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Members are invited to send in items of news of a fraternal nature, which will be of benefit to the Association. Contributions upon subjects of interest to the C. M. B. A. members will always be welcome, but anonymous letters and notices which the Manager does not consider in the interest of the Association will not be published.

Correspondents will please remember that copy must reach us before the 15th of the month, in order to be published in the following month's issue, and that space is limited in the monthly publication.

Address all communications to

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BONDS OF OFFICERS.

The officers of branches required by our C. M. B. A. constitution to give bonds are the Financial Secretaries and the Treasurers.

Sections 176 and 177 regulate the amount of such bonds; section 131 defines the kind of bonds to be given, and section 132 the security or indemnity association to which the said officers must apply for bonds. In our January issue we notified all concerned that the Grand President and Board of Trustees had selected "The Employers Liability Assurance Corporation, Limited;" that the agents, to whom application for bonds was to be made by our officers were Messrs. Schmidt and McKeon, Montreal, Que.

As some of our officers did not feel inclined to answer all the questions on the form of application for bonds, we were authorized by Messrs. Schmidt and McKeon to state in our March issue, that "should your officers object to any of the questions of the application form, such questions may be answered at the discretion of the applicant, but all replies are confidential."

The rate charged by the company selected is 50 cents per \$100 bonds. This is considered a fairly low rate.

Sufficient time, we think, has now elapsed for all our branches to have complied with this law of the association, but not more than one half the number has done so.

This is certainly wrong — Said branches are not only violating the constitution but are ignoring the orders of their Grand President and Board of Trustees. Of course we admit this Guarantee Bond-business is now to our Branch officers, this being its first year, and that a certain allowance must be made and a little time allowed our officers to become acquainted with their duties in this regard, but we sincerely trust that as now the law has been made clear, those branches that have not already done so will have their Financial Secretaries and Treasurers make application to the above mentioned agents for bonds, and thus enable our Grand

Council to complete its arrangements with the Guarantee Company referred to.

DR HANAVAN'S DEATH.

The death of our Brother Dr M J Hanavan will be learned with the deepest regret by C. M. B. A. members throughout Canada.

He was Surgeon, Lieut. Col. of Wolseley Barracks in London, Ont., and died at the Barracks hospital on Tuesday 1st inst., from a severe attack of blood poisoning.

The doctor was born in Canada, on June 5, 1812. His father, James Hanavan, was a native of County Monaghan, Ireland, and came to this country about the year 1835, settling upon a farm. The doctor was the youngest of eleven children, and in 1836 graduated with honors at Toronto university. Shortly after, he commenced active practice as a contract surgeon in the American army, during the latter part of the civil war, after which he attended the New York hospitals for a season. He then came back to Ontario and settled at Stratford, when, after nearly twenty one years of practice, he accepted the position of surgeon to the Infantry Corps or School in this city, and removed thither in November, 1888. Previous to this he passed a military examination at Toronto, and was for seventeen years surgeon of the 28th (Perth) Battalion. On leaving Stratford he was tendered a banquet by the officers of the 28th Battalion and their friends, and presented with a valuable watch and complimentary address by the citizens, and with an address and easy chair by the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association. While a resident of Stratford he filled the offices of Alderman and School Trustee, and always took an active part in everything which tended to benefit his adopted home. The doctor was married in 1875 to Miss Mary Kidd, of Dublin, County Perth, and a family of seven children was born to them—five sons and two daughters.

Brother Hanavan joined the C. M. B. A. as a charter member of Branch 13, Stratford, Ont. He was chosen representative of this branch to the Grand Council of Convention at Brantford in May 1881. At this convention he was elected Supervising Medical Examiner of the C. M. B. A. of Canada. He was re-elected to the same position at the Conventions held in Stratford in 1886, Toronto in 1888, and Montreal in 1890, and discharged his duty faithfully and well until his successor was appointed in September 1892. He was an enthusiastic worker in the C. M. B. A. cause and was beloved and respected by all who knew him.

His wife and children have our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement. Dr. Hanavan was a loving husband and indulgent father.

May he rest in peace!

Department of Insurance, Ontario.

No 500

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY AS INSURANCE COMPANY

WHEREAS by the application of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada made pursuant to The Insurance Corporation Act, 1892 and the Acts amending and consolidating the same, it has been made to appear to the undersigned, the Inspector of Insurance for the Province of Ontario, that the said applicant is entitled to registry as an insurance company:

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the said Company is accordingly registered for the transaction of Life Insurance on the assessment plan in the Province of Ontario, for the term beginning on the first day of May 1897, and ending on the thirtieth day of April 1898, subject to the provisions of the aforesaid acts.

J. HOWARD HUNTER,

Inspector of Insurance.

Entered on the Insurance License Register No. 805, Folio 57.

WILL J. VALE, Entry Clerk.

Under the Insurance Act,

(Being Chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes of Canada and amendments thereto)

Ottawa, 31st. March, 1897.

THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION No. 5 issued to the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada for the transaction of Assessment Life Insurance business in the Dominion of Canada is hereby renewed till the thirty-first day of March 1898

J. M. Courtney,

Deputy Minister of Finance.

Wm. Fitzgerald,
Superintendent of Insurance.

The Month of the Sacred Heart.

One of the features of the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, now so popular, is the dedication of the month of June to the special service and honor of this loving, Divine Heart. This devotion has the formal approval of the Church. The papal decree approving it contains the following explanation of the principle on which it rests—an explanation at once authoritative and clear. The faithful worship with supreme adoration the physical Heart of Jesus, as the Heart of the Person of the Word to which it is inseparably united. If it be asked why the heart is selected as the object of special adoration, the answer is that the real and physical heart is a natural symbol of Christ's charity.

The Church bids us to have recourse to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, mindful of the love with which He loved "even unto the end," and wishes us to remember that the opening of His Sacred Side on the cross was the first invitation to this perennial source of all blessings. Let us, then, especially during this month of June, gather around the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This is a time when all Catholics ought to make the most uncompromising profession of their religion, of their fidelity to it, of their love for it. The enemies of Catholicity scoff at our devotion to the Sacred Heart: we glory in it as a sound, true and Catholic devotion, recommended to us by the Church. Its wonderful efficacy is daily demonstrated in all those who practice it. Its sweet consolation soothes and cheers

the broken and grieving heart; it enlivens faith, inspires hope, and inflames charity. It blends itself with all the actions of those who practice it, and thus serves as an admirable antidote to that worldly spirit which seeks to keep religion apart from the temporal pursuits and interest of life.

From Branch No. 1 to Brother F. Girardot.

Windsor, Ont., May, 17, 1897.

F. Girardot, Esq., Sandwich, Ont.

Dear Sir and Bro.—At a regular meeting of Branch No. 1 C. M. B. A. held on the evening of the 13th inst., moved by Bro. S. Giguac seconded by Bro. D. L. McKeon and unanimously carried that the recording secretary be instructed to send a letter of sympathy and brotherly feeling to you on the death of your venerable mother.

We know that no words can make amends for the loss you have sustained, and we deeply realize that expressions of condolence wholly fail to restore the dearly beloved mother whose kind heart, genial, social, affable and amiable disposition, combined with every noble quality, gained for her the respect, esteem and admiration of all those who had the pleasure of her acquaintance.

She lived the greater part of her long and useful life in that grand old historic town of Sandwich till death summoned her to the enjoyment of eternal bliss, for which it is hoped and believed her Christian life and cheerful resignation to God's will, when she learned her time on earth was about ended, prepared her pure soul.

In the early days when the pioneer's axe made music in this fertile section, and awoke echoes that had slumbered throughout the ages, when brain and muscle were at every point making inroads upon primeval forests and paving the way to transmute the rich virgin soil into golden grain, the home of the Girardots was the centre of a circle within which are now to be seen prosperous trade centres, many flourishing towns and villages and happy homesteads.

The trading point was then, the commercial Mecca of a generation of whom very few now survive. It was the one home in the area enveloped in the "fierce light that beats around a throne." Mr. and Mrs. Girardot in those days entertained the church dignitary, the judges on Circuit, the missionary priest, the early fathers of the pioneers sent to minister unto them, all in fact, who went that way whether on a spiritual or judicial mission engaged in the grosser quest of land for settlement or speculation, your revered mother's home was frequented too by all the settlers, she knew and was known by them all, and many a care was mitigated, many a pinch of sorrow alleviated through kindly influence.

The future of many pioneers whose descendants are in affluence to day lay for many a year in your honored and respected father's and your venerable and lamented mother's hands.

There is no doubt of it that the kindness and leniency shown by this noble couple had much to do with the establishment of peace and plenty among the early pioneers.

The heartfelt and sincere sympathy of the members of our branch of which you are an honorable and distinguished member mourn with you and the family with sympathy and brotherly feeling.

I remain yours fraternally

P. M. KROON, Rec. Sec.