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COLLECTIVE CERTIFICATE OF AGENTS' REGISTRY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Insurance Corporations Act, 1892, and amending Acts, it has been made to appear to the undersigned, the Inspector of Insurance for the Province of Ontario, that the Insurance Corporation known as the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, now standing registered on the Insurance License Register, but undertaking contracts of insurance with its own members only, cannot, owing to its organization on the lodge plan, register its agents individually.

NOW THEREFORE THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the officers and the members of the said corporation, and of its lodges, branches or divisions, by whatever name known, SHALL, for and during the term beginning on the 1st day of July, A. D. 1896, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1897, BE DEEMED TO BE SEVERALLY REGISTERED AS INSURANCE AGENTS OF THE SAID CORPORATION ONLY, within the intent of the Acts hereinbefore recited, and subject to the provisions thereof.

In witness whereof this Agents' Certificate of Registry is issued to the said corporation under the hand and the seal of office of the said Inspector of Insurance, this 1st day of July, A. D. 1896.

(Sgd.) J. HOWARD HUNTER,
Inspector of Insurance



John L. Carleton, Barrister, Solicitor, etc., St. John, N. B.

John L. Carleton was born at St. John, N. B., on October 1st, 1861. He entered as a student at law in October,

1877, was admitted an attorney in October, 1882, and called to the bar in October, 1883.

The Local Government of New Brunswick appointed him reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court of that province in December, 1894.

Brother Carleton is a warm advocate of the C. M. B. A. He joined the Association as a charter member of Branch 131 and represented his branch at the Montreal, Hamilton and St. John Conventions, and for four years has been a member of the Grand Council Committee on Laws, a position in which he takes great interest and for which he is exceedingly well adapted. In his professional career he has been very successful.

Of Brother Carleton's many estimable and personal social qualities much might be said. Genial, sympathetic and liberal minded, he possesses the distinctive features of C. M. B. A. brotherhood in a special degree. A lively conversationalist, an appreciative listener, and a generous opponent, he is everywhere the centre of an admiring circle of friends. Mindful of the cardinal virtues, he has always been the friend of the poor and unfortunate, without regard to creed or calling, and many such hearts have been cheered by his tender sympathy and kindly counsel.

He has been married since September 22nd, 1886. He takes an active part in politics, and is one of the leading Reformers in his native city.



P. J. Montreuil, Grand Marshal and Grand Deputy.

Paulus Joseph Montreuil was born at Ste. Anne de la Pérade, Champlain Co., in the Province of Quebec, June 19th, 1851. He was educated chiefly at the College of Three-Rivers, Que. After completing his studies he was engaged clerking for seven years with Mr. Jean Benoit and the firm of Robert Archer & Co., in Montreal. Later he was employed with the old Northern R. R., Q. M. O. & Q. R. R., and finally the Canadian Pacific.

In 1884 he resigned his office of station agent on the Canadian Pacific at Ste. Anne de la Pérade, and established in Lévis a wholesale ale business, which he still conducts very successfully.

Brother Montreuil became a member of La Société des Artisans Canadiens-Français de la Cité de Montréal on the 9th October, 1883. From this time he took a very active part in society matters, and in order that his new friends of Lévis would profit by the advantages offered by mutual benefit societies he established in that city a branch of the above-named organization, a branch of the Catholic Order of Foresters and of the C. M. B. A. The latter he prefers to all others and devotes all his spare time in spreading its influence among his French compatriots.

Brother Montreuil has a good record in our Association. He held several offices in Branch 96, which he represented at the Grand Council Conventions in Montreal, Hamilton and St. John. At the last Convention he was elected Grand Marshal. After the Montreal Convention he was appointed District Deputy by Grand President MacCabe. Grand President Fraser also appointed him to the same position, and in revising the list of Deputies made him a Grand Deputy for the Province of Quebec as a mark of appreciation of the noble work he was doing in the C. M. B. A. cause.

Brother Montreuil organized a large number of branches and has several more under way. Some time ago he had printed, in French, and distributed among the various parish priests of the archdiocese of Quebec and dioceses of Chicoutimi and Rimouski an extra circular explanatory of the objects of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association and the great amount of good the Association is doing in Canada, and requesting them, in the interests of their parishioners, to look into our workings and use their influence in planting the C. M. B. A. in their midst. The following extract from said circular will tend to show his method of introducing the C. M. B. A. and gaining for it a foothold where heretofore it had none:

"Now, reverend gentlemen, if you believe that in your parish at least twelve qualified persons, to become members of this Association, can be found, I would request you to send these circulars to the physician whom you would deem the most recommendable in your parish; and if this gentleman is willing to take the trouble of forming a branch, have him write to me and I will give him all the necessary information as well as the requisite blank forms. In a word, I will do all in my power to facilitate the work. The Association in order to secure to its members insurance at the lowest possible cost does not pay any salary or commission to organizers; all is done by philanthropy—with the exception, of course, of the physicians, who are paid by the applicants examined."

We have, no doubt, many of our Deputies could profit largely, from a C. M. B. A. point of view, by following the example set by Grand Deputy Montreuil.

Honor Roll.

Branches No. 3, Amherstburg, Ont., and 97, Quebec, Que., head the honor roll for the greatest number of initiations in the month of May, having initiated six members each.

Branches No. 108, Quebec, Que., and 180 Yarmouth, N. S. come next in order, having initiated five members each.

Branch No. 43, Brockville, Ont., initiated four members.



Daniel J. O'Connor, Grand Chancellor of the C. M. B. A. of Canada.

Daniel J. O'Connor was born in Pickering, Ontario, forty years ago. Immediately after leaving school he entered the service of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, in whose employ he has remained ever since, holding at present a very responsible position.

He became connected with the C. M. B. A. when it was in its infancy in Canada, joining Branch No. 5, Brantford, as one of the charter-members on Nov. 9, 1879, and was elected its first Recording Secretary. He was present, although not as a Representative, at the organization of the Grand Council of Canada, at Windsor in February, 1880. Removing to Stratford, he was chiefly instrumental in organizing Branch No. 19, and filled its President's chair two terms. He represented his branch at the Grand Council Convention in St. Thomas, in 1882. At this convention he was elected Grand Treasurer, an office which he held four years. At the convention held in Stratford, in 1886, he was elected Grand President and at the convention in Toronto, in 1888, was re-elected to the same position, and held it until the Montreal Convention in 1890. He was chosen four times to serve as Representative for the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada to the Supreme Council of the C. M. B. A. of the United States, and attended the latter Council's conventions at Detroit in 1884, at London, 1886, Niagara Falls, N. Y., 1890 and Montreal, in 1892.

As an organizer of C. M. B. A. branches no member of our Association has been more successful than the subject of our sketch, the greater number of our western Ontario branches being organized by him.

During the difficulty with the Supreme Council regarding our C. M. B. A. supplies, custodianship of our members' medical certificates, and the separate beneficiary question, Brother O'Connor, acted in such a straightforward, conscientious manner, that he won the respect of all who took part in the discussions relating to those matters. He was always firm as a rock for what he and his fellow-officers of