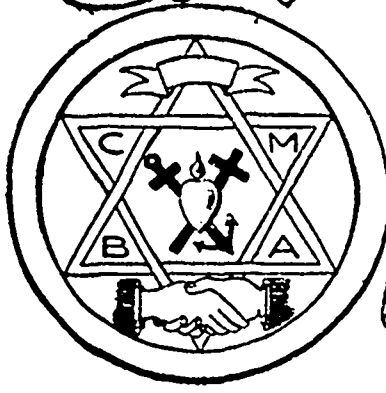


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NOTES.

The complete list of Grand and District Deputies and the report of the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Grand Council will appear in our January number.

If branches, especially those having a large membership, would get their list of members printed on the monthly assessment reports they would save their Financial Secretaries considerable work. Try it and see how nicely it works.

Branches are requested to send us the names of their elected officers for the ensuing term as soon as possible after the elections. We are anxious to have a complete list of the branch officers for our January number, and we hope Branch Recording Secretaries will not neglect supplying this.

Blank forms for the "Annual Report" from the Recording Secretary, and the "Statement to the Chairman of the Grand Council Finance Committee" from the Financial Secretary, for the year 1895, will be mailed to each branch before the end of the year, to enable said officers to make out and forward those reports in proper time. See Section 71, 171 and 172.

We understand the members of Branch 180, of Yarmouth, N. S., in endeavoring to promote the interests of their branch, have organized a series of deliberative and literary meetings, which they hold in their hall, Exchange Building, every Thursday evening during the winter. It is needless to say that meetings of this nature cannot but prove beneficial to the association, if conducted with due efficiency. The benefit to each individual member is obvious.

In another column in this issue we chronicle the death of M. Charles Gerin-Lajole, uncle of Brother Charles Dupont Hebert, at whose residence, in Three Rivers, he died in the beginning of last month. Brother Hebert considered him a second father, and always entertained for him the most

sincere respect and love. We tender Brother Hebert and his family our heartfelt sympathy in the loss they have sustained.

During the month of November some of our branches had Masses offered for the souls of their deceased brothers. What a truly Catholic act this is! What a beautiful example to our children. Nothing greater could be done to benefit our departed members or to show our love for them. What a grand thing it would be were this the rule of the association. Would it not be worthy the Grand Council at its next convocation to add a section to our constitution by which such a Mass would have, in the month of November annually, a Mass offered for our deceased brothers. The trivial outlay to each branch for this would be nothing compared to the vast good done. Make this a law of our association, brothers, and you will never regret it.

Our monthly record of new members shows clearly that there is, in many localities, a great indifference to the good of the association. We are all anxious to see the number of assessments kept low, as at present; but this cannot be done unless we have a greater increase of membership month after month. By reading our list of initiations each month, our readers can see what branches are making no progress. At convention times we have many C. M. B. A. enthusiasts; this is very good in its place, but what we are most in need of is workers—brothers who will endeavor to organize new branches and bring in new members. We do not wish it understood that we are sounding an "alarm trumpet," but we want our members to understand that no assessment association, or in fact any life assurance organization, can exist without increasing its membership; the greater the increase of membership the lower the number of assessments on average. Every new member brought in helps to keep down the number of assessments. Still, we find members of branches that are not

increasing their membership or making any effort to do so, the greatest grumblers when an increase of assessments is required. Some of our branches are doing nobly, but too many are in a state of lethargy. Wake up, brothers, and go to work before the "night comes on!"

**Initiations in October, 1895.
Initiations du Mois d'Oct., 1895.**

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121	Windsor, Ont.	1
122	London, Ont.	1
211	St. Catharines, Ont.	1
222	Grayhurst, Ont.	1
233	Aurora, Ont.	1
198	Quebec, Que.	1
214	Albion, P.E.I.	1
240	St. Henri de Montreal, Que.	1
246	Cap St. Ignace, Que.	1
247	Fraserville, Que.	1
14	Gal, Ont.	1
200	Montreal, Que.	1
201	Concord, Ont.	1
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N. B. The names of the last branch...
The following is the list of officers:

HONOR ROLL.

Branch No. 227, Four Wells, Ont., leads the honor roll in the greatest number of initiations in the month of October, having initiated seven members. Branch No. 12, Beeton, Ont., comes next in order, having initiated five members.

NEW BRANCHES.

Branch No. 250 was organized on October 24, 1895, at Somerset, Man., by District Deputy Rev. A. A. Cherner. The following is the list of officers: Spiritual Adviser, Rev. Nazaire Pelletier.
President, P. W. Allaire.
1st Vice Pres., P. W. Allaire.
2nd Vice Pres., Meliso Landry.
Rec. Sec., Leon Roy.
Asst. Rec. Sec., Louis T. Moreau.
Fin. Sec., Joseph Antoine Desrosiers.
Treasurer, Ernest Labastere.
Marshal, Simon Jos. Girardin.
Guard, George Labastere.
Trustees, Leon Roy, Louis Clart-raid, Pierre Labastere, Ophias Major, Ophias Labastere.

Branch No. 257 was organized on November 25, 1895, at Carleton Place, Ont., by District Deputy P. M. Cool. The following is the list of officers:
President, Chas. A. McCool.
First Vice President, Henry Chr. La Broche.
Second Vice President, Thos. Patterson.
Rec. Sec., C. L. McCool.
Asst. Rec. Sec., John B. Renaud.
Fin. Sec., Ferdinand Kelly.
Treas., James Wainwright.
Marshal, Thos. J. M. Donnell.
Guard, Telegraph Co. Co.
Trustees, John W. Fortin, John B. Dagenais, Alex. Montgomery, Anthony Christie, Joseph D'Amour.

Branch officers are requested to send us the names and addresses of persons in their respective localities who are not members of the C. M. B. A. and who would probably become members if made acquainted with the benefits to be derived thereby. On receipt of those names and addresses we will mail a copy of our January number of THE CANADIAN, giving all necessary information regarding the association.