

lor J. H. Drummond, and while not so keen a critic of Pythian law as his predecessor, he presents a most readable and interesting report, commenting at length whenever he feels like it—a temptation difficult for any reviewer to resist. His report covers seventy-two large pages.

Next convention at Waterville, the third Wednesday in May, 1895.

FRED M. ROBINSON, G. C., Brunswick.

WESLEY G. SMITH, G. K. R. S., Old Orchard.

JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, chairman Fraternal Correspondence Committee, Portland.

MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.—Third annual convention, at Winnipeg, June 28, 29, 1894. (Journal received January 24, 1895.)

The "North-west Territories" were placed under the care of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and Grand Chancellor Dobson says: "We gain by this act two flourishing lodges: one situated at Calgary and known as Alberta Lodge, No. 1, the other situated at Lethbridge, Alberta, and known as Lethbridge Lodge, No. 2.

One of the great obstacles to increase, our brother says, is the fact that our order is not very well known. That is the greatest need of Pythianism in Canada to-day. We are not sufficiently advertised. Our principles are not properly understood by outsiders, and, we fear, but very indifferently exemplified by our members. Once upon a time we were rather opposed to the idea of a "grand lecturer," or "grand organizer," but we have had cause to change that opinion, and believe that if the proper brother can be found to devote his whole time to the work of extending the order he will more than earn his salary. Our order never gained the hold it has in the United States in any other way. We on this side of the line should wake up to this fact.

The membership as given by Brother Lightcap is 333, an increase of 65. They suspended 13. There are 7 lodges. Expended for relief, \$871.40. Assets of lodges, \$4,469.94. Balance in Grand Lodge treasury, \$13.54.

Brother Blackwell was present and addressed the Grand Lodge "briefly (!) but to the point," and withdrew.

The work in this domain needs to be carefully watched as there seems to be danger of conflict over small matters. The territory is scattered so that general oversight is difficult indeed, and much has to be left to deputies. We hope our brethren will go earnestly to work and not allow small and personal "squabbles" to disturb the harmony of the lodge.

One promising feature is the appearance of a very good Fraternal Correspondence report.

Next convention at Brandon, the third Tuesday in July, 1895.

W. C. HEANEY, G. C., Calgary.

A. E. JOHNSON, G. K. R. S., Winnipeg.

E. E. LIGHTCAP, chairman Fraternal Correspondence Committee, Winnipeg.

MARYLAND.—Twenty-seventh annual convention, Baltimore, February 12-14, 1895. (Journal received March 12.)