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HEAD OFFICE

The Head Office of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada has been removed from 591 Queen's Avenue to Coote Block, Dundas St., London, Oat.

Acknowledgments.

Onawa, Oat., March 27, 1897. S R Brown, Loudon Oat.

Dear Straud Brother-Iam requested by Mrs. Oaellette to thank you for the check of \$1,000, being the amount of the policy of the late J B Ou-lette, which I hauded to her on the 7th inst. you are authorized by her to publish her thanks in the official organ.

Yours fraternally, W. A. Bedard, Rec. Sec Branch 58, C. M B. A.

Montreal, Que., April 16, 1897. S. R. Brown, Graud Secretary C. M. B. A.

Dear Sir-I have received from Mr. J. E. Dupont, Sceretary of the C. M. B. A. Branch No. 87, Montreal, a check for \$2 000 in full due under policy issued to my late husband Eie Marcil, and I wish to express my ap preclation of the courteous treatment have received in the settlement of his claim. I thank you and shell always have a good word for the Grand ouncil of the Catholic Mutual Benefit esociation of Canada. Wishing your council every success it deserves.

I remain yours sincerely. Mrs. Marie Louise Marcil, No. 129 Wolfe street.

Thorold, Oat., April 21, 1897. the Officers and Members of Branch 24, C. M. B. A:

Dear Sirs-I hereby acknowledge the cipt of cheque for the amount cov ed by the bene ficiary certificate held my late husband in your associa-I wish to express my thorough isfaction of the manner in which the im has been paid and also my grati e for the many kindnesses tendered on us during my hurband's illness at other times. I shall always be to speak well of the C. M. B. A., ich is only a blessing to its members their dependent families.

NRS. JAMES LOCHERBIE.

Brockville, April 26, 1897. This is to certify that we have re ceived from D. Sullivan, Recording Secretary of Branch 15, C M B A. of Carleton Place, drafts for \$2 (8r), being payment in full of the benefici ary of our late Brother, John Boland, who was a member of said brauch. hereby wish to thank the officers of the Catholic Mutual Banefit Association, and particularly Mr. S. R. Brown and also the officers of Branch 188, for the prompt settlement of our claim. We therefore take pleasure in recommend ing membership in the Catholic Mutua! Benefi: Association to those wishing insurance in a reliable benefit society.

JAMES POLAND, Mrs. A. WILKIRSON, Signed, ELIZA BOLAND

Calumet Island, April 22, 1847.

W. McVeigh, E-q ,
Dear Sir - Kindly offer my most sincera thanks to the officers and membets of the C. M. B. A for the chrque of \$1000, which I have received in payment of insurance policy which my late hu-band held in your society.

I remain, gratefully yours, Marien Ricard.

NOTES.

Branch 26 has made arrangements for holding a monster pienie on Do minion Day at Bout de L'isle, about twelve miles from Montreal.

Grand Chancellor T. J. Funn, of Branch 26, has been named one of the Justices of the Peace for the city and district of Montreal. A well deserved honor.

Brother John Walsh, of Branch 26, has been elected Lay President of St. Patrick's Temperanco Society of Montreal, which is the oldest Catholic temperance seclety in America. Brother Wm. P. Dayle, of Branch 50, has been elected to the chief of Secretary.

Grand Deputy Costigan, of Branch 26, was recently presented with a handsome gold watch chain and locket by the member of the St Patrick's T. A. and B. Society, as a token of their esteem and appreciation of his sixteen years service as Secretary, from which office he retired in March last. Bro. Costigan, in 1890, was presented by

the same society with a hand-ome aid complete silver service

Branch 26 will hereafter meet at St Patrick's hall adjoining St. Patrick's church, Montreal. The hall, which is a pretty one, has recently been entirely renovated by the Rev pastor of St. Patrick's, Rev. Father Quinlivan, for the use of the branch. The cost of the alterations and new furniture will be over \$500 Branch 26 Intends to inaugurate its new home by a grand open meeting on Monday, May 17.

Amongst the new members recently initiated into Branch 26, Montreal, were Mr. M. J. T. Qainn, member of Parliament for St. Ana. D. Vision, Moatreal: F J. Curran, Advocate, son of the Hon. Judge Curran, who is also a member of the Branch; E. H. Lemay, Harbour Commissioner, Dr. Edward O'Connor, Duncan L MacDonald, Superintendant Montreal Street hailway : Wm. H. Griffia : G. H. Merrid, etc.

Grand Deputy Dugal, and the other officers and members of Branch 15, Tecumseh, Ont., are doing noble work for the C. M. B. A. Since 1st January last this Branch had 51 applicants examined, of whom 10 have been initiated and the others are awaiting initiation.

Branch 80, Tilbury, Oat., is also doing splendid work: 27 applicants have been examined, and approved for this branch during the past four months.

Branch 13, Stratford, Cat., since 1st January, initiated 14 members and has 11 applicants awaiting initiation, their medical certificates are approved.

Branch 26, Montreal, P 2, initiated 26 members and has I applicants ready for initiation.

Branch 28, Oltawa, Ont., initiated 17 members and has 4 applicants ready for initiation.

Branch 18, Niagara Fells, Out, int. tiated 13 members and has 7 applicants ready for initiation.

"No flowers, but pienty of Masses and prayers from my Catholic friends," should be the last dying re-Catholic quest of every good Catholic.

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Honor Roll.

Brauch No. 1 % Stratford, Out , heads the honor roll for the greatest number of initiations during the mouth of March, 1807, having initiated thirtyseven members.

Branch No. 26, Montreal, Que. comes next in order, having unitated twenty one members

Branch No. 17.4, Belle River, unt., initiated ten members.