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A Good Time Coming.

Oh, the good time is a-comin', when, every meeting night,
The lodge room will be crowded, it will be a glorious sight,
An' candidates will be so thick you won't know what to do,
An' the goat will wear his whiskers off a pnttin' of 'em through.

Oh, the good time is a-comin' we wish it now was here.
When fifty thousand members will be added in a year,
When assessments will be paid without the customary kick,
An' a man who says it costs too much will be smitten with a brick.

Oh, the good time is a-comin', don't you hear us screech,
When the men that talk fraternally will practice what they preach.
An' we all will shout with joy and be contented then,
For salaried officers with lanterns will go looking for the men.

It will be with us some day,
For we kinder hear it hummin';
But it's mighty far away,
An' mighty long a-comin'.

—K. of H. Reporter.

Knights of Pythias.



—The Massachusetts Brigade will hold a state encampment this year and not go to Cleveland or Minneapolis.—Knights Sword and Helmet.

—The Minnesota Knights will hold a re-union and encampment the first week in September, to which all regiments of the Order are invited.

—Don't let the lodge be as a mere machine to collect and distribute sick benefits. Pythianism stands for Fraternity more than for anything else.

—Frontier lodge, No. 4, K, of P., St Stephen, has elected the following officers for the term ending Dec. 31.

C. A. Laubman, C. C.
Hill M. Grimmer, V. C.
A. M. McKenzie, P.
John McLain, M. of W.
A. J. Fraser, M. at A,
Jas. Beatteay, I. G.

Frontier lodge will observe decoration day on Sunday, June 25th.

It isn't merely paying dues and some time attending lodge that makes a man valuable to an order. He should extend its principles and learn to practice them himself. In

this way he can make his lodge more useful in its chosen field of labor and in this way the order will be beneficial to himself.—Spring of Myrtle.

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Masonic.

—Masonic Lodge in Great Britain are characterized by more of sociability than prevails in this country.

—Mr Michael Nisbet, Grand Secretary of Pennsylvania F. and A. M. is dead. He was prominent in a number of fraternal organizations.

—Three Masonic Grand Lodges, Montana, Utah and Texas, have a signet ring for the Grand Master, and its transmission and explanation is a part of the instalation ceremony.

—Woodstock lodge, No. 11 had a full attendance at their meeting on the 4th inst. when two candidates were raised. The session was very interesting. Ice cream and refreshments were served.

—The Nova Scotia Masonic grand lodge closed its session on the 11th. The order was shown to be in a good condition. J. W. Ruthland of Halifax was elected grand master and R. Barry Bent of Amherst is deputy grand master.

—The Annual conclave of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, which was to meet at London, Ont., during the month of August has been postponed until some time in September, at which the provincial exhibition will be in progress there.

—The thirty-third degree is an honorary degree and difficult of attainment except by eminent service of great influence. From this degree are selected the members of the Supreme Council, which is the governing body of the Scottish Rite.

—The fiftieth anniversary of Carleton Union Lodge will be celebrated on June 24th by holding a meeting of the lodge in the afternoon at which some degree work will be done. The lodge accompanied by visiting brethren will attend service in St. George's church and in the evening a sodality will be held in the lodge room in which friends of the members will be invited.

—Every member of the Order should subscribe for the FRATERNAL ECHO. Don't you think so?

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