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and that the fault does not lie with him; but with branch Medical Examiners, who, if they would but divest themselves of all feelings of friendship in the discharge of their duties, knowing nothing only the physical subject before them as an applicant for membership in an association whose interests they are in honor bound to safeguard, we would have fewer bad subjects admitted to membership and consequently a smaller death roll and fewer assessments. I am, Sir, yours Fraternal ly.

P. C. MURPHY, M. D.
Medical Examiner
Branches No. 211 and 281.

CORRESPONDENCE.

S. R. B. W. G. O. S. C. M. B. A.
London, Ont.

Dear Brother Brown: I am writing you with a mixture of regret and satisfaction. The C. M. B. A. was formed at Branch No. 50, London, Ont., on the 2nd June, 1887, and has since then been a source of much satisfaction to its members. The last meeting held on the 25th June last. A few words of explanation were given by the President, and I have been authorized to give this explanation through the medium of your official organ. The dissolution has been brought about by the mutual consent of Branches Nos. 50 and 176, which had a membership of 28, and could well afford to continue as separate branches. But these branches agreed to amalgamate in order to reduce expenses of administration, to ensure a larger attendance at meetings, to bring together more members in the transaction of business and consideration of matters affecting the welfare of our Association. Lastly, to heartily contribute, when authorized requests are made, to the funds asked in support of brothers visited by the hand of adversity. That we hope to be fully able to do, when the consolidated branches have been in existence for a few months. Such are the reasons that brought about the amalgamation of Branches Nos. 50 and 176, or the dissolution of Branch No. 50. The latter was unfortunate to lose its numerical designation when the number of the branch that should ask dissolution was drawn. However, we accepted our defeat in this respect with good nature. I am sure no one will for a moment think that other reasons were the cause of the dissolution, there were none whatever. We have full confidence in the C. M. B. A. and its officers, and I would advise the great many Catholics who intend taking life policies to join the C. M. B. A., a society conducted on the best business principles and in the interests of its members at large.

Thanking you for space allowed me in The Canadian.

I remain, dear Brother Brown,

Yours truly and faithfully,

P. E. LEMIEUX.

Rev. Sec. Br. 50 diss. L. O.,
Ottawa, 1st Sept. 1897.

The Tonsignant Appeal.

The last subscription to this appeal is dated 17th May, 1897.

There remains for me to acknowledge receipt of the following amounts:—

Br. No.	
249 Joggins Mines, N. S.	\$ 1 50
21 Thorold, Ont.	2 00
208 Dartmouth, N. S.	1 00
112 Montreal, Que.	1 00
Toronto, Ont.	3 00

Total. \$8 50
By amount previously reported \$251 12

Total. \$259 62

This makes 105 branches which have responded to the Tonsignant Appeal, on a total of 272 to which we have addressed our appeal.

In the name of my branch, I offer my most sincere thanks to all those which have kindly helped our brother Tonsignant and forwarded to him a token of confraternity.

WILFRID CAMERON,
Grand Deputy and President
Branch No. 161
Nicolet, Que., Sept. 14, 1897.

The Members of Branch 31 Are
Sorry to Lose Bro. O'Donnell's
Company, and They Let
Him Know it.

Bro. F. O'Donnell has for years been a respected member of Branch 11. He has now purchased the good will and hotel belonging to Mr. Hamilton, of Rockwood, and started in his new venture there.

Not wishing him to leave without at least some visible token of regret, Branch 11 passed the following resolution:

Whereas the members of Branch 11 of the C. M. B. A. having learned of Bro. Leslie O'Donnell's departure from the city, and whereas the members of this branch desire to place on record their appreciation of his many good qualities as a citizen and a member of this branch for the last seven years, be it therefore resolved that while we regret having to part with a good member yet we are nevertheless pleased to know that he is bettering his position in life and going into business for himself.

Therefore, be it resolved that the members of Branch 11, cordially wish Bro. O'Donnell and his family every prosperity in their new home in the village of Rockwood, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the city papers and THE CANADIAN, and another signed by the President and Secretary be presented to Bro. O'Donnell. Guelph, Sept. 27th, 1897.

Brother O'Donnell's reply was very brief, but feeling; he said:—I feel grateful for your kind address and also your kind wishes to me in my new business.—Although I am leaving your city, I am not going out of the country, only a distance of seven miles to the village of Rockwood. I always intend to remain a member of Branch 11, Guelph, and will always endeavor to be in good standing. If the brothers should find time to call and see me, I assure you I will use you the best.

Don't Take Too Much.

"Life insurance is a splendid thing to invest in, but there is no more reason why a man should recklessly purchase an excessive amount that he neither needs nor can pay for than there is for the obtaining an excess of any other commodity."

The life insurance policy should endure until its mission is fulfilled. It is far preferable to first take a comparatively small policy and hold it securely than to take a large amount of insurance and lose some, and perhaps all of it, through inability to meet the premium payments.

"Of course, it is the province of a good agent to sell all the life insurance he can to desirable people, but the man who is overweighted by the premium on his policy is apt to loose heart, becomes disgruntled with insurance, and regrets his initial payments, not considering the fact that in any

case he has received all the insurance he has paid for.

The business that stays in the business that pays. This is an old saying and it is a true one. It is satisfactory to the policy holder, the agent and the company. Weekly Statement.

The C. M. B. A. is by far the best insurance association for our Catholic men to join. A policy in it is the best asset you can have for those dependent upon you, and when you are so fortunate as to become the possessor of a C. M. B. A. policy never allow it to lapse through not paying your assessments in time.

IN MEMORIAM.

On Tuesday morning, November 27th, high Mass of Requiem was offered by Rev. J. J. O'Donovan for the repose of the souls of all deceased members of Branch 11, Carleton, St. John, N. B., since its formation in the parish. The offering was from the members of the Branch, in charity to the memory of their departed brothers.

PRAY FOR DEPARTED BROTHERS.

Brothers, during this month, specially dedicated to intercession for the souls in Purgatory, be not derelict in the duty of praying and having the Holy Sacrifice offered up for departed brothers.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Branch No. 28, Ottawa, Ont., on the death of Brother P. Brennan's wife.
Branch No. 124, Haldimand, Ont., on the death of Brother John Gungley's daughter.
Branch No. 19, Ingersoll, Ont., on the death of Miss Edna Anastasia Scott, daughter of Brother W. F. Scott, and sister of Brother D. W. Scott.

Branch No. 4, London, Ont., on the death of brothers D. and E. Dibbs' mother, and also on the death of brother D. Baker's mother.

Branch No. 81, Smith's Falls, Ont., on the death of brother Michael Healy's wife.

Branch No. 276, Tracadie, N. B., on the death of Brother Wm. L. Allain's brother.

Branch No. 104, Quebec, Que., on the death of Brother Wm. H. McAnney's mother.

Branch No. 111, Toronto, Ont., on the death of Brother P. Dolan's father.

At a regular meeting of branch No. 114, Sherbrooke, Que., the following resolutions were adopted:

Moved by Bro. W. J. Shea, seconded by Bro. W. W. Morency and

Resolved that, whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death our esteemed brother, James Tracey, we, the members of Branch No. 114, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by our respected brother's wife and family, and extend to them our sincere sympathy and condolence.

Moved by W. W. Morency, seconded by Bro. Wm. Gendron and

Resolved that a copy of the above resolution be tendered to the family of the deceased brother, and published in THE CANADIAN and local papers.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 7, Brantford, Ont., held Sept. 12, the following resolutions of condolence were unanimously adopted:

Moved by Bro. Jas. McGregg, seconded by Bro. W. B. Schuler, whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst Bro. William Fleming, a charter member of Branch 7, and father of Bro. J. C. Fleming

Resolved that the members of Branch 7 hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by the family of the deceased and extend to them our condolence in this their hour of sorrow.

Resolved that this resolution be sent to the members of the family, and be published in the official organ.

At the last regular meeting of Branch No. 4, London, held on Sept. 27, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death, Conductor Patrick Murray, father of our worthy 1st Vice President, James Murray,

Resolved that we, the members of Branch No. 4, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by his widow and children, and extend to them our sincere sympathy and condolence. A copy of this resolution was inserted in the minutes of this meeting and sent to Bro. James Murray.

At a special meeting of Branch No. 1, Brantford, Ont., held on the 10th September, 1897, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas the members of Branch No. 1 have learned with deep regret and sorrow of the unexpected death of Brother Thomas Kelly, who respects himself with an excellent business, the high character of his work and his family.

Resolved that whilst bowing to the will of Almighty God in the calling of this dear brother to his eternal reward, the members of Branch No. 1, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by his widow and children, and extend to them our sincere sympathy and condolence. A copy of this resolution was inserted in the minutes of this meeting and sent to Bro. Thomas Kelly.

That as respecting the funeral of this departed brother, the members of Branch No. 1, hereby express their sympathy and condolence to the widow and children, and that as a token of their sympathy, they have decided to have a full and complete record of the funeral service, and that this record be inserted in the minutes of the Branch, and be published in the official organ of the Branch.

That these resolutions be entered in the minutes of the meeting, and be published in the official organ of the Branch, and be sent to the Daily Telegraph and the Canadian Press, to be reprinted in the C. M. B. A. official organ.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 18, Niagara Falls, Ont., the following resolutions were unanimously carried:

It having been thought and voted to have a full and complete record of the funeral service of this departed brother, the members of Branch No. 18, hereby express their sympathy and condolence to the widow and children, and extend to them our sincere sympathy and condolence.

Resolved that in the death of our respected and deeply regretted brother, our branch has suffered a very great loss, the community has a young and energetic and esteemed citizen, while his true and loving wife and child have suffered the greatest loss of all earthly losses. Be it further

Resolved that the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of the members of this branch be respectfully tendered the widow and child of our late brother, with a fervent hope that our good Lord will comfort and strengthen them in their hour of affliction. That our charter be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days as a small token of respect for the memory of the deceased. That a copy of these resolutions be tendered the widow of our late brother. The same to be entered in our minutes and also published in the local papers and the official organ of the society.

At the last regular meeting of Branch No. 7, Brantford, Ont., it was moved by Brother Jas. McGregg, seconded by Brother W. B. Schuler

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom, to remove from this world of sorrow, our esteemed and respected Bro. Jas. Feeney, who for many years held the office of Fin. Sec. and by his courtesy and kindness, endeared himself to all the members of this Branch and after a lingering and painful illness borne with patience and resignation to the Holy will of God and fortified by the sacraments of our Holy Mother the Church

Resolved that while bowing to an all-wise providence we beg to extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy, with Fin. Sec. Bro. Comforted sympathy of deceased and members of the family in their bereavement and pray that God in His infinite mercy will grant eternal rest to his soul.

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of the deceased and be published in the official organ.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 1, Montreal, Que., the following resolutions were adopted and carried unanimously:

That it being the Divine Will to remove by death our esteemed Brother, William Henry Grogan

Resolved that we, the members of Branch No. 1, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by his widow and children, and extend to them our sincere sympathy and condolence. That our charter be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days, and that a full record be inserted in our minutes.

Resolved that a copy of this minute be forwarded to his widow and children, and also to his brother J. J. Conigan, Deputy and Secretary of Branch No. 1, on account of himself and brothers, also that copies be sent to the Catholic press and that our charter be draped for the space of sixty days, and that a full record be inserted in our minutes.