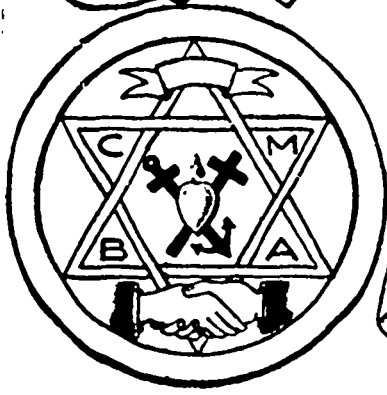


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## ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.

### Official Notice of a Special Assessment

Notice is hereby officially given to each and every member of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, that in addition to the regular No. 1 assessment for the month of January, 1897, a special assessment is also required to be paid within thirty days from the 15th January, in the same manner and of the same amount as said No. 1 assessment. This, in connection with the statement on page four of this issue, will be the only notice of such special assessment to our members, and is given in compliance with Sections 7 and 8 of the C. M. B. A. constitution.

Officers of Branches are requested to be as prompt as possible in remitting the amount of these two assessments.

It requires twenty-two thousand dollars to pay the beneficiaries of the thirteen deceased brothers reported on the statement of assessments for this month.

SAM R. BROWN,  
Grand Secretary,

London, Ont., Jan. 1, 1897.

## NOTES.

That 1897 may be a happy and prosperous year for all our readers is the sincere wish of THE CANADIAN.

### NEW YEAR'S WISHES.

What shall I wish thee—  
Treasures of earth?  
Songs in the spring-time?  
Pleasure and mirth?  
Flowers on thy pathway?  
Skies ever clear?  
Would this insure thee  
A happy New Year?  
Faith that increaseth,  
Walketh in light;  
Hope that aboundeth,  
Happy and bright;  
Love that is perfect,  
Casting out fear;  
These shall insure thee  
A Happy New Year.

At a meeting of Branch 211 Hall  
fax, N. S., held on the 9th ult., Bro.  
Eugene Sullivan, who has been Finan-

cial Secretary since the Branch was organized, and who has been elected President for the ensuing term, was presented by the Branch with a gold-headed cane and beautiful address

The following Grand Deputies appointed for Prince Edward Island, by the Grand President, were omitted by mistake in the list published last month:

King's County — J. J. Hughes.  
Souris

Queen's County — Stanislaus Blanchard, Charlottetown.

Prince County — S. M. Bent, Summerside.

Now brothers, "Put your shoulders to the wheel," and pile up our C. M. B. A. membership to 20,000 by the end of 1897. You can do it if you make an earnest effort

In 1896 we had 17 assessments: the 15 regular and 2 special. Five per cent of the amount received was placed in the Reserve Fund.

Branch 175 Kinkora Ont. had a Requiem High Mass celebrate in Nov. last for all deceased members and their friends. No greater act could be done by our C. M. B. A. brothers.

The Per Capita Tax for the fourth quarter of 1896 is over due and branches in arrears are requested to remit in full without further delay. See section 40 of Constitution.

Accounts for supplies, etc., have been rendered all our branches, and they are requested to settle same as early as possible. See section 45 of Constitution.

Members initiated since 27th August last cannot get their policies until the new forms are ready; also members who have, since said date, made a change in designation and applied for new policies. The change in the position of Grand Presidency necessitated a change in our form of policy. The delay was unavoidable and our members will please have patience a little while longer.

## BONDS OF OFFICERS.

The committee appointed by the Grand President and Board of Trustees to select a company for the furnishing of bonds for C. M. B. A. officers required to give such, has decided to accept the tender of "The Employers' Liability Association Corporation, Limited."

Messrs Schmidt and M. Keon, General Agents, Montreal, Que., are the persons with whom our branch officers will kindly communicate regarding this matter.

The officers of branches required by our constitution to give bonds are Financial Secretaries and Treasurers.

### Initiations in November, 1896.

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By	Initiated Members
1 Ottawa, Ont.	1
2 Montreal, Que.	1
3 Lewis, Que.	1
4 Windsor, Ont.	1
211 Pakenham, Ont.	1
Amherstburg, Ont.	1
Montreal, Que.	1
Peterborough, Ont.	1
Rock Island, Que.	1
Lower East Point, N. S.	1
London, Ont.	1
Kingston, Ont.	1
Ottawa, Ont.	1
Hamilton, Ont.	1
Montreal, Que.	1
Ottawa, Ont.	1
Canary Hill, Ont.	1
Mattawa, Ont.	1
London, Ont.	1
Kingstree, Ont.	1
Campbellton, Ont.	1
Colborne, Ont.	1
Waterloo, Que.	1
Sherbrooke, Que.	1
Calumet Island, Que.	1
Ottawa, Ont.	1
Yarmouth, N. S.	1
Hopeler, Ont.	1
Sydney, N. S.	1
Antigonish, N. S.	1
Valcartier, Que.	1
Toronto, Ont.	1
Alexandria, Ont.	1
St. Ursule, Que.	1
Cap St. Ignace, Que.	1
Prince Albert, N. W. T.	1
Hitchhiker, N. P.	1
Georgetown, P. E. I.	1
Total	30

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

Les initiations de la dernière branche sont des membres à la latitude.

## HONOR ROLL.

Branches No. 25 Ottawa, Ont., 1, Montreal, Que., and 3 Lewis, Que., head the honor roll for the greatest number of initiations during the month of November, 1896, having each initiated five members.

Branches No. 1, Windsor, Ont., and 211, Pakenham, Ont., come next in order, having each initiated four mem-

## Death of Brother W. T. Connors.

Quite a sensation was created in Chatham last Monday afternoon by the announcement that W. T. Connors, Esq., had suddenly become insensible at his residence, Water Street, at about 1 o'clock and was so continuing. It appears that he went home, as usual, at the dinner hour, entering the premises by way of the back yard, hauling in one of his little boys on a sled, as was sometimes his custom. He took his seat at the table and was observed to act as one suffering from disability. This alarmed Mrs. Connors and she sent out for aid. Daniel Ferguson, Esq., Collector of Customs, with whom Mr. Connors had been working during the forenoon, soon appeared and was as much surprised as anyone at the sufferer's condition, for he had, up to this time, he left the Custom House a few minutes before, been apparently in his usual health. Drs. McDonald and J. B. Benson, who were soon in attendance, found their skill of no avail, nor could they say much to relieve the anxiety of the anxious wife and other relatives and friends. The sensation of Mr. Connors' sudden illness became a shock throughout the community when it was made known that he died at 5 o'clock that evening without having rallied in any way. In the beginning of the attack, his death was like that of one falling asleep.

Our report of the proceedings of the Municipal Council—deceased having been Town Clerk—shows the admiration in which he was deservedly held in the community. He was in his fiftieth year and had been in the Customs service of the port for twenty six years. He was also an Alma Mater Commissioner by appointment of the local government, manager of the Miramichi Steam Navigation Company's steamer, besides being Grand Deputy of the C. M. B. A. of Canada and Chancellor of the branch of that Order. He was an exemplary man in all the relationships of life, and it will be difficult to find one who occupy the place he has left. He leaves a widow—a daughter of the late John Phillips, M. P. P. for Restigouche—and four children, three of whom are boys and one, the eldest a girl. They have the heartfelt sympathy of the community—Miramichi Advance, Chatham, N. B.