business, by which he trusts, with the help of God, to be able to support himself and family in future.

Hoping then, brothers, that you will charitably lend Brother Letour a helping hand.

We remain, yours fraternally,
JOHN LALLY, President.
PATRICK MCCABE, Rec. Sec.

Contributions will be acknowledged through THE CANADIAN. All contributions to be sent to Patrick McCabe, Box 211, Cornwall, Ont.

I, the undersigned, Spiritual Adviser of Branch 38 of the C. M. B. A., certify that Brother Francois Letour is a member of our branch, in good standing and worthy in every respect of the sympathy and help of the Association.

GEORGE CORBETT,
St. Columban's Parish.

Brockville, Ont., April 14, 1896.

Patrick McCabe, Esq., Secretary C. M. B. A Cornwall, Ont.

Dear Sir and Brother—I am pleased to be able to notify you that you have the permission of the Board of Trustees to issue an appeal on behalf of Brother Letour, referred to in yours of the 3rd inst.

Yours fraternally,
O. K. FRASER, Grand Pres.

PRESENTATION.

At the regular meeting of Branch 75, Penetanguishene, on April 9, 1896, the President called Bro. J. P. Dusome to the platform, when Recording Secretary J. B. Strathearn read the following address and Bro. M. A. Gendron presented him with a silver cane.

Bro. Dusome was taken wholly by surprise, as he knew of no preparation for the occasion :—

Penetanguishene, April, 9, 1896.

To Bro. J. P. Dusome:

We have learned with sorrow that we are about to lose you from our midst, and that your future business will be carried on in away off Cincinnati, far from your native home.

Dear Brother, we did not wish to permit of your departure without giving an expression to our thoughts in your regard and the esteem in which you are held in this branch of the C. M. B. A.

You were one of the noble few who saw the commencement of Branch 75, and we the members of more recent date, know under what difficulties the branch started; the interest you have always shown in its welfare and progress must ever be a consolation to you.

During the long term of membership many incidents have taken place that must naturally have given pleasure

Some of the brother members gathered around you this evening have known you from your earliest childhood, others have made your acquaintances at a later date, and among all you are held in respect and love; and we feel in your departure the loss of a staunch friend.

In saying "Good bye" our hearts will go out to you and our minds are lifted up to the Throne of the Almighty that He may bless and prosper you in your new home.

That in departing from our midst you will bear in mind the beautiful motto of the C. M. B. A. and that the signification of those words may serve as golden links binding you as a faithful Brother to Holy Church, and to our Mutual and Benevolent Association

And we hope you will, as we know you will, turn your thoughts towards Penetanguisheno and the members of Branch 75

And as a further, but very inadequate, testimony of our esteem we beg to present for your acceptance this silver cane. May it often remind you of the warm friends you leave behind.

After the meeting was over the members and many citizens gathered at Mr. Jas. Dusome's hotel, where a very elaborate supper was given in Mr J P Dusome's behalf, when over forty guests sat down, including the leading business men of the town

Mayor H. H. Thompson occupied the chair, while Rev Father Laboureau performed the office of vice chairman

After the toast "The Queen and Governor General" had been heartily drank, "Our Guest" was called, to which Mr. J. Dusome responded in suitable terms. A song, by C L. Whalen, was responded to by Rev. Father Gibbins, and Mr. J. B. Belyeau; "Mercantile," responded to by Messrs. C. G. Gendron, C. E. Wright and C. A. Thompson; "The Ladies," responded to by Messrs. Wm. Martin and C. A. Thompson. "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" and "God Save the Queen," brought the evening's pleasure to a close well on to the small hours.

Initiations in March, 1896.
Initiations du Mois de Mars, 1896.

Br.	Initiated
240...St. H. de Montreal, Que	10 members.
62...Canard River, Ont.	6 "
162...Moncton, N. B.	6 "
10...St. Catharines, Ont.	3 "
56...Hamilton, Ont.	3 "
168...Amherst, N. S.	3 "
236...Champlain, Que.	3 "
3...Amherstburg, Ont.	2 "
14...Galt, Ont.	2 "
57...Orillia, Ont.	2 "
80...Tilbury Centre, Ont.	2 "
99...Westport, Ont.	2 "
129...Granby, Que.	2 "
132...Halifax, N. S.	2 "
133...St. John, N. B.	2 "
160...Halifax, N. S.	2 "
193...St. J. Baptiste, Man.	2 "
4...London, Ont.	1 "
5...Brantford, Ont.	1 "
11...Dundas, Ont.	1 "
13...Stratford, Ont.	1 "
15...Toronto, Ont.	1 "
22...Wallaceburg, Ont.	1 "
26...Montreal, Que.	1 "
31...Guelph, Ont. (Feb.)	1 "
37...Hamilton, Ont.	1 "
45...Tecumseh, Ont.	1 "
46...Walkerton, Ont.	1 "
48...New Hamburg, Ont.	1 "
58...Ottawa, Ont.	1 "
59...Ottawa, Ont.	1 "
69...Deemerton, Ont.	1 "
71...Trenton, Ont.	1 "
72...Formosa, Ont.	1 "
76...Belleville, Ont.	1 "
83...Montreal, Que.	1 "
100...Baden, Ont.	1 "
108...Quebec, Que.	1 "
115...Chepstow, Ont.	1 "
124...Biddulph, Ont.	1 "
140...Montreal, Que.	1 "
142...Montreal, Que.	1 "
149...La Salette, Ont.	1 "
180...Yarmouth, N S.	1 "
188...Carleton Place, Ont.	1 "
190...Montreal, Que (Feb.).	1 "
196...Montreal, Que.	1 "
204...Parrsboro, N. S.	1 "
207...Montreal, Que.	1 "
209...Louiseville, Que.	1 "
211...Rat Portage, Ont.	1 "
216...Charlottetown, P. E. I.	1 "
226...Cote St. Paul, Que.	1 "
227...Fort William, Ont.	1 "
229...Dalhousie, N. B.	1 "
232...Montreal, Que. (Jan.)	1 "
234...Hamilton, Ont.	1 "
235...Ridgetown Ont.	1 "
244...Halifax, N S.	1 "
254...Kensington, P. E. I.	1 "
258...L'Orignal, Ont.	1 "
266...Brewer's Mills, Ont.	16 "
Total	114

N. B.—The initiations in the last branch are charter members.

Les initiations de la dernière succursale sont des membres fondateurs.

Honor Roll.

Branch No. 240, St. Henri de Montreal, Que., heads the honor roll for the greatest number of initiations in the month of March, 1896, having initiated ten members.

Branches No 62, Canard River, Ont., and 162, Moncton, N. B., come next in order, having initiated six members each.

Acknowledgment

IN RE TROIE CLAIM.

Montreal, Que., April, 1896

Sir—I acknowledge receipt of check from your Association for the sum of $2,000, in payment of the beneficiary certificate of the late Alexis Troie, my husband.

I thank you and request you to transmit to the officers of your branch, and also of your Grand Council, the expression of my gratitude for their kindness.

(Signed) MRS. ALEXIS TROIE.

J. E. Dupont, Esq., Rec. Sec. Br. 87, C. M. B. A., Montreal, Que.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM—SYSTEME DE COTISATION.

May Assessments. Cotisations du mois de Mai. | No. 6 & Special. | Deaths / Décès | Nos. 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41.

The Grand Council of the C.M.B.A. of Canada.

Secretary's Office, London, May 1, 1896.

Dear Sir and Brother—You are hereby officially notified of the deaths of the following named brothers:

Le Grand Conseil de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada.

Bureau du Grand Secrétaire, London, Ont., 1 Mai, 1896.

Cher Monsieur et Frère—Vous êtes, par le présent officiellement notifié du décès des frères ci-après nommés :

NO. / NO.	NAME. / NOM.	BRANCH. SUC.	LOCATION. / SIEGE.	POLICY. / POLICE.	ADMIT'D / ADMIS.	DIED. / DECEDES.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH. / CAUSE DU DECES.
30	Rev. R. D. Maloney	47	Arthur, Ont.	2000	Apr. 3, '93	Mar. 19, '96	29	Pneumonia
31	John H. Bailey	131	St. John, N. B.	2000	Apr. 28, '91	Mar. 24, '96	55	Val. Dis. of Heart
32	Thos. C. Hinch	169	Halifax, N. S.	1000	Jun 9, '92	Mar. 26, '96	36	Shock—Ry. accident
33	John Cahill	1	Windsor, Ont.	2000	Apr. 14, '81	Mar. 30, '96	61	Apoplexy
34	Louis G. Labatte	75	Penetanguishene, Ont	1000	Mar. 27, '90	Apr. 1, '96	39	Inflam. of Brain
35	Joseph Quinn	112	Merrickville, "	2000	Nov. 27, '88	Apr. 2, '96	41	Consumption
36	James Finnegan	13	Stratford, Ont.	2000	Nov. 3, '88	Apr. 3, '96	53	Apoplexy
37	Bryan Dunn	5	Brantford, Ont.	2000	July 19, '88	Apr. 11, '96	64	Palsy
38	Francis Lalonde	79	Gananoque, Ont.	1000	Apr. 19, '93	Apr. 11, '96	31	Phthisis Pulmonalis
39	Bryan Doyle	37	Hamilton, Ont.	2000	May 3, '88	Apr. 14, '96	38	Bright's Disease
40	Rev. J. S. Knight	212	Chatham, N. B.	2000	June 18, '93	Apr. 16, '96	31	Pulm. Consumption
41	Joseph Boudalte	101	Three Rivers, Q.	1000	May 8, '93	Apr. 23, '96	45	Bright's Disease

The amount of **Two Assessments** is required from each member—the regular No. 6 for May and a **Special Assessment.**

Le montant de **Deux Cotisations** est requis de chaque membre—la cotisation régulière No. 6 pour le mois de Mai et une Cotisation **Speciale.**

Statement of the Beneficiary and Reserve Funds for April, 1896.

Compte-rendu du Fonds des Bénéfices et du Fonds de Réserve pour le mois d'Avril, 1896.

BENEFICIARY FUND. / FONDS DES BENEFICES. } Dr.

Amount on hand April 1st, / Montant en caisse, le 1er Avril,	1896	$ 1,659 91
Received during April from / Reçu durant le mois d'Avril	No. 1 Assessment	106 59
	No. 2 & special "	2,982 88
	No. 3 and 4 "	14,062 70
	No. 5 "	12 53

CR.

1896. Apr. 9,	Benefits paid on account of / Bénéfices payés à compte de	D. O'Donohue,	Order 295	$ 2,000 00
9,	do	A. Troie,	" 296	2,000 00
9,	do	F. Phelan,	" 297	2,000 00
9,	do	T. Noonan,	" 298	1,000 00
14,	do	Rev. P. E. Bloem,	" 299	1,000 00
19,	do	T. Keough,	" 300	2,000 00
19,	do	A. Brogan,	" 301	2,000 00
19,	do	J. Fox,	" 302	2,000 00
28,	do	T. J. Martin,	" 303	1,000 00
28,	do	R. Dixon,	" 304	1,000 00
30,	do	P. McCarthy,	" 305	1,821 61
30,				$18,821 61
May (Mai) 1st, 1896, Balance				$18,821 61

Total amount of Beneficiary Fund collected since 1st January, 1893, to date / Montant total du Fonds des Bénéfices collecté depuis le 1er Janv., 1893, à cette date	$414,682 18
Total amount paid to the Beneficiaries of deceased members to date / Montant total payé aux Bénéficiaires des membres décédés à cette date	$412 857 57

RESERVE FUND—FONDS DE RESERVE.

Amount on hand April 1st, / Montant en caisse le 1er d'Avril, 1896	$ 52,089 97
Amount accrued since last report / Montant accru depuis le dernier rapport	903 57
Total	$ 52,993 54

SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secretary.

To the Members of the C. M. B. A. of Canada:

Brothers,—The foregoing statement of Assessment No. 6 (May Assessment) and a Special Assessment, is given in compliance with Sections 7 and 8 of Beneficiary Fund Law; the *legal* notice of these *regular monthly assessments* is given in our Constitution. You must pay the regular No. 6 Assessment to the Financial Sec. of your Branch on or before the third day of June, 1896, and the Special Assessment on or before the fifteenth day of June. Branch Treasurers must remit to me the amount of the regular No. 6 Assessment on or before the 9th day of June, and the Special Assessment on or before the 21st day of June, accompanied with Monthly Assessment Report. Members, and especially officers of branches, are requested to carefully read sections 1, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of our Constitution in order to become acquainted with the regulations regarding Assessments.

Yours fraternally,
SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Sec.

Aux Membres de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada.

Frères—L'état précédant de la cotisation No. 6 (cotisation du mois de Mai), et d'une Cotisation Spéciale, est donné en conformité des Clauses 7ème et 8ème de notre loi concernant le Fonds des Bénéfices; l'avis légal de ces cotisations mensuelles régulières est donné dans notre Constitution. Vous devez payer la cotisation régulière No. 6 au Secrétaire Financier de votre Succursale le ou avant le 3ème jour de Juin, 1896, et la cotisation Spéciale le ou avant le 15ème jour de Juin. Les Trésoriers des Succursales doivent me faire remise du montant de la cotisation régulière No. 6, le ou avant le 9ème jour de Juin, et la cotisation Spéciale le ou avant le 20ème jour de Juin, accompagné du Rapport de la Cotisation Mensuelle. Les membres, et plus particulièrement les officiers des Succursales, sont priés de lire attentivement les clauses 1, 8, 9, 10 et 11 de notre Constitution afin de bien connaître les règlements concernant les cotisations.

Fraternellement à vous,
SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Sec.