

observed that several of the Conferences do not subscribe for the Bulletin of the Society, which contains so much information on the operations of the Society in general—necessary for members to know if they wish to keep in touch with the spirit of the Society. The English Bulletin of the Society has been the subject of a communication addressed to this Council by the President-General during the year, in which he states that he cannot understand the want of support shown by the Canadian Conferences where the English language is in use. This is no doubt, in most cases, the result of carelessness; but it has, nevertheless, been the occasion of some embarrassment to the Council of Ireland who publish the English Bulletin, and during the past year the Council-General were obliged to come to its assistance. The President-General hopes that the Conferences within the circumscription of the Council of Toronto will at once recognize the claims of the Bulletin, subscribe for at least one copy of it, and that Presidents will encourage the reading of it by members. The yearly subscription is only about 65 cents, and it may be ordered either through this Council, or direct from the office of publication, 50 Upper Sackville street, Dublin.

The President-General has favored this Council with the following letter:

(TRANSLATION.)

PARIS, 9th February, '99.

SIR AND DEAR BROTHER,—We were very much pleased to receive the Annual Report of the Central Council of Toronto—the first published since the institution of the Council.

The good results already apparent prove how much this organization was needed, and how much we may expect it to contribute to the propagation of our work in Canada. Three new conferences have already been added to the 23 which were originally attached to the Council, and we have great hopes that the year 1899 will not be less fruitful in happy results.

The Council General was happy to notice the increase in works, apart from that of visiting the poor in their homes, which have been taken up by our brothers. To the work of visiting the hospitals, etc., and that of managing parochial libraries you have added the night school in