAIN SUPPLIES.

The following mandate is issued to Grand and Subordinate lodges throughout the Domain: Dear Sirs and Brothers:

By direction of Supreme Chancellor Hon Thomas G. Sample, I hereby call your specia attention to Section 31, Supreme Statutes, as amended at the session of 1898:

"All official jewels and the following printed supplies may be obtained only from the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Lodge reserving the exclusive right to provide the same, to-wit: Charters, rituals, installation books, ceremonials, question books, official receipts, transfer cards, withdrawal cards, Grand Lodge cards, travelling shields, second rank blanks, orders for S. A. P. W., Supreme Constitution and Statutes, credentials of honor, decisions of Supreme Tribunal and official record."

This amended Supreme Statute has been in full force and operation since October 31st, 1898, and to comply with its provisions Subordinate lodges must procure any of the articles enumerated above through the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of each grand domain, who must secure said supplies from the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

While I am not aware that any of the Subordinate lodges in this Grand Domain have in any way violated any of the provisions of the section of the Supreme Statutes referred to, I deem it my duty to point out to the officers and member of the Subordinate lodges in this Grand Domain that the Section of the Supreme Statutes above quoted is mandatory and must be obeyed.

Fraternally Yours,

W. D. MEARNS,

Grand Chancellor.

E. PFERDNER, G. K. R. S., Victoria, B. C., January 18th.

The best thing, above all other good things, that a Pythian can do is to commence the new year by becoming a member of the Endowment Rank. Take according to your means, either \$500, \$1,000, \$2,000 or \$3,000 insurance, and thus provide against the danger of those dependent on you being left unprovided.

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