Branch No. 4, London,

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month, at eight o'clock, at their hall, Albion Block, Richmond Street. J. Forrestall, Pres. Wm. Corcoran, Recording Secretary.

C. M. B. A.

Meeting of Trustees of the Grand Council of Canada.

At a meeting of the Grand President and Board of Trustees of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, held in Brockville, Ont., on Tuesday, January 17th, 1893, the following business was transacted:

Members present: Grand President O. K. Fraser, Grand Secretary S. R. Brown, Rev. P. M. Bardou, Rev. M. J. Tiernan, T. P. Tansey, Lassalle Gravelle and P. J. O'Keefe. There were also present F. R. Latchford, Judge Rioux, R. J. Dowdall, T. J. Finn, Grand Deputy Hebert, P. J. Montreuil and Dr. Ryan, Supervising Medical Examiner.

Grand President O. K. Fraser took the chair at 3 p. m., and called the meeting to order as a meeting of the Grand Council of Canada.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and, on motion of Mr. O'Keefe, seconded by Mr. Gravelle, were adopted.

The Grand President read communications and telegrams from St. John, N. B., regarding the admission of an applicant. Mr. O'Keefe gave an explanation of the matter, but no action was taken.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the action of the Supreme President in granting the petition for a Grand Council in Quebec.

Moved by Mr. T. P. Tansey, seconded by Mr. P. J. O'Keefe,

That in accordance with the agreement between the Supreme Council and the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada, the Grand Secretary be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to issue forthwith assessment No. 1 of this Grand Council to pay all death claims which accurred within the jurisdiction of this Grand Council up to the 31st Dec., 1892, and for which a levy was not made by the Supreme Council prior to or under this assessment No. 18, dated 5th Dec., 1892. Carried.

On motion of Mr. O'Keefe, seconded by Mr. Tansey, the meeting adjourned until 8 p. m.

On re-assembling, it was

Moved by Mr. O'Keefe, seconded by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, that the Grand President send a protest to the Supreme President against the formation of the Grand Council of Quebec, and ask the Supreme Council to withdraw the charter for such Council. Carried.

The following petitions were read by the Grand Secretary:

Montreal, Jan. 16, 1893.

T. J. Finn Esq., Grand Deputy, C. M. B. A., Grand Council of Canada:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—We, the undersigned, as District Deputies of the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada, do hereby respectfully request you to urge personally before the Board of Trustees of our Council the necessity of giving to the Province of Quebec everything in the shape of supplies in the French language, and also a French assistant secretary to transact the business of the Association in that language.

We furthermore wish to add that we have much pleasure in recommending for that position District Deputy J. E. H. Howison as the choice of the Province of Quebec.

A. H. SPEDDING, Montreal.
G. T. MOREAU, M. D., Montreal.
C. DAUDELIN, Montreal.
J. C. MORRISON, Quebec.
JAMES COLEMAN, Montreal.
O. J. MONTREUIL, Levis.
CHARLES DUPONT HEBERT, Grand Deputy, Three Rivers.

Moved by Mr. O'Keefe, seconded by Mr. Gravelle, that Mr. J. E. H. Howison be assistant secretary and organizer for the association, subject to the instructions and orders and under the directions of Grand Secretary S. R. Brown. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Tansey, seconded by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, that the salary of Mr. Howison be fifty dollars per month, with actual and necessary travelling expenses and hotel bills while travelling. Carried.

Moved by Mr. O'Keefe, seconded by Mr. Gravelle, that the term of said assistant secretary's engagement be from month to month at the discretion of the Grand President. Carried.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the funds of Branch 26, but no definite action was taken.

On motion of Rev. M. J. Tiernan, seconded by Mr. Gravelle, the contract for furnishing the guarantee bonds for the several officers of this Council required to give bonds was awarded to the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, through its general agent, Mr. M. F. Wolf, of Rochester, at a cost of $3.90 per thousand dollars per annum, and that our solicitor be consulted by the Grand Secretary as to the proper execution thereof.

A communication from District Deputy Mr. C. Bedard regarding the condition of Branch 127, Windsor Mills, was read. The Grand President explained the action he took, stating that he wrote the Deputy to have the Branch re-organized at the expense of the Council. The action of the Grand President was confirmed.

A communication from the President of Branch 158, St. Vincent de Paul, regarding the installation of officers was read. On motion of Mr. P. J. O'Keefe, seconded by Mr. Tansey, the matter was referred to District Deputy J. E. H. Howison to attend to without delay.

Moved by Mr. Tansey, seconded by Mr. O'Keefe, that the several Deputies present meet this evening and draw up rules for the instruction of Deputies regarding the organization of branches and the duties of Deputies generally, and submit the same to the Grand President and Grand Secretary. Carried.

An account from Mr. John O'Mara for legal services and a letter accompanying same was read. After explanations by Grand Secretary and the Rev. Father Bardou it was moved by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, seconded by Mr. P. J. O'Keefe, that the account be paid. Carried.

On motion of Rev. M. J. Tiernan, seconded by Rev. P. M. Bardou, the *Catholic Register* of Toronto was made an official organ.

A communication from Branch No. 153, Midland, Ont., regarding a Spiritual Adviser was left in the hands of the Grand President.

A communication from a member of Branch No 5, Brantford, Ont., regarding the class in which a member should be placed when granted a higher grade certificate than the one previously held was read, discussed and decided as follows: the member continues the beneficiary, paying on $1,000 the same as he had been doing, and must pay on the additional $1000 beneficiary according to his age at the time he was granted said additional amount.

Dr. Ryan, Supervising Medical Examiner, addressed the meeting, explaining a circular which he had drawn up, and which he considered advisable to send to every branch and every Medicial Examiner in his jurisdiction. He also requested the Council to supply him with stationary, and asked if the Supervising Medical Examiner was allowed postage.

On motion of Rev. M. J. Tiernan, seconded by T. P. Tansey, it was decided to send the circular referred to to each Branch and each Medical Examiner, and to also supply Dr. Ryan with stationary.

In regard to postage for the Supervising Medical Examiner it was decided to follow the custom adopted heretofore. Not allowed.

Moved by Rev. P. M. Bardou, seconded by Mr. P. J. O'Keefe, that Dr. Ryan be provided with an "Index Book," in which to register the names of rejected applicants and also with blank forms for the purpose of making enquiries regarding Medical Examiners. Carried.

It was decided that the time for taking applications for exchanging the Supreme Council beneficiary certificates for certificates from the Grand Council of Canada be extended.

Moved by Rev. P. M. Bardou, seconded by Mr. Gravelle, that the Grand Secretary revise the blank forms, and submit them to the solicitor, Mr. Latchford, and Judge Rioux before calling for tenders. Carried.

Moved by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, seconded by Rev. P. M. Bardou, that Mr. P. J. O'Keefe and Mr. T. P. Tansey be a committee to prepare material for a C. M. B. A. circular explaining the objects of the Association. Carried.

Moved by Mr. O'Keefe, seconded by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, that the bill read by Mr. Latchford, incorporating this Grand Council in the Dominion, be left in the hands of the committee appointed for that purpose, with a recommendation that the part pertaining to the incorporation or registering of *branches* be omitted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Tansey, seconded by Mr. O'Keefe, that a vote of thanks be and is hereby tendered Branch No. 43 for the use of their hall, which they so kindly placed at our disposal. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Tansey seconded by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, that a hearty vote of thanks be and is hereby tendered Grand President Fraser for the very able and satisfactory manner in which he has defended this Grand Council, carried out the instructions of the Hamilton Convention, and looked carefully after the interests of his Canadian brothers. Carried.

Moved by Mr. P. J. O'Keefe, seconded by Rev. M. J. Tiernan, that $5 be given the janitor of the hall. Carried.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Grand President.

Assessment No. 1.

The first assessment from the Grand Council of Canada has been issued. The money received therefrom will pay the beneficiaries of three deceased brothers, namely:

Joseph Stanton, Branch 133, St. John, N B., $1000, admitted Nov. 25, 1891, died Nov. 22, 1892, aged 23.

Wm. Bridgeman, Branch 149, La Salette, Ont., $2000, admitted Jan. 1, 1891, died Dec. 4, 1892, aged 21.

Patrick Flynn, Branch 1, Windsor, Ont., $2000, admitted Jan. 27, 1879, died Dec. 13, 1892, aged 59.

Grand Secretary's statement of the Beneficiary and Reserve Funds of the Grand Council to January 1, 1893.

The Grand Council will not hold any beneficiary money of its own until this assessment is collected. Beneficiary money from Assessments issued heretofore is the property of the Supreme Council.

RESERVE FUND.

Amount reported on No. 18, Supreme Council Assessment Notice	$26,045 56
Amount accrued since last report	706 59
Total	$26,752 15

The following latter from the Grand President accompanied the assessment notice:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—The Trustees of the Grand Council, together with several members of the Law Committee, met at Brockville on the 17th inst., and decided that in pursuance of its agreement with the Supreme Council, made at the last Convention of the latter body, it would immediately issue this, its first assessment notice, to cover all death claims for which it is responsible up to the 1st day of January inst. You will be pleased to learn from it that but one assessment is necessary, and that after these claims are paid a surplus will remain in the hands of your Treasurer. These are the only death claims for which the members of the Grand Council of Canada are liable up to date mentioned. It is most desirable that this assessment be promptly remitted to the Grand Council, so that claims may be paid without any unnecessary delay. In future all benefits will be paid, as far as possible, as soon as proofs of death are complete, thus avoiding the delay of sixty days which has heretofore been the practice.

The few members who have not already exchanged their old certificates for new ones should do so without further loss of time, so as to leave no doubt as to their standing.

At the same trustee meeting Brother J. E. H. Howison was appointed organizer for this association, and will in addition perform the duties of Assistant Secretary, having special charge of all correspondence in French. His present address is 14 Lacroix street, Montreal, and all members of the association seeking information and preferring to correspond in the French language will address him there. The general business of the association, particularly that involving matters of finance, will as heretofore be conducted with the Grand Secretary at London. The new constitution is in course of preparation and in a short time will, together with all blank forms, etc., be printed in both languages and distributed to such branches as may require them. Fraternally yours,

O. K. FRASER, Grand Pres.

An Important Matter.

ED. CATHOLIC RECORD—Your Lindsay correspondent draws attention to a live question in the C. M. B. A. The question of the excessive use of intoxicants is overlooked by many of our branches, to the injury of the members who indulge in them and the financial loss of the entire association. It is certainly my opinion that a certificate becomes void if the member dies from liquor. I am not sure but that the constitution obliges the branch to suspend or expel the offending member; certainly that should be the rule, if it is not the rule. The branches are too lax on this question. A word from the Grand President would be timely. By all means let us have the C. M. B. A. protected from this internal enemy. MEMBER.

Well-Deserved.

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees, held last week in Brockville, a vote of thanks was tendered the Grand President for the manner in which he has carried out the wishes of the Hamilton convention. This recognition of Brother Fraser's efforts was both timely and richly merited. He has worked assiduously in the building up of a strong association in Canada, dealing firmly but temperately and courteously with those who are engaged in the work of organizing what may justly be turned a rival society in Quebec Province, for the existence of which there is not any good and sufficient reason, and, moreover, the granting of powers to this organization to transact business independently of the Grand Council of Canada, is a plain violation of the agreement entered into at Montreal with the Supreme body.

Worthy of Imitation in Other Places.

The combined Branches of Toronto of the C. M. B. A. propose holding a grand concert under their auspices, and with the approbation of His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto, in the Pavilion, on Monday, 30th January, in aid of the new Catholic hospital in that city. The following artists will take part in the programme: Mrs. Mackelcan, of Hamilton, contralto; Mrs. Klein, soprano; Miss Marguerite Dunn, Elocutionist; Miss Sullivan, pianist; Mr. Frank Anglin, baritone; Mr. J. F. Kirk, tenor; Mr. W. E. Ramsey, humorist, and Geo. A. Fox, violinist. The concert is to be under the musical direction of Mr. F. H. Torrington, of the Toronto College of Music and under the distinguished patronage of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Kirkpatrick and His Worship Mayor Fleming. With such a list of talent and such a deserving object of charity, we feel confident that the public will heartily support the efforts of the members of the C. M. B. A. of Toronto in making this the grandest event of the season.

Encouraging.

It may now be claimed that the Grand Council of Canada has fairly started on its career of usefulness. The number of applications received for change of Supreme for Grand Council certificates approaches so nearly to the total membership in the Dominion that the extent of the disaffection in Montreal is scarcely worth taking into account. The first assessment is a single one, which is a good beginning for the new year. Under the old system our members would have been forced to pay out just double the amount of money. It would be unwise to make any prophecy as to the future; but, judging by the past, we may safely say there is every prospect that the burthen on the shoulders of our brothers in Canada will for the time to come be much lighter than it has been in the past. In months when we have but one or two deaths—and this occurs frequently—a considerable surplus will remain after the claims are paid; and this surplus will, it is reasonable to suppose, meet the requirements of an unusually heavy mortality which may occur in any particular month. What we should all do now is to stand shoulder to shoulder and work with energy and perseverance in the procurement of new members in every branch, and forming new branches wherever advisable.

Resolution of Condolence.

Brantford, Jan. 20, 1893.

At the last regular meeting of Branch 5, Brantford, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Moved by Brother Jas. T. Doyle, seconded by Brother A Savage, Whereas Almighty God has seen fit to afflict our Brothers, William and Thos Fleming, by taking to Himself from one a dearly beloved daughter, and from the other a dear sister, in the person of Sister Josephine, late of St. Joseph's Convent, Hamilton, a lady personally known to many members of this branch, and of St Basil's congregation, and justly esteemed and revered by all for her saintly piety, the bright example of charity and religious fervor she has set and the many good deeds she has left as monuments to her life of self sacrifice and devotion in the service of her Master. Be it

Resolved that this branch, in regular meeting assembled, extend to Brothers William and Thomas Fleming and the sorrowing family their heartfelt sympathy with them in the hour of their bereavement, and trust that the knowledge that she whom they mourn has entered into a better than this sorrowful world will enable them to bear with Christian fortitude the heavy cross placed upon them, and that they may be consoled by the hope of a glorious reunion hereafter.

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Brothers William and Thomas Fleming and to the official organs of the C. M. B. A.

Moved by Bro. Linon, seconded by Bro. Doyle,

Whereas it has been the will of our Heavenly Father, to which we all bow submissively, to visit Brother Comerford, in removing by the hand of the Angel of Death his kind and loving father, who, though not a member of our association, was well known by nearly every member of this Branch and justly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact for his noble and sterling qualities. Be it

Resolved that we tender to Bro. Camerford, and the afflicted family, our unspeakable sympathy with them in the great loss they have sustained. Words are poor and inadequate to express the sorrow and commiseration we feel, and which we believe is felt by all the members of St. Basil's congregation, of which Mr. Comerford was one of the oldest, as he has been one of the most faithful adherents. We trust that Divine consolation shall be extended to our bereaved Brother and family. Be it further

Resolved that we extend to our worthy Financial Secretary, Bro. Feeny, our sympathy in his loss, not only of a brother-in-law, but also of a kind and true friend whose death we also deeply mourn; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Brothers Comerford and Feeny, to the family of the deceased and to the official organs of the C. M. B. A.

WENDLIN SCHULER, Sec.

Election of Officers.

Branch 123, Calgary.

Chan. C B Rouleau, pres. J R Costigan, first vice pres. J W Costello, second vice pres. E H Rouleau, treas. S Feenan, rec. sec. J R Maquelon, asst. sec. A P Godin, fin. sec. N A Cloutier, mar. Wm. Carroll, guard P J Moran, trus. for two years M A McCormack, A P Godin and Jos. Harkley, for one year Jas. O'Brien and Jos. Walsh.

Branch 172, Collingwood.

Spir. adv. Rev. E J Kiernan, pres. W J Slean first vice-pres P J Stone, second vice-pres T Mulvihill, rec. sec J Corbett, asst sec. C Mickler, fin. sec D J Hanley, treas. M P Byrnes, mar. J Nolan, guard D J Calroon, trus. J J Lang, C Noble, J Guilfoyle, Dee and J Culhane.

Branch 154, Eganville.

Spir. adv. Rev. P S Dowdall, pres. John A Kitt, first vice-pres. Thos J Queally, second vice-pres. John H Potter, rec. sec John A Lacey, ass't sec. James Bonfield, fin. sec. Andrew Moran, treas. Fred Shrader, mars. Chas. Foy, guard Nicholas Bulger, trus P Furlong, Fred Shrader, M Foy, Wm George, R Dunn.

Branch 11, Dundas.

Spir. adv. Rev. J Heenan, V. G., chan. John Kirwin, pres. Th s Hickey, first vice-pres. Maurice Roberison, second vice-pres. Wm Barry, rec. sec Joseph Trant, ass't sec. Joseph Hourigan, fin. sec. Wm Lunn, treas. A S Cain, mar. Thos. Mahony, guard Timothy Cosgriff, trus. John Kerwin, W Lunn, Jas. Hourigan and Mathew Lahy.

Branch 79, Gananoque.

Spir. adv. Rev. J D O'Gorman, chan. M McParland, pres. J B Mooney, first vice-pres. J Donohue, second vice-pres D Byron, rec. sec I Roach, ass't sec. J Henesey, fin. sec. Wm Phillips, treas. T Philips, mar. J Lee, guard D. J Bishop, trus. M Donoghue. J Murphy, F Roland, L Lafronc, P Pealon.

Branch 78, Oshawa.

Spir. adv. Rev. N Jeffcott, pres. George O'oberts, first vice pres. M J O'Driscoll, second vice-pres. M Foley, treas. R Troy, rec. sec. C F Rinneard, sec. Thos McKettrick, mar Jas Dwyer, trus. Jas. Dwyer, Thos McKettrick, Chas. F Rinneard.

Branch 134, St. John, N. B.

Spir. adv. Rev. T Casey, pres. John L Carleton, first vice pres. Thomas Gorman, second vice pres. Thomas Kickham, rec. sec. John D Burns, asst rec. sec. M D Sweeney fin. sec. John F Gleeson, treas Michael Ryan, mar. J J Kane, guard James E O'Brien, trus. Michael Tole Thomas P Connor, John King, John McManus and Henry King.

Branch 148, Calumet Island.

Pres. Charles Barsalon, first vice pres C D Blondin, second vice-pres. Charles Trombley, treas. Cornelius McNally, rec. sec. Richard McNally, fin. sec. Paul McNally, guard Alex. Ricard, mar. John Marooney, spir. adv. Rev. Father Picotte.

Branch 70, Mildmay.

Pres. Geo. Herringer, first vice-pres Andrew Gissler, second vice-pres. Mathew Hoefling, rec. sec. Killian Weiler, ass't sec. John F Schmitt, treas. Chas Schurter, fin sec. Hy Keelan, mar. L A Hinsperger, guard Albert Breihler, trus. Andrew Gissler, A Kramer, Henry Maier, A Goetz and Hy Keelan.

Branch 9, Kingston.

Pres. R J Bowes, first vice pres. T J Leahy, second vice pres. M J O'Connor, B. A., rec. sec. E J O'Brien, ass't sec W Flanagan, fin sec J Farmer, treas. John Gleeson, mar. P Daley, guard H Doyle, trus. L O'Brien, T J Leahy, H Lacroix, Jas. Morris, P Daley.

Branch 131, North Sydney.

Pres. R F Phalen, first vice pres. Wm. Haggerty, second vice pres. W. Hulls, treas. Rev. D J McIntosh, fin. sec. James Desmond, rec sec. Jos. McDonald, mar. Hugh Gillis, guard J A Cunnie, trus. Jos. McPherson, Rev. J McIntosh and Wm. Haggerty, asst. sec. William Rogers.

Branch 72, Formosa.

Pres Peter Kuntz, first vice-pres. Gotfried Arnold, second vice pres. Jos. Kuntz, rec sec Theobald Kraemer, asst sec. Jos. J Fedy, fin. sec. Jos. Anstell, treas. John Schnurr, mar. N P Olheiser, guard Ignatz Uhrich.

Branch 122, Sandwich.

Spir. adv. Rev. J J M Aboulin, pres. L T Pare first vice-pres. Jos Lassaline, second vice pres. Odilon Desrosiers, rec. sec. Albert T Marcott ass. rec. sec. Jos. Luc. Ouellette, fin. sec. Eugene Dupuis, treas. C F Pequegnot, mar. Dominique Girard, guard, Cl. Guenot, trus. for one year Jules Robinet, Xavier Jenet and Albert J Marcotte, for two years Magdele Guindon and Henry Morand.

Branch 81, Smith's Falls.

Spir. adv. Rev. M J Stanton pres. John Meagher, first vice-pres. John Malloy, second vice-pres, M Ryan, rec. sec. Patrick Delaney, asst rec. sec. Oley Dunn, fin. sec T Cushing, treas. Jas. O'Reilly, mar. Patrick McNulty, guard Louis Rennett, chan. D F Wood, rep. to grand council D F Wood, alt. M Ryan, trus. for two years M Ryan and P Donegan, for one year D F Wood, John Malloy and John Meagher, med. ex. W J Anderson, M D.

Prince Malatesta, who took part in 1832 with Napoleon in the rising against the Pope in Romagna, has just died as a Trappist at Aiguebelle, at the age of eighty-six.

Mrs. G. M. Young, 1 Sully Street, Grove Street, Liverpool, Eng., writes that the contents of one bottle of St. Jacob's Oil cured her of lumbago after she had given up all hopes of ever being better.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Patrick Tiernan, Detroit.

We regret very much to be called upon to announce the death of Mr. Patrick Tiernan, of Detroit, in the fifty-eighth year of his age. The deceased was a brother of the Rev. M. J. Tiernan, rector of St. Peter's Cathedral, London. His death took place in St. Mary's Hospital, Detroit, where he was attended with all the delicate nursing and care for which the good nuns of that institution are noted. He had the happiness of dying a most edifying death, having received all the rites of the Church. Such an end was indeed to be expected, as during life he was always known to be most upright in all his dealings and a fervent and practical Catholic.

The funeral took place on Monday last, the remains being interred in Maidstone. Rev. Father Tiernan and many friends from a distance were present on the occasion. May his soul rest in peace.

Miss Maggie Bateman.

At Hamilton, on the 11th inst., Miss Maggie, daughter of Mr. P. S. Bateman, died after a long and painful illness, which she bore with patience and resignation to the Divine will. The funeral, which took place on Tuesday morning, was largely attended. There was a solemn Requiem Mass celebrated in St. Patrick's church by Rev. Chancellor Craven, at which the young ladies of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary attended in a body. The deceased was a valued member of the society. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Jas. Turner, Hugh C. Sweeney W. H. Lovering, Nicholas Bucke, Thos. Fitzpatrick and Chas. Smith. The floral tribute with which the casket was covered were many, as well as beautiful. The sorrowing friends have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement. N. S.

A. O. H.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 17, 1893.

TO THE ED OF THE CATHOLIC RECORD, LONDON—DEAR SIR—I take pleasure of informing the friends of our order and the public that our order is in a good, sound healthy condition, and that we are now registered for the transaction of a legal business, as the enclosed copy of certificate will vouch. As our order is making great progress in this Province, any information any body of Irishmen or of Irish descent may desire for the object of forming a division will be freely given, and constitutions will be supplied by any of the provincial officers—John Carry, P. D., Hamilton; Michael Guerin, P. T., Stratford, and John McGarry, R. Sec., 18 Markham Place, Toronto.

Yours truly, J. MCGARRY, Rec. Sec.

COPY OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.

No. 43.

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE.

INTERIM—ONTARIO—INTERIM.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY AS FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Whereas, by application of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Ontario, made pursuant to the Insurance Corporations Act, 1892, it has been made to appear to the undersigned the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the Province of Ontario, that applicant is entitled to registry as a friendly Society. Now, therefore, this is to certify that the said Friendly Society is accordingly registered for the transaction of insurance against sickness and death in the Province of Ontario, for the term beginning on the 22nd day of December, 1892, and ending on the first day of June, 1893, subject to the provisions of the aforesaid act.

Entered on Friendly Society register No. 43, Folio 5.

(Signed) J. HOWARD HUNTER, Registrar of Friendly Societies.
(Signed) WILL J. VALE, Entry Clerk (seal) Registry Officer,

CHARITY SERMON.

On Sunday evening a charity sermon will be preached by Rev. Father Brennan, C.S.B., of Toronto, in St. Peter's Cathedral, in this city, on which occasion a collection will be taken up in aid of the charitable work carried on by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. A grand musical Vespers will also be rendered on the occasion. We hope a very large congregation will be present and contribute liberally toward the most praiseworthy work carried on by the excellent society we have named.

E. B. A.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected for 1893:

St. Patrick's Branch, No. 7, Toronto.

Chaplain, Rev. Father Coyle; President, S J Black; Vice Pres., Mathew Madden; Rec. Sec., Martin Madden; Fin. Sec. S Mullard; Treas., D A Carey; Mar., John Keating; Asst. Mar., L Roy; Urds, M J Tierney, M L O'Neill; Msg., T Richardson; Insur. Sec., S Mullard; Delg. to G B Conv., M J Tierney, S J Black; Ext. Com., S J Black, Martin Madden, M J Hayes, T O'Reilly, W J Hogan.

St. Paul's Branch, No. 8, Toronto.

Chap., Rev. Father Hand; Pres., P Hurley; Vice-Pres., P Smith; Rec. Sec., J Cleary; Fin. Sec., A McDonald; Treas., C Burns; Mar., B McGuffin, Asst. Mar., A McMullen; Stards, J O'Neil, E Hurley; Msg., J Judge Libr., J Leston, J Shanahan; Insur. Sec., A McDonald.

St. Peter's Branch, No. 23, London.

Pres., T Gould; Vice-Pres., J Tierney; Rec. Sec., M Quirk; Fin. Sec., P Mohan; Treas J B Henry; Mar., F Kenny; Asst. Mar., M Delaney; Stard, H Johnson, W McGowan; Msr., M Twohey; Libr. W Hickey; Asst. Libr., W Murphy; Insur. ec., T Gould; Delg. to B Conv., J Tierney; Ext. Com., W Hickey, T Burke, J Pumphrey, W McGowan, H Johnson, D Donohue. W. LANE, G. S. T.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

At the meeting of the Separate School Board, Brantford, held on Wednesday, Jan. 18, the following resolution was carried unanimously, on motion of Mr. McGregor, seconded by Mr. Powers:

Resolved, that having heard of the loss sustained by Mr William Fleming, of this Board, in the recent death, at St. Joseph's Convent in Hamilton, of his eldest daughter, known in religion as Sister Josephine, the members desire to extend to him and his family their sincere sympathy; and also to place upon record an expression of appreciation of the virtues and sterling qualities displayed by her whose young life was devoted to charity and the advancement of the cause of Catholic education.

And that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board, and that a copy be sent to the family, and to the CATHOLIC RECORD for publication. JOHN RYAN, Sec.

MARRIAGE.

WRIGHTON—KIDD.

On Wednesday, the 18th of January, at St. Peter's Church, Goderich, by the Rev. Father West, Mr. H. Wrighton, Commission Merchant of Chicago, Ill., was married to Miss Cecilia Josephine (Terna) Kidd, of Sioux City, Iowa, the ninth daughter of the late Joseph Kidd, of Dublin, Ont. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Joseph Kidd, was attired in her travelling costume of terra cotta and drab *mat lise* and mink trimmings, with hat to match, and wore diamonds (the gift of the bridegroom). She carried a handsome bouquet of choice *la France* roses. The bridesmaid was Miss Tessie Kidd, of Sioux City, Iowa, sister of the bride. Her costume consisted of an Empire gown, fawn and red changeable silk, red velvet trimmings with large hat of red and pink roses. She wore a diamond ring (the gift of the bridegroom), and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groomsman was Mr. O'Heir, of Chicago, Ill. A formal reception was held at her brother's residence, North street, and later in the afternoon the happy couple left for New York, *en route* for an extended southern tour. The presents were valuable and varied.

Address and Presentation.

Miss M. Morissey, organist, of Forest, was, on Tuesday, 17th inst., presented with a purse, in gratitude for her services, and the following address, which was read by Mr. Ed. O'Donnell, and signed by Misses J. Meloch and M Madden, on behalf of the congregation. After the presentation a very enjoyable evening was spent in music and singing:—

To Miss M. Morissey—Dear Friend—We are assembled here this evening to tender you our sincere thanks for your valuable services for some time past as organist and choir leader in our church. Although your services were freely given, you were always faithful and willing to perform your part. We desire to show our appreciation of your efforts, and on behalf of the congregation of Forest and vicinity, wish you to accept this purse as a slight token of our gratitude.

IRISH AFFAIRS.

James Francis Egan, convicted of participation at Birmingham in 1884 in an Irish dynamite plot and sentenced to twenty years penal servitude, was released from Portland prison by order of Home Secretary Asquith, on the ground of ill-health. The extra editions of Dublin evening newspapers containing the release of Egan had an enormous sale. The general opinion is expressed that this action of the Government is but a prelude to further clemency toward the Irishmen convicted of participation in dynamite plots and conspiracies. Egan owes his release from Portland prison to the persistent efforts of Mr. Redmond, the leader of the Parnellites.

All the party leaders have issued whips exhorting their followers to be unremitting in their attendance to their Parliamentary duties during the coming session. Lord Salisbury and Balfour emphasize the statement that it is of the utmost importance for every Unionist to be in his place early and constantly, as the Home Rule Bill will be introduced shortly after the opening, and heavy and hot debates are to be expected from the beginning.

At a prolonged Cabinet meeting the Minister discussed the legal aspects of the Home Rule Bill. Sir Charles Russell, Attorney-General, and Lord Herchel, Lord High Chancellor, who previously had not attended the Cabinet meeting, were present and gave their opinions at length.

Mr. Gladstone has received hundreds of letters in the past few days and hundreds of callers making inquiries as to the state of his health. The reports that he is failing have caused great solicitude and some alarm among his personal friends and the advocates of Home Rule. To dispel all doubts he walks and drives frequently in the parks, besides sending out occasional denials that he is feeling less strong and energetic than formerly. There is general apprehension among Liberal Englishmen that the Prime Minister is not so well as he and his friends would make the world believe. It is impossible to verify these apprehensions, as Mr. Gladstone is very closely guarded by his family and nearest friends, and only personal or political intimates are able to gain access to him.

At the close of the Liberal Federation Home Secretary Asquith announced that the plan of Home Rule for Ireland would be on large Liberal lines. Ireland would obtain general autonomy, although ultimate ascendancy of Imperial Parliament would effectually be maintained.

SUCCESSEUL ENTERTAINMENT.

A large and highly appreciative audience greeted the boys of the Brockville Catholic Separate school on the 20th inst., in their first effort in the line of literary and musical entertainments. The large assembly hall of the new Separate school was filled to overflowing, while many, being unable to find seats, were forced to stand. On the platform were the Very Rev. Vicar-General Gauthier, Rev. Father Collins, the Rev. Sisters of Notre Dame Convent and the members of the School Board.

The hall was beautifully decorated with flags and banners of Britain, Canada, Ireland, Scotland, England, France and the United States, while lights of every color sparkled from the ceiling of the room, giving to the whole scene an appearance both beautiful and picturesque.

The programme consisted of selections of a high order of merit from the leading authors of the day, both literary and musical, while the rendition of the same by the pupils was both graceful and pleasing.

Miss Rosalie McGreevy a talented and rising young lady pianist of Brockville presided at the piano, and the hearty and continuous applause of the audience showed that her talents were recognized. The boys ranged in age from five to fourteen years, and as each youthful performer came to the front and delivered his part, it was evident at once to every observer that careful training had been devoted to their preparation for this entertainment.

One of the leading features of the performance was fine club swinging by twelve young athletes of the school, and took the audience by storm, while the rendition of a dialogue called the "Trades," by twelve very small boys, showed what careful attention can accomplish.

An orchestra, composed of four young musicians from the school, rendered in very effective style, one of Prof. Fulford's latest musical compositions, while the recitations of "The Boatblack," "The Blacksmith," "The Boy," and "The Scholar" were received with rapture.

Five comic farces entitled respectively "The Black Eye," "The Schoolmaster," "The Critics," "The Opening Speech," and "Courting by Proxy" convulsed the audience with laughter, while the kindergarten songs of "The New Moon," "The Fairy Queen," "The Brown Thrush" and "The Cobblers," accompanied with suitable movements, presented a very novel and picturesque appearance. The choruses of "Christmas" and "Cousin Jedediah," by the larger pupils, were also warmly received.

At the end of the performance Mr. J. J. Noonan, the principal of the school, thanked the audience heartily for their kind appreciation and encouragement given to the boys in their first efforts in the musical sphere, after which the national anthem was sung and the performance closed.

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