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TO BE OR NOT TO BE.

"The True Knight."—Report of Its Committee.—
Shall Our Good Work Go for Naught?

Two years ago the "True Knight" Committee was appointed, consisting of three members from each of the City lodges, to publish and carry on this journal in the interests of the Order. The task was no easy one and was made still more difficult by the majority of the Committee leaving the burden to be borne by the few. That the journal has been a success goes without saying, and too much credit cannot be given the members of the Committee who carried the work on so well in spite of the obstacles in their pathway. Among them we must mention the names of Bros. H. J. Anstie, R. Brooke, J. E. Evans and the Publisher, Bro. Spink. To them the title of the journal most appropriately applies, for their energy, faith-

fulness and loyalty to the Order, they are indeed "True Knights." We sincerely regret that they have resigned from the Committee. The journal will now pass into new hands, if the lodges decide to continue publishing it. This will only be done by a guarantee from the lodges for a sufficient sum to cover expenses. Financially it has never been a success, neither has it been the wish of the Committee to have it so, but to a journal of such vast interests to Pythianism it should have at least all expenses guaranteed. Time and again the Secretary has had to pay outstanding accounts out of his own pocket. There are few who can afford to do business in this way. In bidding farewell to the old Committee we desire to thank them for their zeal and energy in keeping this Journal before the Order, and in bringing it to such a high standard in the interests of the Order. It remains now for the Order at large, in this Grand Domain, to say whether they wish it to continue, or add a stain to our Pythian Banner by letting it die.

THE INCOMING COMMITTEE.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE.—That is the question—With you it rests and before going further let me say the issue at stake is not this new Committee's life, but one of far more importance in every way, viz., that of "The True Knight."

Allow me on behalf of that journal to say a few straight words—allow me on behalf of that journal, on behalf of our whole Order, to appeal to the highest, manliest and most knightly feeling of every brother Knight.

"The True Knight asks your support, not to make money, but to advance the interests, the welfare and the progress of Pythianism in British Columbia.

We do not propose to do the work all ourselves, for we know and feel we are but human and must therefore, at times, err, but brothers, we wish you to help us in this respect, we would have you give us the benefit of your experience, of your advice; we ask you to be a united brotherhood and not only help sow, but to sow the Pythian seed far and wide through the length and breadth of our fair Province. I am well aware of the feelings that exist and which, in all orders, have existed and will exist for hundreds of years to come. Feelings not be commended, it may be, and which will only disappear, one by one, as we become better and truer Knights.

My brothers our Order was made to build up our manhood, to help us rise, "put on the armor of Truth," and in the pride of better manhood put away the petty jealousies that mar and dwarf our manhood and tell the story of our weakness.

We must begin to realize our duties as