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In 1881 there were 74 deaths in the Association. Assessments 1 and 2 have just been issued to pay the Beneficiaries of deaths Nos. 71, 72, 73 and 74 of 1884, and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of 1885.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, since the meeting of the Supreme Council, including the amount on hand at that date.

RECEIPTS. Beneficiary Fund, \$61,526.72; Disbursements, \$60,000.00; Balance on hand, \$1,526.72.

GENERAL FUND. Receipts, \$1,815.80; Disbursements, \$1,684.15; Balance on hand, \$131.65.

The Beneficiary due on death of Edw. Fitzpatrick, which was held by order of the court pending litigation, was paid Dec. 18th to Mrs. Fitzpatrick, widow of said Fitzpatrick, less the cost of suit and the Attorney's fee for defending the action.

The case of Mrs. Doyle, of Syracuse, is pending. The Attorney for the Association informs me that it is a preferred cause, and could have been reached at the last term of Court, but the plaintiff failed to file security for the costs.

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Resolved, That this Branch, taking into consideration the refusal of the Supreme Council to grant to the Canadian Branches the separate beneficiary asked for, deem it advisable that the Canadian Branches should as soon as possible form a separate beneficiary of their own, without any prejudice whatever to the American Branches.

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2nd. That if there is not some measure speedily taken, in regard to separation, we fear for the future growth of the C. M. B. A. in Canada, as there are a great many of our members already complaining as to the frequent assessments almost entirely coming from the United States.

3rd. That we advocate financial separation, and join our sister branches of Canada in petitioning the Grand President to have our Grand Council incorporated in Ontario and form a separate beneficiary for the C. M. B. A. in Canada.

4th. That the secretary of the Branch (No. 26) forward a copy of the above resolution to our official organ, the CATHOLIC RECORD, for insertion.

Yours fraternally MICHAEL O'LEARY, Rec. Sec. Branch 26, Port Lambton, Ont. A number of similar resolutions to the foregoing are held over for want of space in this issue.

In St. Mary's Cathedral, Covington, Ky., the Rev. C. P. Mac was consecrated Bishop of Covington, on Sunday, January 25, by Most Rev. Archbishop Elder.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record. CATHOLIC PROGRESS IN COBURG PARISH.

Mr. Editor.—Your CATHOLIC RECORD, so true to its name, recording weekly for its fortunate readers items of Catholic interest from all over the world, will spare a space in its columns for a small parish in the diocese of Peterborough.

At a meeting of the Catholic book publishers, held at No. 9 Barclay street, New York, on Saturday, the 12th inst., in relation to the death of Mr. D. Sadlier, the oldest Catholic publisher in the United States, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to remove our deceased friend Mr. D. Sadlier, who by a long life of usefulness in the spread of Catholic literature had become widely known and as widely respected;

And whereas, while we reverently bow to the inscrutable decrees of Our Heavenly Father, we desire to have expressed our deep sense of the loss this death brings to the Catholic book trade, and to ourselves, his friends and neighbors—

Resolved, That we hereby tender to the family of our deceased friend our most sincere sympathy and condolence in their great bereavement.

Resolved, That the Catholic book publishers of New York City will attend the funeral of our late friend in a body, and that we will close our places of business during the funeral.

Resolved, That these resolutions be engrossed and presented to the family of deceased.

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happily by a handsomely served up banquet, after which several speeches were made.

The president, Mr. G. Boobier, in his felicitous way, called upon the members of the club to unite with him in returning thanks to Rev. D. Galtier, O. M. I., and to Rev. C. Massin, O. M. I., who accompanied them, and who did so much for the promotion of the interests of the snowshoe organization.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

IRELAND. O'Connor, M. P., addressed a meeting of the Irish National League at Dublin. He said when the proper time arrived Parnell would ask the people to pay the Irish members of Parliament for their services, and that the result would astonish the world.

ENGLAND. It is impossible to convey an adequate idea of the distress that prevails in England, and the depression in employment and wages is unparalleled.

SCOTLAND. The crofters recently arrested at Port-ace, Isle of Skye, were released on bail, Crofters cheered them as they left the jail and hooted the police.

FRANCE AND CHINA. A Hong Kong despatch says only three French vessels are now engaged in the blockade of the Southwestern coast of Formosa.

The French are destroying hundreds of fishing and trading craft, killing crews or sending them to Kelung. The inhabitants of Hong Kong are indignant at such operations should be allowed.

It is rumored at Hong Kong that the French intend to advance on the blockade of Formosa and apply the blockade to Canton River. It is reported mutiny has broken out among the French-Algerian troops in Kelung.

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