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Office rs of Branch No. 21, St. Clements, for 1985.—Softman No. 21,

Ingersoll, Dec. 15th, 1884.

To Brother Thomas Henderson:
At the regular meeting of this Branch, held in their Hall, this evening, the following resolutions were introduced, and unanimously adopted.

Whereas, this Branch has learned with sincere regret of the affliction with which it has pleased Divine Providence to visit the home of our highly respected chan-cellor, Brother Thomas Henderson, in the

death of his young son,
Resolved, that although the deceased had not attained the age of mature years, nevertheless, the severing of those na-tural ties which bind us here to those whom we love and reverence is always painful and keenly felt.

Resolved, that we, the members of this Branch, sincerely sympathise with Bro, Henderson and his family in the bereavement with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him

who orders all things for the best.
Resolved, that this preamble and resolutions now adopted, be presented to Brother Henderson and also published in the CATHOLIC RECORD.

JOSEPH LONG, Rec. Sec. Peterboro', Dec. 10, 1884. Editor Catholic Record.

RESPECTED Six:—As the year 1884 is drawing to a close it behooves the mem-

bers of the C. M. B. A. to consider carefully the progress made during the past year by the association in Canada. year by the association in Canada.

Though there has been a few branches this year added to the number in exist-

ence at the close of 1883, still, judging from the progress made by kindred societies of other denominations, that of the C. M. B. A. has been rather slow.

I aunch seen near London Bridge shortly before the explosion.

United Ireland, attributing the London Bridge explosion to the agency of dynamite, savs detectives, influenced by the

Now the question arises, what are the reasons, where the difficulties, preventing the C. M. B. A. of Canada being as own people, as, for instance, the "Foresters" "Oddfellows," "United Workmen," &c. are amongst our separated brethren.

Examine into the matter.

In the first place members of the Canadian Branch of the association are placed on unequal footing with their brethren across the lines, from different reasons, the percentage of deaths being greater there than here.

For instance, when the association first became incorporated, members were admitted from 21 years to 60, an oversight which in a few years required remedying; after this change was made, were not eligible after 55 years of age and even this change did not seem the age by which a man shall be engine to membership to from 21 to 50 years, and as most of our Canadian members come under this last classification, it is evident, that in this respect alone, our Canadian (1) and the perpenditors of the London bridge outrage. United Ireland says:—The English exhibit admirable patience under the sense less and wicked frights to which they Canadian "Policy holders" or members, are safer risks than many of our Ameri-

And then again, judging from the offiseem to have been a very careful medical examination procured in most cases, as witness, by our card, the number of deaths from lung disease alone, which must at least have been apparent at time of examination. These two reasons show plainly how much we suffer from our present of the careful medical same plainly how much we suffer from our present at time of examination. plainly how much we suffer from our present connection with the American present connection with the American part of the association. But there are still other and more important reasons why we are not progressing as rapidly as we should. The first and most essential we should. The first and most essential work was prosecuted with immense diffi-canadian laws, the privilege of framing culty, but deep shadows were sufficient Canadian laws, the privilege of framing our own constitution and by laws to the our own constitution and by-laws to the best interest of Canadian members, and procuring of our Branch supplies in Canplosive, giving the conspirators time to

This much secure, the next step is to provide, by some means, constitutional protection to its members. By this I mean that in case of sickness, (or some other well-defined cause) of a member.

London Truth suggests, as a reprisal other well-defined cause) of a member who has previously been in good standwho has previously been in good standing, and who, on account of said sickness, was unable to meet his assessments when due, some means should be adopted to due, some means should be adopted to secure his good standing in the association, until the member had regained his health, and also allow him, if in want while sick or disabled, some fixed amount for his support until able to resume his duties. A fund for this purpose might be created in different ways. The one which suggests itself to me at present, it is to levy an assessment on all members accord.

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ing to classification, as, in case of death. The money to be held by the treasurer of Grand Council of Canada, subject to the call of the different branches, whose members stand in need of it. An accurate account should be kept thereof, and deducted from beneficiary, payable at death of members who have received assistance. If we had some such inducement as this to offer our Catholic people, we might solicit their member-ship with some show of success. It is

ime there was something being done. Let every Branch in Canada take up these questions, especially "incorpora-tion" and "separate beneficiary," and see if we cannot make our association in

Canada, not only a progressive, but an enviable one to belong to. Yours fraternally WM. SUMMERVILLE, 2nd Vice-President, Branch No 30,

Peterborough, Ont. Kingston, Dec. 19th, 1884.

Kingston, Dec. 19th, 1884.

At the regular monthly meeting of C.

M. B. A., Branch 9, held Dec. 17th, it
was moved by M. J. Maloney, seconded
by Jno, J. Behan and
Resolved,—Whereas, the members of
the Branch have learned with the deepest regret of the affliction our worthy
chancellors, William Sealy and William
Sulliyan have sustained by the death of Sullivan, have sustained by the death of their mother-in-law, Mrs. John Scanlan, a lady highly esteemed and respected

for her many amiable qualities, Resolved,—That we extend our deepest sympathy to our brothers in the hour of their affliction, praying that the God of the righteous will have mercy on the soul of the departed, and give patience and fortitude to the surviving family to bear the loss sustained by such a severance of the tenderest of ties-the loss of

a mother to her family.

Resolved,—That copies of the foregoing resolutions be sent to brothers Sealy and Sullivan, and also to the CATHOLIC Record, our official organ, for insertion therein.

JNO. J. BUGGEE, Rec. Sec. Branch 9

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

IRELAND.

The recent speech of Mr. Bannerman, Chief Secretary for Ireland, advocating a more liberal form of Government for Ire-land, and the address of Earl Morley, Under Secretary for War, saying that never had Ireland a Government more anxious to render justice and more than justice to Ireland, are causing much comment. The Conservatives consider the spirit of these speeches one of thinlyveiled Nationalism, and speculation is high as to what concessions the Premier

intends making.

At a meeting of the Irish National League at Dublin, O'Brien, M. P., said the Nationalists would probably meet a renewal of the Crimes Act by impeaching

Earl Spencer.

"Irish laborer" writes the London
Times that one result of the London Bridge explosion will be that 300 Irish waterside laborers will be thrown out of employment. The foreman, he says, will be afraid to engage Irishmen.

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employment. The foreman, he says, will be afraid to engage Irishmen. The Dublin Irishman alleges that the British Government sent a woman to Ireland with authority to offer a contribution of £500 toward the cost of a launch to be used on the Thames for throwing bombs at the Parliament building. The paper connects this story with the launch seen near London Bridge shortly

mite, says detectives, influenced by the castle officials, are keeping up the scare. If an inquiry into the Castle Government demanded by Irish members of Parliament would be granted, it says the secret of past explosions would soon be brought to light.

quested Redmond, O'Kelly and Harring-ton, M. P's, to summon a county conven-tion throughout Ulster, which the Irish members will attend.

The third trial of James Ellis French, Director of the Detective Department of the Royal Irish Constabulary, Dublin, for scandalous offences in connection with the Cornwall case, resulted in con-sistion. He was sentenced to two wears? viction. He was sentenced to two years imprisonment.

ENGLAND.

The corporation of London has voted a reward of \$25,000 for information that sufficient, as subsequently we all fixed the age by which a man shall be eligible the perpetrators of the London bridge

are subjected, but the police direct the dynamite conspiracy and pay for the ex-

Earl Granville and Mr. Gladstone have cial notification which we receive of death and its causes, there does not the explosion at London bridge.

show the outrage was planned with an amount of coolness, determination and foresight hitherto uncredited to the ada instead of in the States, as at present.

escape and catch the train for Paris.
The tide on Saturday was lower than

proposes the disestablishment of the Church of England be made the leading question in the coming elections.

The British Government has issued instructions to the Board of Admiralty to prepare plans for concerted operations for the defence of British Colonies in the

event of war. GERMANY.

The Paris Gaulois Berlin despatch, in relation to the Socialist excitement, says the police assert they have found proof of an extensive plot to enroll soldiers in Socialist society, and that pamphlets preaching revolt have been circulated privately among soldiers. Berlin garri-son and barracks were minutely searched on Wednesday. The result will be kept secret. Since the elections for members of the Reichstag Socialist workmen have been openly advocating resistance. The police recently, while trying to dissolve a Socialist meeting, were resisted and beaten. A mob afterward fought in the street. The police were reinforced and

arrested a number of rioters.

Germania, of Berlin (ultramontane,) in a pessimist article, compares the position of the German Empire to a dance upon of the German Empire to a dance upon a volcano, and says the electoral suc-cesses of the Socialists, the searches of the barracks by the police and the trial of Anarchists at Leipsic indicate that the state is beginning to decay.

PRANCE AND CHINA. The French force in Tonquin is strongly entrenched at Lang Kep. The Chinese are in force four miles distant. The

French anxiously await reinforcements. Many deaths have occurred among the soldiers, and a large number are unfit for service. Operations in Formosa are at a service. (

A despatch from Admiral Courbet, dated Kelung, says:—"We have dis-lodged the Chinese from the works which they had thrown up, menacing our posi-tions. Two hundred of the enemy were killed or wounded."

The French Cabinet has approved of a new plan for the Chinese campaign. All reinforcements will be directed to Tonquin instead of part being forwarded to Courbet at Formosa. Gen, De Lisle will direct his forces in two columns on Laugson and Caobang, when solid garrisons will be formed upon the Chinese frontier. It is calculated 5,000 men will be available to send to Courbet for an attack upon Kelung and Tamsui. It is reported that Courbet, owing to ill-health, has asked that his successor be appointed. A despatch from Shanghai to the Paris National says the French Minister has been ordered to inform China that any further negotiations are useless. The dispute must now be set-

tled by the sword. EGYPT.

A Korti despatch says a messenger who arrived from Khartoum in eleven days reports Gen. Gordon was well and recently severely defeated the rebels, killing a large number and blowing up forts at Omdermann.

centration of his army at Korti the first week in January, and will begin his march through the desert upon Shendy January 7. The distance from Korti to Shendy is 200 miles, and Gen. Wolseley calculates the march will occupy sixteen days, unless he meets with opposition from the enemy on the route. A simultaneous movement will be made from Suakim against Osman Digma in order to secure from attack the flank of the Nile expedition of Gen. Wolseley. Gen. Stephenson will leave Cairo for Suakim Wednesday to assume command of the Wednesday to assume command of the expedition from that place. Maj. Chermside reports that out of the garrison at Suakim of 1,200 marines and sailors there are only 100 effective men. Fresh &c. are amongst our separated brethren.

The Irish Parliamentary party has requested Redmond, O'Kelly and Harringported that Gen. Stephenson insists upon the necessity of raising an effective force of 5,000 men to successfully operate against Osman Digma,

INDIA.

The Marquis of Ripon, the retiring Governor-General of India, made a state entry into Bombay. The streets for six miles were thronged with people. Seventy-five addresses were made. The Marquis said he was leaving India in a tranquil and prosperous condition and loyal to the Home Government, and the country was better guarded against famine than ever before. Enthusiastic cheers were given for Queen Victoria and the Marquis.

RUSSIA.

Letters from St. Petersburg give a few details of the recent attempt upon the life of the Czar. The attempt was made upon the occasion of a recent fele made upon the occasion of a recent fetter of the Chevaliers of St. George. The rails on the Gatschina line, over which the Czar's train passed, were found loosened at certain spots. A soldier on guard at the place where the train was expected to leave the rails was afterwards found murdered. found murdered.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record. FROM QUEBEC.

Quebec, Dec. 15th, 1884.

Dear Mr. Editor:—During the last few weeks death has been pretty busy in this quaint old city of Quebec, and amongst those who have been stricked down we note the papers of coolering. down, we note the names of ecclesiastics and persons who have made a name for themselves, not only in their own city, but also, wherever the Maple Leaf or the sons of Erin are found in this Canadian country. First on the list of those whom we hold so dear and whom death has snatched away, comes the Rev. Father Lagace, Principal of the Laval Normal school, who departed this life "in Domino," on the 6th ult., after a very short illness. He is deeply regretted by all who knew him, and the cause of education loses in him a man of sciof education loses in him a man of sci

the "regime" of the present Reverend Fathers of the Redemptorist order.

And last, though not least, Lady Belleau, nee Ganoreau, wife of Sir Narcisse Belleau, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, who departed this life on the 10th mst. She died as she had lived, a good and fervent Catholic, and always charitable and kind to the poor. She was interred in the vault of the Ursuline chapel. In accordance with her special desire the decorations in the Basilica, where her funeral service was sung, were both simple and plain. The church was filled with a large congregation, including representatives of all the leading families in the ancient capital, amongst whom was remarked the Lt.-Governor, Hon. A. P. Caron, the members of the city council as well as those of the local government, and many more whose names it would and many more whose names it would take too long to mention.

His Grace the Archbishop has returned from Toronto, whither he had gone to assist at the silver jubilee of Archbishop

Lynch. It is currently rumored here that the division of the diocese of Three Rivers has been finally determined upon by His Holiness, but nothing positive can be ascertained as yet. One thing is zertain, viz., that there will be important changes in the ecclesiastical regime of this Province before long. J. G. LE BRENN. before long.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record. MONTH'S MIND.

On Tuesday, the 16th inst., a Solemn Requiem High Mass of month's memory was celebrated in the Catholic Church, Thornhill, for the repose of the soul of Mr. Francis Egan, father of the Revds. Patrick and John Egan. The celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Father Bergin; deacon, Rev. Father McCann; sub-deacon, Rev. Father Morris; master of ceremonies, Rev. Father Moina.

Rev. Father Moina.

The following priests were in the sanctuary: Father Brennan, of St. Michael's College; Father Kiernan, of Port Colborne; Father Gallagher, of Caledon; Father Murray, of St. Michael's College; Father Sheahan, of Bradford; Father McMahon, of Smithville, and Father Egan, of Thornbill

Many other of the priests of the archdiocese of Toronto would have attended to mark their sympathy and respect for Father Egan, and for his dear departed father, but having announced their Christ-mas stations they could not, without great

inconvenience, pass them over.

A large number of the parishioners were present at Mass to show their heart-

were present at Mass to show their heartfelt sympathy for their highly esteemed
pastor, as well as their respect for the
memory of the dear departed.

The death of Mr. Francis Egan was
sudden, having been the result of a few
days' illness. However, Almighty God
spared him until he would see his priest
to make his reconciliation, and this, we are told, he did with a calmness that bespeaks true contrition. The friends of the de-ceased saw him but a short time ago in the enjoyment of his usual health and spirits, and little did they expect then the sad intelligence which we communicate to-day, but the ways of Providence are inscrutable, and no man knows when his hour is to come. It can be truly said of the deceased that he was "a great man." He was good to the poor, he shared his morsel with them, he was a sympathizer in their sufferings. He was a warmhearted patriot, a lover of Ireland's rights hearted patriot, a lover of freeland's rights and a hater of her wrongs. He was great because he observed a steady and uncom-promising adhesion to the principles of the Catholic faith and vindicated them when circumstances called on him to do so.

This may appear an exaggeration to persons unacquainted with his character, out we know its truth for we have seen i

tested.
Mr. Francis Egan had attained his eighty-sixth year, having been born in 1798. He died at his home in the parish of Inagh, in the county of Clare, Ireland, and is buried side by side with his wife in the graveyard of Killarnan. May his soul rest in peace. Amen.

Just received at J. J. GIBBONS'-Em-Just received at J. J. Gibbons — Em-broidered Piano and Table Covers, Table Damask and Napkins, Knitted Wool Shawls and Scarfs, lined Kid Gloves and Mitts, Silk Handkerchiefs; will be sold cheap.

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