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"Most assuredly there is no such organization in the Roman Catholic Church." The next question was: "Will you state whether such practices, if known to the authorities of the Church, are approved or disapproved?" The answer to this was equally prompt and emphatic: "They are not approved; they are condemned." One of the council, Mr. McClure, asked a few questions about a book that had been referred to in the case, a malicious book, designed to foster prejudice against the Church by gross misrepresentations under a semi-authoritative religious guise. With reference to this book, the Cardinal said: "It was a book written by a Jesuit who had left the order, and afterwards wrote very severe articles against the Jesuits, and the changes and hapy illustrate, deep the bid decount of the blessed Eucharist. The church does not rest content with teaching her children by doctrinal works alone, she does something making her ritual auxiliary to her defined the pomp and stook that had been referred to in the case, a malicious book, designed by gross misrepresentations under a semi-authoritative religious guise. With reference to this book, the Cardinal said: "It was a book written by a Jesuit who had left the order, and afterwards wrote very severe articles against the Jesuits, and the propose of the short of the current year, I seek your ada satistance, confidence, and assistance tion. The singing on the occasion, under the direction of Ir. Jus. Marentette, was of the choicst kind, and reflected the greatest creft both on the making her ritual auxiliary to her teaching. Hence the pomp and stream of the current year, I seek your advantance, confidence, and assistance to fit the current year, I seek your advantance, confidence, and assistance to the connection, and the changes I have to allow under the direction of Ir. Jus. Marentette, was of the choicst kind, and reflected the greatest creft both on the members of St. Alponsus choir and on their talented leade. The making her ritual auxiliary to her the direction of Ir. Jus. Marentette, was of the choicst kind, and reflected the greatest creft both on the members of St. Alponsus choir and on their talented tices, if known to the authorities of severe articles against the Jesuits, and left the Church altogether. These articles were a tissue of false hoods and accusations, known to be so at the time, and since proven over and over again to be false.' The tedious Merrill case is now nearly closed. Mrs. Merrill, an elderly woman, became a convert to the Catholic faith, and was received into the Church by the late Bishop Bacon. She subsequently made a will bequeathing her property to Bishop Bacon for religious purposes. After the Bishop's death, Mrs. Mer-rill altered the will, and made Cardinal McCloskey her legatee. She died a few years a go, and when the will was offered for probate some of her relatives objected, and began a contest to set it aside. The usual theory of "undue influence" was set up, but in the course of the long trial it has been pretty thoroughly broken down.—Pilot.

## FROM QUEBEC.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE ANCIENT CAPITAL.

DEAR SIR—I am happy to be able to inform you that Mgr. Cazeau's health is much improved. He is now able to celebrate Mass every morning, and also to devote more or less time to business.

Your kind word on behalf of Mr. John Ciblin has given meat satisfaction have Giblin has given great satisfaction here, as have also your articles on the coming French Canadian celebration of la St. Jean

Baptiste.
On Friday evening, the final weekly concert and readings of the St. Patrick's Literary Institute, took place at their hall, before a very large and appreciative audience. A good programme was performed in a faultless manner, to the delight of those present. Several members of the Institute are about to close the season's entertainment by a promenade concert in the hall, the use of which has been granted them for the occasion; this by way of a return of the compliment to the many friends of English, Scotch and

the many friends of English, Scotch and French extraction who gave their valuable assistance during the winter.

It is to be hoped that the rumor revived by the Montreal Post, that Archbishop McHale is to be created Cardinal, is based on fact. It would be a source of unbounded satisfaction to Irish Catholies all over the world.

Yours truly,
Occasional.

OCCASIONAL. Quebec, April 24th, 1880.

Immaculate and Fair!

AIR-"OH MERE CHERIE." CHORUS-Oh! blest and tender mother, Queen divine, Oh grant we know no other Love but thine.

Brighter and more pure than angel choirs in heaven, With thy celestial beauty, can aught on earth compare? Virginal maternity to thee alone was given; Oh! pray for us, Immaculate and Fair.

The mariner feels safe; toss'd on the stormy ocean,
When thro' the rifted clouds appears the
evening Star.
Such my trembling soul, mid passion's wild
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cate carved foliage. Between each cluster are panels bearing sacrificial emblems, while on other panels are wheat, grapes and flowers, exquisitely carved in bas relief. The altar table is a slab of light blue Italian marble, 10x3 feet in size. On this rests the tabernacle, beautifully carved in columns and foliage capitals. The silver work on the door was executed by Mr. Harris, of the M. S. Smith company, of Detroit, and reflects credit upon his skill, the emblem on the door being cherub and chalice, resting on an open mis-sal. On either side of the tabernacle are tiers, on which will rest the candlesticks and other ornaments, and the facing of these tiers or terraces is ornamental tracery in mosaic work. Over the tabernacle is the grand niche for the reception of the crucifix and blessed Sacrament dur-ing Benediction. The niche is supported by groups of triple columns with richly carved capitals, sur-mounted by a molded pediment. On either side of the niche are large panels, worked in the Roman architectural style and surmounted by a cornice carved with appropriate ornaments. Over the grand niche is a smaller one, in which will be placed a statue of the Good Shepherd, and over all is the globe and cross On either side the altar are pedestals intended for statues of adoring angels, which will probably be in position by next August. The height of the altar from base to top is 16 feet and the extreme width 131 feet Mr. O'Brien has certainly done himself credit as a sculptor in this beautiful piece of work, which experienced judges pronounces the finest thing of the kind in Canada. The

altar is valued at \$4,000. On Saturday morning the ceremony of consecration was commenced at 9 a. m. by His Lordship Bishop Walsh, assisted by Frs. Hours and Aboulin. The entire ceremonies were under the direction of the Rev. Pastor of Maidstone, and were carried out to the letter. The beautiful ceremony of consecration, with all that is so symbolic of the grand purpose for which the altar is destined, occupied about two hours. On the conclusion of the consecration Very Rev. Dean Wagner entered the sanc-

tuary to offer the holy sacrifice on that beautiful altar which he had struggled so hard to procure. Here was the crowning point of his work for the present. For a long time he had desired to see a suitable altar in his beautiful church, and here had God crowned his efforts with success. The singing prescribed by the ritual was rendered by the clergy in the sauctuary, led by Rev. Fr. Gerard, of Belle River. Quite a large congre-

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On Sunday morning, long before the hour for High Mass, every seat

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priest. At the conclusion of the vespers Rev. Father O'Mahony ascended the pulpit, and took for his text the words of the Psalmist, "I have loved, O Lord, the beauty of thy house, and the place where thy glery dwelleth." The church was densely crowded, and the sermon was listened to with the closest attention. The choir which had done well during the day, surpassed themselves in the pieces sung during the benediction. In fine, the ceremonies of the whole occasion were such as to reflect credit on the Rev. Fr. Ouellette, who acted as Master of ceremonies throughout, and to gladden the heart of the pastor, who is so deeply interested in the advancement of the Catholic people

## C. M. B. A. NOTES.

of Windsor.

Mr. John Doyle, of St. Thomas, Grand Deputy C. M. B. Association, instituted a branch in Sarnia on 27th inst. This new branch starts with fifteen charter members. The following are the names of the officers:

officers:
Spiritual Director—Rev. Joseph Bayard.
President—Michael Sullivan.
1st Vice-Pres.—Hugh Riley.
2nd Vice-Pres.—John Mahoney.
Rec. Secretary—James K. Faulkner.
Assistant Secretary—Hugh O'Heir.
Treasurer—Daniel McCart.
Financial Secretary—W. H. McElheron.
Marshal—James McDonald.
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The beneficiary of Michael Biggins, of Branch No. 13, Bradford, Pa., who died Jan. 15th, is payable by surplus in Supreme Treasury, Death No. 22.

Heretofore the system of numbering the deaths and assessments has not been uniform, therefore, by order of the Supreme President and Council, on and after April 19th, 1880, the number designating the death and assessment must be uniform throughout the entire Association, and in order to accomplish it, we number the

who died Jan. 23rd. One Assessment required. Be prompt in remitting. Rochester, April 6th, 1880.

Received from Mr. P. Meagher, reasurer of Branch No. 12, C. M. B. A., of Rochester, N. Y., two thousand dollars, being full amount due, and this receipt is full discharge of the amount due from

a full discharge of the amount due from the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, on the death of Patrick J. Dowling, of Branch 12. Owen F. Fee, Guardian of the heirs of P. J. Dowling. We received our first official letter from our new Supreme Recorder last week. He says, "owing to a past delay in not sending notices of deaths more promptly, as well as some delay occasioned by the

SUPREME PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

To the Officers and Members of the C. M.

Having assumed the duties of President of your Supreme Council, at this time, the out-set of the current year, I seek your

At 7 o'clock in the evening Potilical vespers were sung by his Lordship Bishop Walsh, assisted by deacon and sub-deacon, Right Rev. Mgr. Bruyere acting as assistant priest. At the conclusion of the that we are taught our real wants and how they can best be supplied. It is my desire, and I have no doubt is the wish of every one who has given the subject a serious thought, to see our laws greatly simplified. It is not, however, my purpos in this letter to suggest any change or alteration, for I do not consider this either the time or place for such discussion. I had rather encourage a strict enforcement and compliance with the laws now written, as the only safe guarantee of a united

purpose.

It has been well said that life insurance is an outgrowth of our higher civilization, to which we have risen through centuries to which we have risen through centuries of struggle and adversity. It is particularly commendable to him whose daily earnings and prospects in life do not assure a sufficient accumulation to provide for those who, depending upon him for sustenance during his life, sustain a financial loss by his death. Looking at our Association, then, as an insurance company, we are simply one of the many bands. our Association, then, as an insurance company, we are simply one of the many bands of men united together for mutual protection, made necessary by the extravagance, expense, unstability and consequent lack of confidence in the old life insurance Companies. Our other purpose, Catholic unity, must commend itself to every thoughtful Catholic, as a work of nositive, good and necessity. Many positive good and necessity. Many of the associations formed upon the plan of our own have features about them which, to say the least, are objectionable, and some antagonistic to the teachings of and some antagonistic to the teachings of our holy religion. Having that true love of family which is one of the strongest safe-guards of civil society, and attracted by the low rates and safety of the projects, many of our people have drifted into these organizations. Even slight departures in this regard are dangerous. So, to form a society presenting like temporal benefits and inducements, and at the same benefits and inducements, and at the same time free from all religious objections, was the idea which prompted the formation of our organization, cared for it in its in-fancy, and nourished its growth to its present strength. As officers and members, to enforce these laws that will keep these two purposes intact and free from all dangers, should be our labor, our love, and dangers, should be our labor, our love, and our ambition.

The safety of our Catholic unity is, as it

so largely temporal, that does not in some way submit to their right to guard it. As we love our religion, we should, in all matters pertaining to this great purpose of our existance as a body, seek and be guided by their counsel and advise. It seems to me our greatest strength in this regard lies in our present method of parochicl division. Each parish has its branch, each branch it spiritual adviser. None should be so well acquainted with the religion and moral character of the members of a congregation as he who presides over it, and no applicant can be admitted to membership without his unqualified endorsement. Surely this is a wise safeguard. Like a brook, pure in its source, it is preserved by the same influence, ever watchful, ever careful, on its way to swell the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingregational purpose and provided the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingregational purpose is the highest virtue of our system, unnecessary delay an unpardonal provided in the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingregation and provided in the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingregations are provided in the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingregations are provided in the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingregations are provided in the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingreated in the C. M. B. A. columns of the official organs. I certainly shall not feel it the duty of officers to furnish individual members incompany and the provided in the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingreated in the C. M. B. A. columns of the official organs. I certainly shall not feel it the duty of officers to furnish individual members incompany and the great stream of united purpose. No matter how powerful or ingreated in the C. M. B. A. columns of the official organs. I certainly shall not feel it the duty of officers to furnish indivi

doubt against the applicant rather than in his favor. In no case should the certificate be entrusted to the applicant for delivery to the branch, or its trustees. Its contents should be kept secret from him and handed or mailed directly to the boards. I have no doubt every physician of standing and character would, through pure love of professional honesty and integrity, fearlessly certify the truth as to all applicants, but I think it better, where it can be avoided, that he be not called upon to certify to the physical

men of ability among us, and I feel quite certain a little labor in the right direction would materially and rapidly increase our

numbers. I have deemed it advisable to change somewhat the WORKING PLAN OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

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I have relieved its Recorder of much labor and responsibility, by giving the charge and control of supplies and other properties into the hands of the Board of Trustees. That body has its Chairman and its Secretary, and all matters of importance to the organization at large will in some way be reviewed by them. Being a large body, I think there is less danger of error and mistake if submitted to their united and conservative judgment. I have observed that a cry of inquiry frequently comes from all quarters, asking how much money was received on the last death, and how much beneficiary money have we on hand. This is perfectly natural, especially if assessments happen to come more frequently than members expect, and the lack of a clear, intelligent response incites suspicion, distrust and dissatisfaction. I hope to provide against or answer this complaint by requiring the Supreme Recorder to report to the Board of Trustees without delay, the amount of beneficiary received upon each assessment, stating the exact amount received from the respective Grand Councils and Branches, and the Board will immediately cause the same to be published in the official organs of the Supreme Council. This will relieve the Recorder of what here tofore has been a very large correspondence, anwering annoying questions and tofore has been a very large correspondence, anwering annoying questions and

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I think a strict observance of this nethod will give general satisfaction, and prevent the delay and hesitation in remittances by Grand Councils and Branches heretofore occasioned by a holding back of funds, or refusal to assess until enquiries to this effect were answered.

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I feel it my duty to encourage members to take one or more of the official organism.

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T. J. KEENA, Supreme Fres.
Detroit, April 24th, 1880.

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