

Administration of Albert Mullen, C. C.

From July 1, 1891 to Dec. 31, 1891.

W. L. Moore—P. C.
 Albert Mullen—C. C.
 C. O. Tribbett—V. C.
 A. E. Marshall—Prelate
 W. H. Snyder—M. of F.
 T. M. Campbell—M. of R.
 A. B. Peterson—K. of H. and S.
 S. F. Milner—M. of A.
 M. T. Marshall—L. G.
 R. C. Dunnington—O. G.

AS IN the previous term there was little outside of the usual course. The Order was strengthened by Brother Mullen's administration and nothing was neglected on his part that would be for the good of the Order. Brother Mullen is very enthusiastic in the Order. The following members received the Ranks this term: A. H. Pickett, S. L. Burk, T. H. L. Martin, John B. Cooper, J. J. Hulet, F. B. Clouser.

The semi-annual report shows:

Membership.

Members per last report	78
Members admitted during term	6
Total	84

Finances.

Receipts for term, all sources	\$245 67
Expenses	138 74
	126 94
Building and Loan	730 00
W. and O. fund	109 97
	\$966 90



ALBERT MULLEN, C. C.

Admitted July 12, 1890; served two terms as Prelate, as V. C., and was C. C. July 1, 1891, Representative to G. L., June, 1892.

It is with pleasure we note that Brother Mullen's term shows a net gain of six members to our

roster, and a good healthy financial gain, and the best of feeling prevailing among the members. We feel gratified that we are approaching the century mark in membership, and the one thousand mark financially, and as our brother steps down from the station of C. C. we can all take him by the hand and say: "Well done, good and faithful servant."



Administration of C. O. Tribbett, C. C.

From Jan. 1, 1892 to June 30, 1892.

Albert Mullen—P. C.
 C. O. Tribbett—C. C.
 W. S. Booher—V. C.
 S. P. Milner—Prelate
 W. H. Snyder—M. of F.
 Andrew Booher—M. of E.
 A. B. Peterson—K. of B. S.
 Marcellus Booher—M. at A.
 R. E. Booher—L. G.
 S. L. Burk—O. G.
 M. T. Marshall—Representative to G. L.

FEBRUARY 19, 1892, Brother F. P. Trotter delivered an address to the members of Darlington Lodge at the South Christian Church. At the conclusion of the address, Brother Albert Mullen stepped to the front and in a neat little speech presented Brother Trotter with an elegant coin silver Knights Jewel, the gift of this Lodge, as an evidence of our appreciation of his services. The Jewel was engraved with this inscription: "F. P. Trotter, Thorntown Lodge, No. 124." Brother Trotter was somewhat taken by surprise, but managed to respond in his usual genial manner. He is a minister and was stationed here for almost eight years, and our Lodge became

much attached to him. After the close of the exercises the members returned to the Hall and opened the Lodge, and conferred the Third Rank on V. E. Craig and S. E. Koomtz. At the conclusion there was a banquet served. Visitors were present from Lebanon No. 45, Thorntown No. 124,



C. G. THIBBETT, C. G.

Admitted Sept. 25, 1892. Served as I. O. O. F. W. G. and was elected C. G. in December, 1892. On account of removal to a remote city has not been Representative to Grand Lodge.
Address: Lebanon, Ind.

Shannondale No. 279, and Mace No. 55. Speeches were made by Brothers Trotter, J. W. Witt, Orlando Bendle, Rev. Powell and others, and after a most pleasant social time, the Lodge closed. All felt that it was good to be a K. of P.

One week from that night the wives of the members planned and fully carried out a big surprise at the residence of John H. Cox.

They arranged a grand supper and then went to the Hall, and as soon as Lodge was out, rushed in, took their husbands and all other members over to Brother Cox's, and seated them to a fine banquet. Rev. Frank Trotter was again present and also Rev. Jack Akers. The surprise was complete and the banquet was

elegant. V. E. Craig took occasion to remark to some near by brothers that he had joined the Knights when the sign was in the stomach, as we had had a banquet the night he received the third Rank. It was a gentle rebuke and reminded the brothers that it was not the thing to slip off to the Lodge room and enjoy a hand out; but so much better to mingle together. All honor to the ladies.

May 30, 1892, this Lodge entertained Ivanhoe Division Uniform Rank at dinner, they being here to take part in Memorial day exercises. In the forenoon they gave an exhibition drill on Main street, and in the afternoon took part in the Decoration Day ceremonies.

During this term the following members were admitted: V. E. Craig and Ed. Koomtz.

The semi-annual report shows:

Membership.	
Members last report	84
Members admitted this term	4
	88
Members withdrawn	3
	85
Finances.	
Receipts, all sources	\$202 75
Expenses	187 25
	150 50
Building and Loan stock and Int.	812 00
W. and D. fund	129 21
	\$1032 75

On the whole, Brother Thibbett's term was very successful, and he retired with good will of the members.

Administration of A. E. Marshall, C. C.

From July 1, 1892 to Dec. 31, 1893.

C. O. Tribbett—P. C.
 A. E. Marshall—C. C.
 S. P. Miller—V. C.
 W. R. Mount—Prelate
 W. H. Snyder—M. of F.
 Andrew Booher—M. of E.
 M. T. Marshall—K. of R. S.
 F. B. Closser—M. at A.
 Marcellus Booher—L. G.
 S. A. Hampton—O. G.

AUGUST 12th, the petition of Isaac L. Odell was received. As Mr. Odell lived in the jurisdiction of Shamondale Lodge, No. 279, the K. of R. and S. was instructed to ask permission of that Lodge to initiate him. The request was refused. This Lodge received Mr. Odell and sent Shamondale Lodge the fee—\$10.00. These requests are, as a rule, always granted through courtesy as it is generally presumed that a man has a preference as to his lodge.

On the morning of October 4th, a message was received from Frankfort, announcing the death of Brother William Simmons, a member of this Lodge. A. E. Marshall, C. C., called a special meeting that night to arrange for the fun-

eral. S. L. Burk, H. H. Poust, J. C. Francis, J. H. Cox, N. A. Booher and W. S. Booher were appointed pall-bearers. The members were ordered to report at Lodge room at 8:30 A. M., October 5.



ALVIN E. MARSHALL, C. C.

Admitted Dec. 14, 1888. Served as L. G., M. at A., Prelate, V. C., and in June was elected C. C. Was the youngest C. C. up to this time. Died August 27th, 1894.

At 9:25 the body arrived from Frankfort, under escort of four members of the Red Men's Lodge, of which Order he was also a member. About forty members of Darlington Lodge met the train and took charge of remains and proceeded to the

East Christian Church, where the funeral was preached by Brother W. H. Ashley; and then to the St. James Lutheran Cemetery, two miles east of town, where he was buried in the honors of Pythian Knighthood, Brother Albert Mullen acting as Prelate, conducting the ceremonies. The records do not show that any committee on resolutions was appointed. Brother Simmons was cared for during his illness of four weeks by members of Shield Lodge No. 71, K. of P. and Red Men's Lodge at Frankfort. Brother Simmon's picture was enlarged and now hangs in the Hall.

The term of Brother Marshall was very successful, eight persons having received the Ranks during the term, as follows: Richard Allen, Chas. Staley, Alonzo Miller, Isaac Odell, S. M. Miller, Frank Buchanan, Grant Hamilton and Calman Baum. At the close of the term Brother Marshall retired from the chair with the good will of all. He was the youngest man so far who had occupied the chair of C. C.

The semi-annual report December 31, 1892, shows:

Membership.

Members last report	86
Members admitted during term	8
Total	94
Deceased	1
Suspended for N. P. D.	1
Total membership	91

Finance.

Receipts, all sources	\$397 44
Total expense	287 04
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	110 40
Building and Loan stock and Int.	600 70
W. and O. fund	126 24
Total cash	\$1340 34



Administration of S. P. Milner, C. C.

From Jan. 1, 1893 to June 26, 1893.

A. E. Marshall—P. C.
S. P. Milner—C. C.
W. B. Mount—V. C.
T. M. Campbell—Prelate
Andrew Basher—M. of E.
S. M. Miller—M. of F.
A. B. Peterson—K. of R. S.
Albert Mullen—M. of A.
S. L. Burk—I. G.
Grant Hamilton—O. G.
M. T. Marshall—Representative to G. L.

DURING this term P. S. C., John P. Linton, died, and acting under orders of the Grand Chancellor, an emblem of mourning was placed on the altar for sixty days. It was at this time that the new rituals were first used; the Supreme Lodge of 1892 having adopted the same at the Kansas City, Mo. session. It was thought best to organize a team and use the amplified work. On the evening of Feb. 17, 1893, the Amplified Third Rank was conferred on Esquires C. W. Campbell and Isaac T. Cox by the following Caste:

W. H. Snyder.....	Monitor
L. C. Thompson.....	Pythagoras
A. B. Peterson.....	King

J. C. Francis.....	1st Senator
W. L. Moore.....	2 "
A. M. Stewart.....	3 "
V. E. Craig.....	4 "
T. E. Basher.....	5 "
A. H. Pickett.....	6 "
N. A. Basher.....	7 "
F. W. Campbell.....	8 "
S. M. Miller.....	9 "
Andrew Basher.....	Harold

The Senate was properly costumed and since that time it has been changed to a better outfit, and the Senate changed until it does fine work. Chancellor Commander Milner, set himself to work and committed his work and made good impression. It was during this term that the most notable class received the Ranks at one time.

On Friday eve, April 7, W. C. Kimler, G. W. Basher, W. D. Peckles, I. H. Butler and Albert Cox received the Rank of Page, and April 14, the Rank of Esquire, and April 21, the Rank of Knight. The work in the Rank of Knight was done in Amplified Form, and it was after mid-night when they were created Pythian Knights. At the conclusion of the ceremonies there was an elegant "spread" of good things to eat and notwithstanding the lateness of the hour, all enjoyed the "hand-out" hugely, especially the candidates who had exerted themselves somewhat during the evening.

About the first of May, Bro. G. J. Rhorer was taken with serious illness and lay sick for many

weeks, and it was thought that he could not recover. But thanks to a good constitution and excellent nursing he pulled through, yet he never fully recovered and one year later went to Asheville, North Carolina for his health. After he came back he sold out his business and stayed here about one year, then moved to Legansport where he now lives (Dec. 20, 1897).

In this term steps were taken toward the erection of a Castle Hall over a room being built by Cox & Lewis. Said Cox & Lewis' building being 40x100 ft. The Trustees contracted with them to put our hall on their structure at a cost of \$2,000, completed.

The following members received the Ranks during the term: W. H. Gray, Isaac T. Cox, C. W. Campbell, Edward Clark, H. N. Hiatt, I. H. Butler, W. D. Peebles, W. C. Kimler, Albert Cox, G. W. Booher, A. W. Mote, Cyrus Booher, A. A. Cornell and Elisha Cox. This was the greatest gain of any term, except the first one, since the institution of the Lodge.

The semi-annual report, June 30, 1893, shows:

Membership.

Members last report	31
Received during term	14
Total	45
Withdrawn	5
Total membership	40

Finance.

Receipts, all sources	\$417 89
Total expenses	280 83
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	137 06
Building and Loan Stock	500 00
W. and O. Fund	141 41
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Total cash resources	\$1078 32

During Milner's term he became quite well liked and did his work well, so that he won golden opinions from the members. He had a remarkable memory and could get his work committed on short notice, and I do not think he ever used a ritual. For some unexplained reason Milner never attended the Lodge but a few times after his term was ended.

Administration of W. B. Mount, C. C.

From July 1, 1883, to December 31, 1883.

S. P. Milner—P. C.
 W. B. Mount—C. C.
 R. C. Dunnington—V. C.
 V. E. Craig—Prelate
 S. M. Miller—M. of F.
 Andrew Booker—M. of E.
 A. B. Peterson—K. of B. S.
 H. S. Hlatt—M. at A.
 W. S. Booker—J. G.
 I. H. Butler—O. G.

MOUNT was a wide awake C. C. and as an orator had no equal, yet he had his weak spot, and that was his memory. He could not commit his work. On one occasion I remember, a candidate was introduced for the rank of Page; Brother Elmer Marshall was operating the lights, the regulator being in the property room. The M. at A. had made his introductory to the C. C. and there was a response (you know what it is), and there was a response (you know what it is). The C. C. could not remember it and gave a very peremptory command to "Turn on that gas." At last the gas was turned on and the two or three line response was "read" to the satisfaction of all present.

On another occasion, the dedication of our Hall, the C. C. had four times to speak of from

one to four lines each, and it was much desired that no books be used. Mullen, Craig and Marshall each wagered a pound of the finest candy that Brain would not have his work. For days



W. B. MOUNT, C. C.,

Admitted June 13, 1883. Served as Prelate, V. C. and C. C. Was C. C. at time of dedication of New Castle Hall. Nephew of Rev. Mount.

he recited them to his wife and horse, and even to the coffins in his store (he is an undertaker), and on the night of the dedication he done his lines with credit and for the next week he had candy to give away. Mount was an excellent

reader and could give expression to what he read, so what he lacked in committing, he made up in impressiveness.

In August, Shannondale Lodge conferred the Rank of Page on Harry N. Mount, son of Hon. James A. Mount, and asked this Lodge to confer the Ranks of Esquire and Knight upon him. A special dispensation was procured to confer the two Ranks in one evening. On the evening of Sept. 1, 1893, in the presence of members of Shannondale, Thorntown and other Lodges, Darlington Lodge conferred the second and third Ranks on Harry N. Mount. Bro. Mount made a fine speech at the conclusion of the ceremonies. At this time, Dec. 1897, Brother Mount is the minister in charge of the Presbyterian Church at Oxford, Ind.

Dedication of Castle Hall

For some months Cox & Lewis had had in process of erection a large building, 40x100, and the K. of P. had contracted for a Lodge room on the second story. As the building was now completed it was found that we had a fine Hall, main room 40x44, large Ante Room, Property Room 14x16, and Vestibule; but the floor was bare and we had no means in the exchequer to furnish it. A subscription paper was circulated and the following sums were donated:

NAME.	AMT.	NAME.	AMT.
Richard Allen.....	\$2 00	J. J. Hulet.....	\$2 00
Andrew Booher.....	2 00	Grant Hamilton.....	2 00

W. S. Booher.....	2 00	H. N. Hunt.....	1 00
T. E. Booher.....	2 00	Albert Cox.....	5 00
D. V. Booher.....	2 00	Geo. Kasher.....	3 00
N. A. Booher.....	2 00	H. G. Karsey.....	3 00
Aniel Booher.....	2 00	J. S. Killen.....	2 00
Marcellus Booher.....	2 00	W. C. Kliner.....	5 00
J. F. Buchanan.....	3 00	E. P. McCluskey.....	3 00
H. E. Booher.....	2 00	L. L. Mendeshall.....	2 00
I. H. Butler.....	2 00	Dan Mahoy.....	2 00
G. W. Booher.....	3 00	W. L. Moore.....	2 00
Cyrus Booher, Jr.....	2 00	S. P. Milner.....	2 00
F. W. Campbell.....	5 00	W. B. Mount.....	5 00
T. M. Campbell.....	3 00	A. H. Pickett.....	5 00
J. H. Cox.....	3 00	Isaac Odell.....	2 00
J. P. Cline.....	2 00	W. C. Rice.....	2 00
W. T. Cook.....	2 00	W. H. Snyder.....	3 00
J. B. Cooper.....	3 00	J. H. Stewart.....	2 00
V. E. Craig.....	5 00	L. C. Thompson.....	2 00
F. B. Clouser.....	3 00	F. H. Marshall.....	2 00
C. W. Campbell.....	3 00	Alonso Miller.....	2 00
Isaac T. Cox.....	2 00	A. E. Peterson.....	2 00
Ed. Clark.....	2 00	W. D. Peebles.....	2 00
A. A. Corwell.....	2 00	G. J. Eborer.....	10 00
Elisha Cox.....	4 00	Wm. Shoemaker.....	3 00
M. V. Faust.....	2 00	A. M. Stewart.....	2 00
H. H. Faust.....	3 00	W. C. Stewart.....	2 00
J. C. Francis.....	3 00	W. W. Wassner.....	2 50
R. T. M. Giffin.....	3 00	A. K. Marshall.....	3 00
F. E. Harris.....	2 00	S. M. Miller.....	2 00
J. C. Hunt.....	3 00	A. K. Peterson.....	5 00
Wm. Hunt.....	3 00	W. J. Owsley.....	2 00
W. F. Hulet.....	5 00	C. C. Rhoads.....	3 00
J. M. Hose.....	2 00	W. H. H. Smith.....	2 00
C. H. Hamilton.....	2 00	Chas. Staley.....	2 00
Ed. Hamilton.....	2 00	C. O. Tribbett.....	2 00
		R. C. Dunnington.....	\$5 00

The total donation amounted to \$215.50 and



CASTLE HALL.

Dedicated Dec. 28, 1893, by Hon. J. E. Watson.

an assessment was levied against all who did not donate. The whole amount thus realized was about \$250.00 which furnished the hall very nicely. So now the all-absorbing topic was the dedication. Hon. James E. Watson, Grand Chancellor, was secured to perform the dedicatory ceremonies. On the evening of Dec. 28, 1893, the dedication took place. At the meeting held in the I. O. O. F. Hall Friday night, December 22d, the members took leave of what had been their home for seven years and which was not devoid of pleasant memories. As soon as the Lodge was closed the members grabbed the furniture and in ten minutes it was in the new hall, the carpet having been put down previous to this. It had been decided long before to dedicate on anniversary night.

At the hour appointed to begin, the hall was well filled with members and invited guests. At 7:30 C. C., Mount called the assembly to order, and R. T. M. Giffin, acting G. M. at A., entered, accompanied by Hon. J. E. Watson, G. C. A. E. Marshall, acting G. P. C., V. E. Craig, acting G. P., and Albert Mullen acting G. V. C. The Hall was then dedicated to the business and purposes of Pythianism. Following the dedication a quartette composed of Miss Hattie Naylor, soprano, Mrs. Grace Barkett, contralto, Mr. C. B. Adair, tenor and Mr. George Manning, bass, with Mrs. Tamson Bosher at the organ, favored the audience with several selections of music. A. R.

Peterson, K. of R. and S., read a short history of the Order and called the roll of "Charter Members." The following responded to their names as called: E. P. McClaskey, P. W. Campbell, T. M. Campbell, J. H. Cox, M. V. Faust, H. H. Faust, A. R. Peterson, S. G. Kersey, Andrew Basher, R. T. M. Giffin and W. M. Reeves. Hon. J. E. Watson then delivered a fine address to an assemblage of three hundred people. Frank Bowers, Grand Keeper of Records and Seals, was present and made some remarks on the statistics of the Order. The affair was grand and reflected great credit on the members of Darlington Lodge.

The Hall was beautifully carpeted and furnished; having two gas stoves, and ten gas lights in the main Lodge-room, one in the Armory, one in the Ante-room and one in the Corridor.

Too much credit can not be given Brothers Craig, Mullen and Marshall for the impressive manner in which they delivered their respective charges. The much talked of event had come and passed and the beautiful Castle Hall stands a mark to the principles of Pythianism. Here for week after week, month after month and year after year the members will meet and do acts of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence; never wearying of doing good and to assist in disseminating the principles of our loved Order.

The term of W. B. Mount had now drawn to a close, and we can say that it has an important place in the history of the Lodge. During the

term the following members received the Rank: W. C. Stewart, A. G. Bailes, Chas. E. Butler, E. E. Isenberger, and A. A. Simmons. James Q. Shannon, W. C. Woody, and J. W. Flannigan were admitted by card, all from Thorntown Lodge No. 124.

The semi-annual report, Dec. 29, 1893 shows:

Membership

Members per last report	100
Members admitted during term	9
Total	109
Withdrawn	2
Total membership	107

Finances.

Receipts from all sources	\$379 91
Total expenses	271 24
	97 67
Total R. and L. Stock	8 901 75
Castle Hall	2200 00
Furniture and Bank Outfit	250 00
W. and O. Fund	156 30
	\$2665 92

Administration of R. C. Dunnington, C. C.

From Jan. 1, 1894 to June 30, 1894.

W. B. Mount—P. C.
 R. C. Dunnington—C. C.
 V. E. Craig—V. C.
 W. C. Kinler—Prelate
 Andrew Booher—M. of E.
 I. H. Butler—M. of F.
 A. R. Peterson—K. of B. and S.
 C. W. Campbell—M. at A.
 A. H. Pickett—L. G.
 R. Cox—O. G.
 W. L. Moore—Representative to G. L.

THE first person to be initiated in the new hall was Willis Champion, who received the Rank of Page, Jan. 5, 1894. The Lodge had borrowed the money to build the Hall, of the Building and Loan Association, and began to find it burdensome. The Trustees were instructed to negotiate a private loan and liquidate our interest in the Building and Loan, which was done Feb. 16, 1894, and a private loan of \$850.00 was negotiated with V. E. Craig.

February 20th of this year the first District meeting was held at Crawfordsville, W. W. Byers, D. D., presiding. R. C. Dunnington, V. E. Craig and A. R. Peterson were appointed special dele-

gates from this Lodge. The afternoon session was very interesting. Grand Instructor Heiskell was present and exemplified the secret work; and Grand Chancellor Watson gave an interesting



R. C. DUNNINGTON, C. C.

Admitted on card from Delgado, No. 24, of Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 26, 1894, served as O. G., V. C., and C. C.; was Representative to Grand Lodge in June, 1895. Graduate Agrary University, and Indiana Medical College; Practiced since 1879. Born May 2, 1837.

talk on the laws of the Order and the objects of the District meetings. At night there was work in the three Ranks. About twenty from this Lodge were in attendance.

April 29th the Lodge turned out in a body to hear Rev. E. T. Spohn at the M. E. Church. Brother Spohn had been stationed on this work for three years and had been rather prejudiced against secret Orders. After two year's absence he came back on a visit and great was the surprise of the K. of P. boys to see him work his way into the Lodge April 27th. In speaking of the affair afterward, Andrew Booher said he would not have been more surprised to see his wife work her way into the Lodge. He (Rev. Spohn) was now an enthusiastic Knight and admitted that his prejudice was caused by ignorance of the workings of Pythianism. Even so the writer has found it all the way, when once the veil of ignorance is removed, and the clear light of knowledge gains entrance, all prejudice vanishes.

About this time the ladies took steps to organize a Temple of "Pythian Sisters," and the Lodge, by unanimous consent, granted the use of our Castle Hall for their use. The organization was effected May 31st of this year. A more extensive account of this Temple will be given in a special appendix. It has been a strong ally to this Lodge and its history is closely woven with ours.

The term had now drawn to a close and passed into history. Dunnington had proven a good, faithful officer and conducted himself with dignity becoming his station. During the term the following members received the ranks:

Willis Champion, W. J. Cox, W. C. Flanningam, J. O. Finch, A. W. Haycock, W. H. Murphy, W. M. Hampton.

The semi-annual report, June 30, 1894, shows:

Membership

Members last report	107
Members received the Ranks	7
Reinstated	3
	117
Withdrawn	1
Total membership	116

Finances

Receipts all sources	\$ 382 52
Expenses	198 28
	184 24
Castle Hall	200 00
Furniture and outfit	500 00
W. and O. Fund	198 70
	802 94
Indebtedness	150 00
Total net resources	\$652 94

Administration of V. E. Craig, C. C.

From July 1, 1894 to Dec. 31, 1894.

R. C. Dunnington—P. C.
 V. E. Craig—C. C.
 W. C. Kinsler—Y. C.
 J. C. Francis—Prelate
 Andrew Booher—M. of E.
 L. H. Butler—M. of F.
 A. R. Peterson—K. of R. and S.
 Grant Hamilton—M. of A.
 H. S. Ham—L. G.
 A. G. Baltes—O. G.

BROTHER CRAIG was initiated into the Order in February, 1892, and received the Third Rank Feb. 19, 1892, on the XXIX anniversary of the Order and did not seem to feel much interest in the Order for quite a while. In October, 1892, Brother Craig and wife took quite an extended tour through the west, visiting relatives at Meacham, Oregon. From there they traveled leisurely to Pendleton and Portland, Oregon; San Francisco, Sacramento, Los Angeles, and other points in California; and thence on the Southern Pacific for home, being on the journey about four months and traveling over 8,000 miles. While at Meacham, Brother Craig was attacked with his old enemy, heart disease, and went

almost to death's door. The nearest physician was 25 miles away; he was sent for and Brother Craig was relieved, and was permitted to proceed on his journey. The trip seemed to stimulate him



V. E. CRAIG, C. C.

From Dec. 25, 1922. Admitted a member of this Lodge Feb. 1892, served as Prelate, V. C., and W. C. C. in July, 1894. Representative to Grand Lodge June, 1891.

and he was present the first meeting night after his return, and made an elegant, earnest speech, stating that while he had not visited a K. of P. Lodge during his journey, he had seen the benefit of the Order in traveling, and there pledged him-

self to attend and become identified with the interests of the Lodge; which promise he has faithfully kept, unless it might be a month or two during the campaign of 1895. Brother Craig was an enthusiastic Bryan man and like "Bud Means" in Hoosier School Master," put in his "best licks" for W. J. He filled the office of Prelate and Vice Chancellor with credit and now succeeded to the chair of C. C. fully qualified for the duties of this honored position.

On September 18th Brother P. W. Campbell and wife suffered a great bereavement in the loss of their son Clyde. He was taken with typhoid fever, and grew worse from the very beginning. Clyde was a bright lad, and seemed near to the writer as I had been for almost three years in the employ of Brother Campbell and saw him each day. Brother Campbell and wife have the sympathy of the entire Lodge in this their irreparable loss. The following beautiful tribute appeared in the Darlington Echo:

ANOTHER FLOWER GONE

On Tuesday evening the news was conveyed about town in awed tones and almost whispers that Clyde Campbell was dead. The announcement struck the community as a surprise, as it was known only a few days before that he was improving. On Thursday evening he took a slight turn for the worse, and at Tuesday noon he began to rapidly sink, and at about the hour of six that evening passed away.

Clyde Forrest Campbell was born Jan. 7, 1884, and

died Sept. 18, 1894, aged 10 years, 8 months and 11 days.

Funeral services were held at the South Christian church yesterday at two o'clock p. m., conducted by Rev. F. P. Trotter, assisted by the Reverends Clark and Werrall. Rev. Trotter took his text from Philipians 1: 21—"to die is gain," and preached a very impressive and touching sermon, especially dwelling on the Christian traits of the deceased.

The church was filled to overflowing before the arrival of the corpse. Never was there such a turnout of friends and acquaintances before for one so young, which shows the high regards the deceased and parents were held by the community. After viewing of the remains by the many friends, that little body which so recently contained such a noble spirit was tenderly conveyed to the L. O. O. F. cemetery and laid to its last rest amid many sorrowing friends whose eyes were dimmed by the touching bereavements of the parents and the little sister.

The procession to the cemetery was headed by a number of the deceased's playmates as a guard of honor. The pall bearers also consisted of his playmates—John Seidl, Bert Seidl, Bruce Haycock, Roy Peterson, Lee Miller, Harley Bherer, Thomas Lynch and Homer Boster.

The following beautiful and touching words were prepared for publication by that pleasing writer and venerable old man, Dr. Naylor, and read in the pulpit to the funeral congregation:

"Clyde Campbell is dead," were the sorrowful words that greeted our ears yesterday. If it was a "shining mark" the fell destroyer was seeking, truly he was eminently successful. Clyde was only a boy among boys, fond of play with his fellows, but for all that he was a shining mark, as much so in his sphere as statesman or priest in their several roles. Clyde was polite to all, to the aged respectful, and when spoken to a pleasant smile would break out on his lips and radiate all over his face, making it, indeed, pleasant to speak to the boy. Our way up town led



CLYDE
Deceased.

LOLA

MRS. RACHEL CAMPBELL
Author of *History of N. S.*

F. W. CAMPBELL
Chapier member; M. of P. for
two years.

past his home. We shall miss his pleasant, sunny greetings in the future, and only the aged and infirm can appreciate the deprivation. Generally the bounding life in boys prevents them from giving the old any consideration, but Clyde was never so busy but what he would return a most pleasant greeting when addressed, and in a manner that impressed us with the idea that he was pleased to do so.

"Clyde was an only son. How hard the blow to his parents. Only a little daughter left. A vacant chair by the fireside and at the table; sad reminders of the loved and gone. Surely the afflicted parents will receive the sincere condolence of all in their sad bereavement, and especially of those who knew the boy.

"We were by his bedside in his early sickness, and though his lips were parched with fever, and suffering with pain, he greeted us with his pleasant smile and cheery words. Ah, we did not anticipate the grievous finale. We truly thought Clyde would get well, but 'twas not so to be. Why should the old linger on the shores of time, and the bright, beautiful boy plunge in the icy streams and disappear 'neath the flood? We sincerely extend our sympathy to the parents of Clyde in this, their hour of trouble."
I. E. G. N.

Here are other fitting words, contributed by S.:

"When we heard of the death of Clyde we could but say: Surely God works in a mysterious way his wonders to perform. Then again we thought the poet correct when he said:

"There is no flock, however watched and tended,
But one dead lamb is there.
There is no fireside, however defended,
But has one vacant chair." S.

All the above tender words and those spoken in the church are true, and yet not all the good traits of that noble little man were enumerated. He was, indeed, a model character of manliness. Oh, would that all who are coming on the stage of manhood should follow in his

footsteps and pattern after his example. Here is a grand example for parents who have the care of shaping the destiny of children and youths in their hands. What a grand monument of credit to them would it be if such words of praise could be said over the remains of their offspring, whether they depart in youth, the entering of manhood, middle age or old age, as was over the subject of this sketch.

For some months arrangements had been in progress for a grand county re-union of the K. of P., and on Thursday, Sept. 26, 1890 the eleven Lodges met at Crawfordsville, and had a great parade and picnic at the fair grounds. It was decided to hold these reunions each year and that they go in turn to each Lodge. The parade was large and the city was decorated everywhere with the colors of the Order.

On account of business matters, A. E. Peterson resigned as K. of R. and S. in September, and M. V. Faust succeeded to the position.

On October 23, official notice was received of the death of Past Supreme Chancellor, Geo. B. Shaw, ordering the proper emblem of mourning for ninety days. The order was obeyed, and for ninety days the triangle was laid on the "Book of Law."

November 2, 1894, the petition of Hon. J. A. Mount was received and he received the Rank of Page, November 9th; the Rank of Esquire, November 10th; and was created a Pythian Knight, November 21d. The work was fine and never did a candidate stand before the altar who paid more

attention to the obligations or receive the work more intelligently than did our distinguished fellow citizen. In all the history of this Lodge no Prelate ever made the obligation more impressive. The following appeared in the INDIANA PYTHIAN, November, 1890, which will tell the story:

REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS.

Indiana's Next Governor a Knight.

Although many members of the Order have attained prominence in civil and public life in Indiana, none have occupied the office of Governor of the State. Hon. Thomas Hanna, a former member of Eagle Lodge, No. 16, of Green-castle, served as Lt.-Governor in 1881-85, and Hon. Mortimer Nye, of La Porte Lodge, No. 112, the present Lt.-Governor, has been such since 1892. Both these gentlemen are Past Chancellors of their respective Lodges.

The next Governor of this commonwealth will be a Knight, Hon. James A. Mount, of Darlington Lodge, No. 133, and while always entertaining the highest regard for all fraternal societies, has not become identified with any other. He was initiated into Darlington Lodge, Nov. 2, 1894, by V. E. Craig, C. C., W. C. Kinler, V. C., J. C. Francis, P., and the other officers of the Lodge for that term.

The candidate was greatly impressed with the ceremonies, and as a free American citizen naturally resented the edicts of monarchical power, expressing his opinion that in these United States every man was the peer of every other, although found to be frequently in a hopeless minority, and necessity required acquiescence to the will of the majority. While Brother Mount's career in Pythian Knighthood has been comparatively brief, and his business engagements would not admit his holding official station in his Lodge, he has become well known as an earnest ad-



HON. J. A. MOUNT, GOVERNOR OF INDIANA.

Admitted Nov. 4, 1894. On account of pressing duties has never held an office in the Lodge.

society of the Order. Darlington Lodge fully appreciates the compliment to one of its members in his selection to the office of chief executive of the great state of Indiana, and while likely to be deprived of his frequent presence at Lodge conventions for a term of four years, the wish for a successful administration is none the less sincere, as he will reflect credit to himself and honor to the Order.

Among the several candidates for political preferment, none possess the necessary qualifications for the positions to which they aspire, in a larger degree than does Hon. J. A. Mount, the successful candidate for Governor. There is not a county in the State in which he did not speak during the recent campaign, and there is not a hamlet in which his name is not known, and known to be respected. In the best sense of the term Mr. Mount is a self-made man, and the making has been well done. In youth his environment was as severe as it well could be. While yet a boy he entered the Seventy-second Indiana, which was attached to the famous Wilder brigade. That he was a faithful and gallant soldier, Gen. Wilder attests in a letter written to him. Coming out of the army at the close of the war, he became at first a farm laborer; then, marrying an estimable woman who shares his great honor, he became a farm renter, and soon the purchaser of a small farm. Now he owns one of the largest and best farms in Montgomery county. Putting brains into farming, he has attained a competency, and is to-day one of the best informed and most influential farmers in the country. The fact that he was invited to speak on the Chautauqua platform in New York with Governor Flower on Farmer's day shows that his high position in one of the great industries of the country is recognized. Mr. Mount is a real farmer, and not one who farms by telephone, or of the Horace Groody type.

Nor is Mr. Mount an one-idea man. He has found time to inform himself broadly upon all the leading questions of the day. On the stump and in joint debate he can

take care of himself. Mr. Mount is no demagogue, no trimmer. He has such faith in his party principles and policies that he believes that nothing can do its cause so much good as to preach them plainly. He is a man of the highest character. He bears the stamp of sincerity in his face, and his conversation convinces one that he is a thoroughly upright and conscientious man, who leads a good life. It will not count against him to say that he is a model husband and father, and that his home life is well nigh ideal.

As Governor, it is no reflection upon his predecessors or his competitors to say that he will be one of the strongest executive officers the people have, or could have selected.

A. R. P.

A committee appointed a short time before to revise the By-Laws was composed of J. H. Butler, A. R. Peterson, Geo. Hulse. On November 23d, they made their report and on November 30th the laws were adopted. Hitherto there had been some confusion in regard to the fees for Ranks.

This committee reported the following:

21 to 40 Rank of Page	\$1 00;	Esquire	\$3 00;	Knight	\$3 00
41 to 45 "	" 4 00;	"	" 4 00;	"	" 4 00
46 to 50 "	" 5 00;	"	" 5 00;	"	" 5 00
51 to 55 "	" 10 00;	"	" 5 00;	"	" 5 00

which was adopted.

Another radical article added to the By-laws was a clause bearing on the beneficiary branch of the Order. It is a fact much to be deplored that men will creep into this and other Orders that are there for one purpose solely—benefits—and oftentimes benefits are claimed where they are not entitled to them.

The following clause settled that class of blood suckers:

Sec. 5.—Every Knight, who has been in fellowship for six months and is a member in good standing, incapacitated by sickness or other disability from attending to his usual business or avocation, shall be entitled to receive for the first week, \$1.00; for succeeding weeks, not extending over a period of 12 weeks, \$1.50; after that, should the sickness be continuous, \$1.00 for 12 weeks. Should the same sickness continue, then \$1.50 for 12 weeks. In all cases where this law applies, the sickness must be continuous. But NO benefits shall be paid where sickness or disability is brought on by intoxication or immoral practices.

Sec. 6.—Upon the death of any Knight in good standing the Lodge shall pay to the widow or next of kin within the jurisdiction of the Lodge the sum of \$50. If there be no such widow or relation, the Lodge shall take charge of the burial. If the wife of a Knight in good standing dies he shall receive \$25.

After a most successful term Craig retired from the chair and took a seat on the side.

The following members received the Ranks during the term: Dr. W. H. Ware, W. C. Raper, Geo. A. Lynch, B. P. Egle, Hon. J. A. Mount, F. M. Ohaver and C. E. Faust.

The semi-annual report, Dec. 31, 1894, shows:

Membership.	
Members last report	116
Members admitted this term	7
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Members withdrawn	6
Total membership	117

FINANCES.

Receipts, all sources	\$ 400 09
Expenses	207 39
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	192 70
Castle Hall	2000 00
Furniture and Bank outfit	500 00
W. and O. Fund	182 94
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Total Assets	\$2985 64



Administration of W. C. Kimler, C. C.

From Jan. 1, 1895 to June 30, 1895.

V. E. Craig—P. C.
 W. C. Kimler—C. C.
 J. C. Francis—V. C.
 C. W. Campbell—Prelate
 H. N. Hiatt—M. of F.
 Andrew Booker—M. of E.
 M. V. Faust—K. of R. S.
 Grant Hamilton—M. at A.
 Albert Mullen—Representative to G. L.

PERHAPS no man ever came to the C. C.'s station better qualified for its duties than Kimler. Naturally he was a parliamentarian, dignified, yet courteous, and added to this he had the respect of the entire membership, and throughout his term he had the earnest support of all. He had long been a leading member of the M. E. Church and S. S. All these qualifications fitted him admirably for the duties of C. C.

On Feb. 12, 1895, Mrs. Susan N. Shannon, wife of James Q. Shannon, died after a long and painful illness. She was formerly Miss Susan Darrrough of Lebanon. Sister Shannon had lived among us for about three years and had made many friends among those who knew her. Throughout her illness which was for months, she

never complained, and bore her sufferings with christian grace. Too much praise can not be given to the faithful and devoted daughter, Pearl, who was left with the care of little baby sister



W. C. KIDLER, C. C.

Born July 14, 1847. Became a member of Burlington Lodge April 7th, 1884. Served as Preceptor, V. C., and C. C., in 1886. Died Nov. 12, 1887. Was sister P. C. at time of death.

Edna. Like mother, like daughter, she inherited the good qualities of the mother. The writer visited the house the night the mother died and my heart was pained for the poor suffering daughter

who had endured so much. I could only clasp her hand in silence. Any words seemed out of place and silence was more eloquent than words. Surely the Great Author of our being will reward her for her devotion. Sister Shannon was laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, Feb. 14, 1893.

In February of this year, W. D. Harlow, proprietor of the Peterson Hotel, was coming from the depot in company with a traveling man when a run-away team came rushing up the street and toward the side walk. The "Knight of the Grip" took to the street, while Brother Harlow took refuge between two buildings; one of the horses fell on the sidewalk and the other, with the sleigh attached to him, run over in this open space and ran over Harlow and hurt him quite seriously. He was disabled for two weeks. Harlow was a member of De Bayard Lodge, No. 89, at Crawfordsville. They directed this Lodge to care for him, which was done, and Brother Harlow was paid his benefits and De Bayard remitted the amount to us. So we see there are no boundary lines in the Benevolence of the Order. All that is required is to know that the assistance is not given to unworthy applicants.

MEMORIAL.

Requiescat in Pace.

May 6, 1895, Sister Anna B. Raper, wife of W. C. Raper, died at her home, corner of Adams

and Meridian streets. For more than a year she was a victim to the dread disease, consumption. She was formerly Miss Anna Stokes and had lived among us since the fall of 1885 and had made many friends. She was married to Watson C. Raper, Oct. 23, 1889. She was a christian lady and had no fear of death, being fully confident of the peace and rest, assured to those who trust in Him, the giver of every good and perfect gift. A little daughter Doris, three years old, was left motherless, yet has not been separated from her father and has the loving care of a Grandmother and Aunt. She is surrounded by every influence for good. The beloved wife and mother sleeps in the beautiful I. O. O. F. cemetery west of town.

May 2, 1895, the Lodge paid to V. E. Craig \$200.00 principal and \$63.85 interest on a \$750.00 note held by him against this Lodge, leaving amount due Craig \$550.

The term of W. C. Kimler now drew to a close and it must be said that the term was prosperous. The following candidates received the Rankes: Clint Conrad, T. M. Flanningam, Walter Chesterson, B. S. Martin, J. N. Clouser, Wm. Barkhart, Chas. W. Campbell, Lewis Kirk and John A. Jackson.

The quiet dignified demeanor and courteous treatment of Kimler won for him the undying regard of the members, and he retired from the chair with honor. Truly he was a man of more than ordinary force. We felt that much had been

accomplished—nine new members had been added to our roster, our debt had been reduced to \$550, and we felt that we were that much nearer our own home.

The semi-annual report, June 30, 1895, shows:

Membership.

Members last report	117
Members admitted this term by initiation	9
Admitted by card, Gen. Seybold	1
Total	127

Finances.

Receipts all sources	\$ 842 80
Total expense	555 94
	286 86
Value of Castle Hall	2000 00
Furniture and Bank 60118	550 00
Other sources	20 00
Total resources	\$2856 86

The Grand Lodge at this time directed the W. and O. fund to be merged in the general fund. The W. and O. fund of this Lodge was \$197.75 which became a part of the general fund.

Administration of J. C. Francis, C. C.

From July 1, 1890 to Dec. 31, 1895.

W. C. Kinker—M. of W. Deceased Nov. 15, 1895
 J. C. Francis—C. C.
 C. W. Campbell—V. C.
 W. C. Raper—Prelate
 H. N. Hiss—M. of F.
 N. A. Hooper—M. of E.
 M. V. Faust—K. of B. S.
 Grant Hamilton—M. at A.
 W. M. Hampton—L. G.
 W. C. Flannigan—O. G.

J. C. FRANCIS received the Rank of Page, June 6th, 1890, and began his official career as Outer Guard. By good attendance and a natural ability to do well what he did do, he was advanced to the office of Prelate in July, 1894.

His work in administering the obligation to Hon. J. A. Mount was pronounced to be the most impressive ever heard in the Lodge room.

As V. C. he was equally earnest and on July 5, 1895, he was installed as Chancellor Commander. This term will go down into history as the most disastrous, financially, that the Lodge ever went through. Bro. Geo. Seybold was stricken with typhoid fever July 1st and laid for many weeks. The Lodge paid \$72.86 nurse hire to

Brother W. B. Rodman for nursing Brother Seybold.

August 28, 1895, Sister Jennie Cornell, wife of Allen Cornell, died after many long months of



J. C. FRANCIS, C. C.

Admitted June 6, 1890. Served as O. G., Prelate, V. C., and in June 1907 was elected C. C. Brother Francis has since been ordained and is now a minister in the Christian (Newlight) Church.

intense suffering, during which time she was constantly attended by the faithful Pythian Sisters; yet it was not possible for her to recover and she passed away leaving a husband who was most

kind and devoted, and three small boys. The final moments were full of peace, and she died as she had lived, a Christian woman. Oh, how comforting it is to think, it is only a step from the one life to the greater one beyond, where peace and joy comes forever more.

She was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery west of town and at the grave Maywood Temple, No. 105, Pythian Sisters, performed the beautiful burial services, and on each recurring anniversary her grave is decorated by the Sisters in loving remembrance. The thought that we will be thus remembered takes away much of the sting of death.

On Sep. 9th, Brother V. E. Craig was taken sick. For the first two weeks his illness was not regarded as serious, but it was destined to prove one of the most complex cases that had ever come under the notice of the attending physicians. For week after week he grew worse in spite of all that could be done. The attending physician, Dr. J. A. Berryman, at last called in Dr. R. C. Dunnington. It seemed that it was fate that Brother Craig should be taken from us; all was done that could be done for any one. Brother W. B. Rodman, who had nursed Brother Seybold so well through a long illness, was employed as nurse. In spite of all this Brother Craig went down, down, and on the evening of October 11th it was given up that he would die that night.

At 4 p. m. that day I sent telegrams to Mrs.

Craig's father, F. M. Betts, at Meacham, Oregon; to John Craig, Noble, Iowa and to I. W. Craig, Rossville, Ind., that their brother could not survive the night. At nine p. m. same night the



N. A. BOOTHBY

Admitted Jan. 25, 1882. Was M. at A., and two years as M. of B. Barber.

answer to the Oregon message came back: "Message received distance too great, cannot come." Oh, what a shock to the father, mother, brother, and sister of Mrs. Craig to receive this message:

Darlington, Ind., Oct. 11, 1895

To F. M. Betts, Meacham, Oregon.

Vincent lies at point of death. No hope.
Come. A. R. PETERSON

The writer had sickness at home that evening and it was with difficulty that I could persuade Dr. Dunnington to leave Craig to go to my home, seven squares away. I shall never forget what he said to me on the way out. I asked him if he thought there was any hope. He said: "Craig will die to-night." What a chill it cast over me. Here was a man of noble qualities, a man who had been a friend in the strongest sense of the term to me, and to all the poorer class—a man who carried his heart on the outside. A solid pillar in the church, in the Lodge, in business and social life. On the night before mentioned, I could not rest until I had heard from there, and at nine o'clock I went over and stayed an hour. The bed was surrounded by loving friends. As I went out I was met on the sidewalk by several men whom Brother Craig had befriended in many a time of need, and they whispered: "Is he better?" "Will he live through the night?" I could only feel sorry for them and think: "My poor boys, you and I will lose our best friend to-night."

About 11 o'clock the final act took place. I have regretted a thousand times that I did not stay. He sank rapidly and in spite of all the physicians could do he seemed to go clear down

to death's door. The physicians pronounced him dead; his eyes were closed and the grief-stricken wife taken from the room. Ten minutes later he opened his eyes and was restored to life as by a miracle.

I append an article clipped from the CRAWFORDSVILLE STAR, which is true, and tells the story:

HE DIED, BUT LIVETH!

Vincent Craig's Eyes are Closed in Death by Watchers, Who Longingly Lingered at His Bedside, But Jumped in Alarm When He Rose Up Again.

Vincent Craig, associated with W. C. Kessler at Darlington in the grain business, is one of the best known men in this county. He is a man of the highest type, respected and honored by all.

For days and days he has been a very sick man with a low fever, intensified with rheumatism, that affected the heart. He had been in poor health for years, therefore few dared hope for his recovery. Mr. Craig died one night a week ago and his partner, Mr. Kessler, with tender hands, kindly closed his eyes. "He cannot be dead," he murmured. "Yes, but he is, poor fellow," said another watcher. The family physician endorsed the statement and loving friends who lingered for better words from the sick room heard the sad news and went away with leaden hearts. The man had no pulse, he became cold and rigid, all warmth left his body and the little color in his white face passed away.

Mrs. Craig refused to believe that he was dead and with true wifely devotion she hung over the body of the one

of all earth the dearest to her and refused to believe that his spirit had fled. She clasped his hands and spoke loving words to the ears that seemed deafened forever. The 11:30 clock on the mantle ticked loudly and watchers looking at his face took note of the time of his departure. They knew what a blow this was to the whole community in which Vincent Craig had always been a prominent figure. In the business and social affairs of that portion of the county Vincent Craig had always been an active principal. In the K. P. Lodge he was an earnest member and he had successively passed through all the chairs of honor in that Order. A Pythian brother, W. B. Redman, principal of the Burlington schools, who had sat through the still hours of the night as a nurse faithful to every duty, he it was who had agreed with W. C. Kimler that the end had been passed.

Away toward midnight and still nothing had been done to prepare the body for the last sad rites, when a muscular twitching was marked about the eyes and mouth. The fingers moved. There was a muscular movement at the throat. The bosom of the man heaved and a sigh escaped his lips. His eyes opened again, not on heavenly glories, but in full recognition of earthly scenes, and there was a look of recognition of the faces of those about him; a look of unutterable tenderness upon the wife.

Vincent Craig lived. What rejoicing, though saddened and hushed, and when the gray of the dawn heralded the coming of another day it was known that Vincent Craig who was mourned as dead was alive again.

And now it is known that in a few days he will be around at business again and his legions of friends feel their hearts beat with joy that this is true as has been written thus feebly.

This was the most remarkable case on record. Suffice it to say, Brother Craig did not die and after almost four months of illness, he was once

more permitted to take his place in the business world and the first night he attended the Lodge he was carried up in a big arm chair. All the members were rejoiced to welcome him back after a long absence. If ever it were possible for man to be permitted to look over the brink of eternity, this was the one. Often have I wished that I might know what he saw that memorable night.

"Tis food for thought—what is beyond? Oh why can we not part the veil and look beyond? 'Tis not for us to know—no doubt it is a merciful providence that the scales have not fallen from our eyes."

Sept. 29, 1895, Sister Bettie Cooper, wife of John R. Cooper, died at her home northeast of town. For years she had been an invalid, her disease being consumption. He it said for Brother Cooper that no expense had been spared, and no sacrifice was too great for him to make for her. On Sunday, September 29, she passed peacefully away, and was laid to rest in St. James Lutheran cemetery.

The last week in October, Brother Kimler was taken ill and lingered for three weeks. While he had the best of attention, it seemed that he was not to get well, and on Friday, November 15th, just three weeks from the day he became ill, he died. It scarcely seemed possible. It had been only three short weeks before to a day that he had been at the Lodge and conferred the Rank of Page on a candidate, and had been at least

three times a day to visit Brother Craig, his partner in business. It was another reminder that in the midst of life we are in death. Even as I looked upon the body, it seemed that he only slept. The news came with stunning force and the members spoke in subdued tones: "Brother Kimler is dead."

MEMORIAL.

The following appeared in the *Darlington Echo*, November 22, 1895:

Washington-Creighton Kimler was born, July 14, 1837, in Knox County, Ill. Died November 13, 1895. Age, 58 years, 4 months, and 1 day.

He leaves a wife, a young son, two young daughters, a mother, several other relatives and a host of friends. He was one of those tender, loving husbands and fathers who make home a paradise. He was one who made a lasting tie of friendship with all whom fortune threw him in association, and formed a blending tie of love and esteem with his neighbors, which was like severing the very heart strings, when death ruthlessly removed him from our midst. Always ready with a word of cheer and confidence for the troubled and less spirited who expressed their complaint and misfortunes to him; never hasty or chilly in manner toward any one, however bad he might be feeling, which traits endeared him with every one who were associated enough with him to learn his nature.

Well might the community feel the deep pangs in the loss of so honored, loved and valued a neighbor and citizen.

He was an earnest and consistent member of the M. E. Church, and was a faithful and diligent laborer in the Sunday School work of this locality; being president

of the Sunday School organization of Franklin Township, in which work he will be greatly missed. Taking an active interest in local and educational matters, and all things that tended to elevate the morals of his surroundings, his knowledge and counsel on such matters were considered of the very best, and for that reason he was appointed and retained a member of the school board for several terms, by which body his conservative counsel will be much missed. Always careful in his reasoning—never hasty—and a good and careful manager of his financial affairs, he was considered a reliable and trustworthy man with whom to place a part of the town's public management and so well did he handle the trust that not one complaint have we heard against him.

He was also secretary of the Good Citizens' League, in which he took an active part. Careful and strictly honest in all his business transactions, no one who knew him was afraid to deal with him and, if occasion warranted, trust their account entirely to his honor. Well may this community exclaim with one accord: "We have lost a valued citizen."

Brother Kimler being a weak constituted man, he moved from his farm south of town, where he had lived for several years, to this place in the year 1880 and went into the hardware business with J. H. Butler, with which business he remained but a short time. By his enterprise and sterling ability he erected one of the finest frame residences that Darlington now possesses. About three years ago he went into the grain business and handling of railroad ties with V. E. Craig, which constituted an honored and reliable firm, the two having brought the elevator to a firm and substantial basis, doing a good business; this business he leaves to be settled by his administrator.

Funeral services took place at the home residence, Sunday p. m. at two o'clock, being held there on account of his sick mother; conducted by Rev. J. H. Rayle, attended by so many friends from near and far that the half of them

could not get within the doors. At four o'clock the remains were laid to rest in the L. O. O. F. cemetery, this last service being conducted by the K. of P. Order here, of which he was an highly honored member, holding the high distinction of P. C., and which Order turned out in a body. The pall bearers were W. H. Snyder, E. C. Dunnington, A. E. Marshall, A. E. Peterson, W. L. Moore and R. T. M. Giffin. The pall bearers were preceded by Leo Hampton, Ivan Corns, Karl Lynch, Johnny Woody, Willie Mount and Girty Flowers who were his Sunday School class, carrying a beautiful wreath and bunch of flowers, and followed by his brothers and sisters in the Epworth League. On the plush casket inscribed on a silver plate were the words "At Rest."

During the last sad rites and the lowering of the body to its tomb, many were the eyes of stout men that moistened, especially of those of his brothers in K. of P., evidencing the high esteem in which he was held. Long has been the day that such a vast concourse of people turned out to pay their last respects to a departed neighbor.

It was thought best to keep the news of Brother Kimler's death from Brother Craig, who even at this time was very low, and who did not know of his death for almost two weeks. As the K. of P. Hall was just across the street from Brother Craig's, the members were directed to meet at the M. E. Church, on Sunday, November 17, and go from there to the residence, which was done as per above account.

At the grave the beautiful ritualistic burial ceremony was conducted by Brother Albert Mullen, acting Prelate. Almost one hundred Knights were in line. The members returned to the church and answered to roll call, and the follow-

ing committee was appointed to draft resolutions of condolence: A. R. Peterson, J. C. Hunt and C. E. Butler.

At the next meeting, November 22, the committee submitted the following report:

Whereas, The King, death, has entered our Castle Hall unannounced by herald or blast of trumpet and snatched from our circle one of the chosen guardians of our portals, Brother Past Chancellor, W. C. Kimler, and while our hearts are filled with grief at our great loss, we with true "Knighly obedience" bow to the will of the Grand Chancellor of the Universe, recognizing His wisdom as Supreme and that He doeth all things well. And while we may not understand why we are thus deprived of our brother, yet in some way His wise providence will be made manifest.

Resolved, That in the death of Brother Kimler we have lost an enthusiastic member. One always ready to defend the principles of Pythianism and was equally earnest as Knight, Prelate, Vice-Chancellor, Chancellor and Past-Chancellor. One whose daily walk was consistent with the tenets of our loved Order, and whose wise counsels will be greatly missed in our meetings. We hope we may all strive to emulate his example.

Resolved, That we extend our fraternal sympathy to the aged mother, the bereaved wife and the fatherless children in this their darkest hour, and can only commend them to the care of Him who can heal the wounded, broken hearts and dry up the fountains of tears.

Resolved, That the charter and altar of our Lodge be appropriately draped for a period of thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes. A copy be sent to the family of the deceased and published in the Darlington News, and Crawfordsville Journal.

A. R. PETERSON
J. C. HUNT
C. E. BUTLER

It was a dark hour for the Lodge. Here were two men who had been close friends all their lives; were partners in business, both Past Chancellors. Brother Kimler had followed Craig through the chairs and was, at the time of his death, Master of Work, or Sitting Past Chancellor; both sick at the same time, and the day that Kimler died it was thought that Craig would surely die. It looked as though Kimler would precede Craig but an hour, yet thanks to a merciful Providence Brother Craig was spared to us.

For days after Brother Kimler died, people would go to see Craig and he invariably asked how Kimler was. They would put him off with some evasive answer. Almost two weeks after Kimler's death Dr. Berryman told him of it. We all feared the results, yet he took the right view of it and in place of brooding over it, he made a fight to get well, and after a siege of almost unparalleled illness, which lasted from September 9 until in December, he was finally restored to health and has been more vigorous than ever before.

At the meeting held December 6, 1895, the following communication was read from Mrs. Kimler:

DARLINGTON, IND., Dec. 5, 1895.

DEAR BROTHER KNIGHTS:

I feel it my duty to present to you this picture, as a token to you of my appreciation of the

kindness and benevolence you gave me in furnishing the kind of nursing that Mr. Kimler needed. I can not reflect upon the nursing that was given him. That is such a comfort to me. I cannot express my thankfulness in words, but pray that God may bless you in your good work.

EVA KIMLER.

The picture alluded to was a picture of the wreath used at his funeral, with his photograph in the center. The gift was greatly appreciated by the Lodge. Bro. Kimler's picture was enlarged and framed, and now hangs over the station of M. of W., which position he filled at the time of his death.

As has been stated before, this term was the most remarkable one in the history of the Lodge. Added to the illness of Brothers Craig and Kimler, Brother R. P. A. Berryman had been in ill health for many months, and it was thought best that he go to California. In September, 1895, the family and friends bade him good bye, and he started for the land toward the setting sun, accompanied by his wife and children. One could not but feel moved for the anxiety of the family—especially the father, Dr. Berryman, who had done so much that Perry might be restored to health. Saddest of all was the fact that the poor old father was not permitted to ever see Perry again.

The journey to the land of flowers was made

without incident, yet within two days after his arrival at Los Angeles, he was taken with another attack, and underwent a surgical operation, which was a failure. There for many weeks he



E. S. MARTIN

Admitted Jan. 4, 1893; served as M. of A., News dealer and Assistant Past Master.

was dangerously ill. The records of this Lodge show that during that fall and winter, more than \$150 was sent to him.

He returned to this state in June, 1896, two or three days after the death of his father; which

was June 17, 1896. In the fall he moved to Crawfordsville, Indiana; and the next spring to Louisville, Ky. In the fall of 1897, he was attacked by his old disease, and again went to Los



S. G. KESSEY

Charter Member, Druggist.

Angeles, Cal., where he now is (Jan. 10, 1898.)

Through all these discouragements, the Lodge never wavered for a moment, but went boldly forward to its duty.

It was the crisis in the history of old 139,

and it was met; and while the dark clouds of adversity seemed to hang over us like a pall, we were permitted at last to see the clouds dispelled, and the glorious rays of sunshine pour through the rifted clouds. Such principles as are inculcated here can never be smothered by adversity. We may suffer and at times feel overburdened, but in time, if we are faithful, we win.

I cannot close this chapter without a word of praise for J. C. Francis, C. C., and M. V. Faust, K. of R. S. They had much to contend with and in the face of all discouragements, done their duty well and nobly. Francis retired from the chair with honors grandly won. The following persons received the Ranks under his administration: J. O. Peck, J. C. Kashner, H. W. Boots, Chas. Long and J. A. Peterson.

Semi-annual report, Dec. 31, 1895, shows:

Membership

Members per last report	127
Members admitted during term.	5
Total	132
Withdrawn	18
Death	1
	<u>14</u>
Present membership	118

Finances.

Receipts from all sources	\$568 56
Total expenses	602 02
Cash balance	145 94
Loans	31 00
Castle Hall	2000 00
Furniture and Supplies	570 00
	<u>62745 94</u>



Administration of C. W. Campbell, C. C.

From Jan. 1, 1896 to June 30, 1899.

C. W. Campbell—C. C.
 W. C. Baper—V. C.
 Grant Hamilton—Prelate
 J. C. Francis—M. of W.
 H. N. Hiatt—M. of E.
 J. A. Peterson—M. of E.
 M. V. Faust—K. of R. S.
 H. N. Faust—M. at A.
 Wm. Murphy—L. G.
 Charles Campbell—O. G.
 H. C. Dunnington—Representative to G. L.
 W. M. Hampton—Trustee for three years.

THIS term was ushered in with candidates presenting themselves for the honors of the "Knightsly spur," and the new officers found themselves in "harness" at once; and it is not flattery to say that they acquitted themselves with credit. Thus we see the beneficent results of a free people. One Chancellor, lays down the gavel and takes his place in the ranks, while another takes it up and assumes control.

On February 19th, 1899, the xxxii anniversary was commemorated by appropriate service. The night was bitter cold; a deep snow covered the ground and it was impossible for a great

many to be present. At 7:30, C. W. Campbell, C. C., called the meeting to order. The opening ode was sung, after which Miss Lysnie Lynch favored the audience with a fine recitation. A male



C. W. CAMPBELL, C. C.

Admitted Feb. 3, 1896. Served as Prelate, V. C. and was elected C. C. in December, 1897.

quartette composed of W. C. Stewart, W. B. Mount, C. E. Faust, and Lora Shannon, delighted the assembly with two selections. Brother W. T. Whittington, of DeBayard Lodge No. 33, was then introduced and delivered a fine address on

"The Order and its Principles." The address was replete with fine points and was both pleasing and instructive, commanding the attention of the assembly.

Mr. Charles Tribby was presented and favored the audience with "Graphophone" music, which elicited much applause, especially from Brother Frank Trotter, who, though a minister, is celebrated as a laugher.

April 3, 1896, some changes took place in the offices of the Lodge. Brother Grant Hamilton resigned his office as Prelate; Brother M. V. Faust, K. of R. and S. being elected to fill the vacancy. A. E. Peterson was then elected K. of R. and S. About April 10, of this year, Brother Albert Malen was taken suddenly and dangerously ill. His disease seemed to baffle the attending physician, (Dr. Dunnington) for many days. Brother John H. Cox was secured as nurse and well did he do his duty. For almost one week it seemed as if no medical skill could reach the case and that our brother, whose counsel and friendship we all prized so highly, was to be taken from us. Contrasted with all this suffering on his part, was the sweet perfected trust he had in God, and was resigned to His will. Would to God that more Knights of Pythias possessed the trust that Brother Mullen had in his Savior. It made a profound impression on many members who visited him in his illness. Thanks to the Father of all mercies, and good medical treatment, he recovered and many a time

since has his voice been heard in our Lodge room urging the members to put their trust in Him who, under all circumstances, is able and willing to aid us and save.

May 1, 1896, the pictures of Brothers L. M. Butler and William Simmons were enlarged and hung in the hall, and never does the author attend the Lodge that he does not look at these three pictures of our dead brothers and think—"What will be the increase of pictures on the walls in the next decade?" Brother it may be me, it may be you. Are we on the right side? Our loved Order teaches nothing but good, that we should live a life above reproach, and that our lives should be of the highest, purest type of manhood; yet beyond and above all these virtues the love of the Father should fill our souls, for He alone can save and make us free.

DEATH OF DORA FLANNINGAM.

On Saturday, May 2, 1896, Dora, wife of Thomas Flanningam, died at her home, corner of Douglass and Adams Streets. Her death was peculiarly sad from the fact that a baby son one day old was left without a mother. She was formerly Miss Dora Thompson and was a young lady of many accomplishments; was a devoted christian and had many friends. She was laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery west of town. The baby was taken by Mr. Flanningam's mother, Mrs. W.

C. Woody, and is now almost two years old, and has grown to be a strong boy. His name is Mac. It was fortunate that he fell into such good hands.

K. of P. DECORATION DAY.

June 14, 1896.

It had been decided for some time to set apart a certain day in June to decorate our deceased brother's graves, and it seemed to suit more members to have it on Sunday, so the second Sunday, June 14, was selected. The members met at the hall at 3 p. m., and Brother V. E. Craig was appointed Chief Marshal. At 3:30 the procession, consisting of about eighty Knights, moved down Main Street to the I. O. O. F. cemetery. At the cemetery the triangle was formed and the first part of the beautiful ritualistic decoration service was performed. At its close, Brother O. E. Kelly stepped into the triangle and delivered an eloquent address to the Knights and friends. At the conclusion of his remarks the second triangle was formed around the grave of Brother W. C. Kimler, where the solemn service of decoration was exemplified.

The following notice appeared in the CRAWFORDSVILLE JOURNAL under date of June 20, 1896:

Yesterday, June 14, Darlington Lodge, No. 139, K. of P., observed Memorial day. Lodge met at the Castle Hall

at 1:30 p. m. and marched to the cemetery where, with imposing ceremonies, the ritualistic service was exemplified over the grave of W. C. Kimler. The ceremony was witnessed by hundreds of people and was pronounced to be a success in every particular. Brother O. E. Kelley made a short address, which was earnest and to the point. The graves of Brother Lindley M. Butler at Oak Hill, and Brother Wm. Simmons at St. James had been decorated in the morning by committees of the Lodge. It is the intention of the members of our Lodge to perpetuate the beautiful service. Each recurring year but brings us nearer the portals of the Grand Lodge above. The services yesterday brought to many of us tender recollections of he whose grave we decorated, as one who when with us was a worker in the cause of Pythianism. Always earnest as a private or officer, one who did not "dream the hours away," but did what he could to "guide the footsteps of those who trusted him to goodness and to truth." Sleep, brothers, sleep. Your memory shall ever be kept in sacred remembrance.

In the forenoon the Bathbone Sisters met and decorated the grave of Sister Jennie Cornell in loving remembrance of her many virtues. The grave was decorated so artistically that many people who saw it pronounced it the finest they had ever seen. V. E. Craig was marshal of the day and it may be said that he and all who took part did their work well. Brothers, we hope to meet you all on the Triangle in one year from now, yet remember Brother Mullen's words to us yesterday, "So live to be ready to meet the summons at any time." A. B. PIRANSON.

This was the first attempt at decoration and it must be said that it was a complete success in every particular. After the return to the Hall, touching remarks were made by many of the members and much feeling was manifested. The remarks of Brother Mullen are especially worthy

of note, as he never fails to say the right thing at the right time, and remarks from one like him—a living exponent of a Pythian Knight—are always listened to with close attention.

The term of C. W. Campbell had now drawn to a close and it could well be said that he had done exceedingly well as presiding officer.

The following persons received the Banks during the term: H. M. Freeman, A. D. Haun, J. T. Flemming, Adam Carrick, Prof. O. H. Greist, C. B. Coleman, Wm. Proffitt, Allen Hopkins, Kara Pickering, Elmer E. Chambers, L. W. Little and Clayton Butler; W. J. Phelps received by card. An increase of thirteen during the term, and the largest except Milner's term since the first term after the institution.

The semi annual report, June 30, 1896, shows:

Membership	
Members last report	118
Members admitted this term	13
Total	131

Finances.	
Receipts all sources	\$ 518 19
Total expense	287 16
Total Cash on hand	229 03
Value of Castle Hall	2000 00
Furniture and Bank outfit	550 00
Other sources	104 78
Total resources	32782 79

Administration of W. C. Raper, C. C.

From July 1, 1896, to December 31, 1896.

W. C. Raper—C. C.
 W. V. Faust—V. C.
 A. M. Stewart—Prelate
 C. W. Campbell—M. of W.
 A. R. Peterson—K. of R. and S.
 H. S. Hiant—M. of F.
 J. A. Peterson—M. of E.
 E. W. Allen—M. at L.
 E. E. Basher—L. G.
 A. A. Cornell—O. G.

THE chief event of this term was the third annual reunion of all the K. of P. Lodges in Montgomery Co. The year before it had been held at Waynetown, and this Lodge sent Brother J. A. Mount as a Special Representative to make an appeal for Darlington as the next place of meeting. He made an eloquent address and the request was granted. This was in the fall of 1895 and early in the year 1896 an Executive Committee, consisting of A. R. Peterson, W. M. Hampton and L. W. Little was appointed to arrange all the details for the meeting which was to be held here on Thursday, September 24, 1896. Natural modesty would forbid me saying how much the chairman did, but this I will say that before the