Branch No. 4, London,

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to an the find and the Thursday of menth, at 8 o'clock, at their hall, lon Block, Richmond street. P. F. 9, Fresident; Wm. Corcoran, Rec.

C. M. B. A.

C. M. B: A. Directory. Brother Finn, of Montreal, intends pub-lighting a C. M. B. A. Directory about the 15th of June. Branches which have not siredy mombership immediately. Address T. J. Finn, Gazette Office, Montreal.

The Beneficiary Dispute.

The following statement appeared in his month's issue of the C. M. B. A Jour

sent the Grand Council of Uanada at the convention in Toronto, in 1888, by our Grand Spiritual Adviser, His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto, speaks for itself: "The duties of your Grand Secretary have become so onerous that it is abso-lutely necessary to have him devote his whole time to the work of said office; and as Mr. Becom has our confidence. this month's issue of the ral of Montreal : "Statement of Beneficiary received and "Statement of the Grand Council of the ground of the Grand Council disbursed on account of the Grand Council of Canada during the following years :

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Supreme Recorder

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wisely in adopting your committee's report." To show our C. M. B. A. brothers, both in the United States and Canada, how much reliance can be placed on anything appearing in the Weekly regarding C. M B. A. affairs in Canada, we positively assert that the beneficiary statement that appeared in the C M B. A. Weekly, herein referred to is not correct, and it is evident that this false statement was published for no other object than to prejudice the minds of the C. M. B. A. members in Canada against separate beneficiary by endeavoring to show that Canada did not pay as much beneficiary money to the Supreme Council as the Grand Oouncil of Canada states was publ. If the Supreme Recorder." The same statement speared in the C. M. B A. Weekly of Detroit, April 15, with the following heading, but without the signature of the Supreme Recorder: "The following is a correct statement of the amount of beneficiary paid to Supreme Recorder C. J. Hickey by the Grand Recorder C. J Hickey by the Grand Secretary of Canada since the organiza-tion of the Grand Council; and the smount of beneficiary claims paid by the Supreme Council on account of deaths of members in the jurisdiction of the Grand Council of Canada for the same period. It is a copy of the official accounts kept in the office of the Supreme Recorder and is abso hitch correct." to the Supreme Council as the trans Oouncil of Canada states was paid. If the Supreme Recorder assumes the responsi-bility for this statement he is certainly in a bad position: However, we can hardly believe Brother Hickey would be guilty of office of the lutely correct. In our issue of 25th April we made the

believe Brother Hickey would be guilty of such work, and hope before our next issue that he will exonerate himself. If the statement is a correct copy of his books, then the sooner Canada separates from the Supreme Council the better ; and if the statement is not a correct copy, then why following remark : "We wish to ask the editor of the Weekly if he can procure the certificate of the Supreme Recorder showstatement is not a correct copy, then why did be furnish a false financial statement certificate of the Supreme Reco ing that the figures given are reliable. The statement is made that they are abso to the press ? Our Canadian membership to the press ; Our Canada memorrary cannot and will not remain connected with men that will stoop to such low tactics. We are in a position to prove what we state, and this matter must be The statement is made that they are abso-lutely correct, but it would be more business like were we given the name of the Supreme Recorder .n support of the asser-tion. Will our friend of the Weekly oblige Canada members by taking the trouble to do this it? It remains to be even." cleared up.

seen.' Instead of doing this, the Weekly, in its DEAR SIR AND BRO.-In your issue of May 16th, which has just reached me, some remarks are made concerning my.

instead of doing this, the Weekly, in its issue of April 20th, answers in the follow-ing very unsatisfactory manner: "We purposely abstain from comment-ing upon the doubts and insinuations thrown upon our statement of the bene-ficiary account of Change, by the Count self which are so far away from the actual facts that they call for a reply. I had indeed intimated to Dr. MacOabe ficiary account of Ganada, by the CATHO-LIC RECORD, of London, Ont. The truth can afford to await its vindication, when that in the discussion of any differences between Canada and the United States it would not be necessary for me to take a part. This resolution I would have strictly adhered to were it not that an can afford to await its vindication, when the RECORD has disproven our statement, which it questions, we will publish our sathority which is genuins. When the Week'y assures its readers that its figures injustice has been done me by your editorial comments hereinafter quoted. Week's matter is reacting the induces are absolutely correct, it knows they are." Our reporter then interviewed the Grand Secretary of Canada regarding the matter. That interview was published in our issue of May 2nd. We reproduce the You write as follows : " Since the law was You write as follows: "Since the law was changed and all offices made elective two Canadians have been permitted to occupy places on committees, having had, however, to qualify at Niagara Falls by proclaiming unfriendliness towards the Grand Council of Canada. part beering on this statement :

Rep -Did you see the financial state. Now, Mr. Editor, I cannot hope that all Canadian members have a copy of or have read the minutes of the last ment in the C. M. B A. Week'y showing the amount of beneficiary money paid the supreme Council by Canada, and the amount paid back to Canada, since the formation of your council ? Grand Sec.-I did.

Rep.-Do you think that statement as furnished by the Supreme Recorder? Grand Sec.-I am inclined to think it was not, as it is not correct ; and Brother Hickey would not be so foolish as to send a false financial statement to the press.

Rep.-You say it is not correct? Grand Sec --Certainly I do. There is an error of nearly \$5,000 in the first item alone; and an error of about \$8,000 in another item.

Rep. - Have you proof of what you stata ?

Editor, at the Montreal convention aspired to and was elected a member of the same committee in said council. You will observe that in this communication I have not touched our members, both clerical and lay, in Oanada. It is well known that a more highly qualified, competent, and upright officer than Grand Socretary Brown cannot be found in the C. M. B. A. ranks. cannot be found in the C. M. B. A. Innex-lt is, too, well known that be never sought office in the C. M. B. A. When Branch No. 4, Lordon, was organized, he was unanimously elected President. When the Grand Council of Canada was organizad the Grand Secretaryship was forced on him ; and at every convention of the Grand Council of Canada he was elected Grand Secretary by acclamation. The following quotation from a letter sent the Grand Council of Oanada at the

and as Mr. Brown has our confidence

has given entire satisfaction, can give ample security, and is well adapted for

the position, your council would act wisely in adopting your committee's

Letter from Bro. O'Meara.

Ottawa, May 16, 1891.

ommunication I have not touched on the merits of the questions at issue between the two councils. I desire to keep my judgment free and untram-meled so that when the time comes I may be able to cast my vote in a proper manner after having duly weighed all the arguments on both sides. I have confided myself to answering the reflection made upon me, because, as I said at the commencement of this letter, I would not trouble you at all did I not consider that your remarks (unin tentionally I hope) do me an injustice. By inserting this in your next issue you will confer a favor on you will confer a favor on

Yours frateroally, JOHN O'MEABA, of Peterborough.

Brother Q'Meara's Letter.

We give place this week to a letter from Brother O'Mears, intended as from Brother O'Mears, intended as a reply to our editorial remarks of last week concerning the actions of certain members of the Supreme Council from Canada. We would not like to do any injustice to Brother O Meara or to his colleague to whom reference was made, and no one will be more willing than we to give them the fullest opportunity of

We will not deny Bro. O'Mears full credit for all he did in our favor at the last Supreme Council meeting, but the following extract from the minutes will, we think, serve to prove that our stric

notioning extract from the minutes will, we think, serve to prove that our stric three were justified: Moved by Rev. Father Baart that the re-port of the Committee of the whole be adopted except so far as the same relates to the Reserve Fund article. Amended by Representative Finn that the same be adopted, except so far as it re-letes to the Separate Beneficiary Fund Article, the Reserve Fund Article sand the custody of the medical certificates. The amendment was accepted. Movied by Rev. P. A. Baart that the report of the Committee of the whole be adopted as to the striking out of the law relating to the separate beneficiary jurisdiction. On that question the ayee and nays were called for by Representative Finn with the following result: Ayee, Drescher, Friedman, Hickey, Weish, Valentine, Buiger, MoGarry, Rev. P. A. Baart, Franklin, Randei, Hynes, Bertrand, Fianigan, Schweiert, Fitzgraid, Whalea, Huges, Clark, McManue, Brenan, Breea, Hurthart, Bonnot, Lindesmith, Duffin-Total, 25. Nays, Rev. J. P. Molphy, Finn, Campean Total 3

Nays, Rev. J. P. Molphy, Finn, Campeau. Total 3 Motion declared adopted by First Vice-President Friedman. Moved by Rev. P. A. Baart that the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted as to the portion relating to the custodian-ship of the medical certificates. Representative Finn demanded a roll call on the adoption of said motion, with the following result: Ayes, Drescher, Friedman, Hickey, Welsh, Geyer, Valentin, Buiger, McGarry, Rev. P. A. Baart, Franklin, Randet, Bertrand, O'Mears, Fianigan, O'Bries, Schweigert, Fitzgerald, Whalen, Huges, Chark, Mc Manus, Brennan, Breen, Burkhatt, Cam-pean, Ronnot, Lindesmith, Duffn, Hynes.

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Nave, Rev. J. P. Molphy, T. J. Finn. Total 2. Moved by Rev. P. A. Baart that the report of the Committee of the Whole, as to the mendments to the Reserve Fund Article be adopted except so far as the same relates to the amendments to section 7, of said article, which have already been adopted unanimously. Representative Finn demanded aroll call on the question, with the following result: Asse, Dresoher, Hickey, Welsu, Geyer, Buker, McGarry, Rev. P. A. Baart, Frank in, Randel, Hynes, Bertrand, Flanigan, Bohweigert, Filzgreid, Whalen, Clark, Bronnan, Breen, Burkhart, Bonnet, Linde-mith, Duffo. Total 27. Nays, Friedman, Valentine, O'Meara, O'Brier, Huges, McManus, Rey. J. P. Molphy, Finn, Campeau Total 9. First Vice-President Friedman declared the motion lost, not having received a unanimous vote; the same is referred tack for the consideration of Grand Coupells. At the consuderation of Grand couples.

have read the minutes of the last Supreme Council, but it is probable that this week's RECORD, containing as it does Dr. MacCabe's circular, will be brought to the notice of almost every Canadian member. As I am one of the Canadians referred to I would ask you if my action as a member of the Committee on L was At the convention in Cleveland and At previous meetings of the supreme body Canadians who opposed separate beneficiary for their jurisdiction had some ground for their action because of in recording my protest against the striking out of "the separate beneficiary Canada's weakness in point of member. ship, but this argument, in view of Can ada's present standing as to numbers, clause" was an act of unfriendliness towards the Canadian Grand Council? and in view of the almost unanimous vote of Canada's Grand Council requesting I would ask if my remonstrances against Supreme President's ruling that such striking out required only a two-third instead of a unanimous vote was un-friendly? Was my protest and report separate beneficiary, had no force what ever at Niagara Falls. Why, then, it may be asked, did two Canadians refuse a help ing hand to their own Grand Council in time of need ? To us it seems that their in the amendment to the reserve course way indeed a most unfriendly one. Brother O'Meara states that at the Cleveland convention Canadians canvassed an voted against him, and in this way his election was secured by a small majority. of the law committee, and in spite of the earnest efforts of the Supreme We sincerely believe that Brother O'Meara Legal Adviser to secure its insertion in is entirely mistaken in holding this view. the constitution, an unfriendly act towards Canada Grand Council? Every The writer of this article was present on that occasion and canvassed and voted for him, and feels convinced that the other one of the Canadian representatives will testify that in my speeches and Canadians acted in like manner. Brother workings at the Supreme Council I showed my friendly feelings towards Canada, and never by word or act pro-O'Meara, we feel assured, has been misinformed. We give place this week to a letter from Grand Chancellor Rev. P. Molphy, written claimed "unfriendlines," as alleged. It is said the Supreme Council "permitted" me forsooth ! to occupy a place on one of the committees. At Niagara Falls I was elected unanimously, and without shortly after the convention, which will, we think, prove conclusively that our remarks in last week's issue on Supreme Council methods were fully justified. It would have been published before were it not was elected unanimously, and without having solicited a singe vote. The gentleman who proposed me, the Rov. Father Baart, was good enough to say in so doing that my services on such com-mittee merited such recognition. Surely I displayed no unfriendliness towards Canada at the Cleveland convention 1 Lada at the Cleveland convention 2 that we were hoping against hope that some amicable settlement would be effected. In justice to ourselves, too, we deem it necessary to give it to the mem-bership at this date, as it will be found orsement of our remarks in last an ei I had a hard fight there to get the posi-tion I now hold. Mr. Lambing, of Penn-sylvania, who was then on the Law Com-mittee, was my opponent, and I have no hesitation in asying that, so far as I was week's issue. To the Grand Fresident and Board of Trustees of the Grand Council of Canada of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association : GENTLEMEN-Having been one of the representatives of the Canadian Grand concerned, the contest was fought on its merits, and not on the question of nation-ality. I am ashamed to say that certain parties (Canadian:) who now pose as the advocates of Canadian interests, both canouncil, deputed to attend the convention of the Supreme Council of the C. M. B. A., which was held at Niagara Falls, in the vassed and voted against me, doing their State of New York, on the 14th, 15th and vassed and voted against me, otherwise the contest might not have been quite so close as you mentioned in your editorial. Again, you make a very amusing remark when you say. "the same two Canadian brothers 16th of the present month, Ost., 1890, 1 may be permitted to make some remarks upon the proceedings of the Supreme Council and on the share which the representatives of the Canada Grand Council had therein. I take this course in order I was under the impression I was very near "the head." You seem to take a widely different view of the duties of a that members of the association may be informed with as little delay as p aible on a matter of so grave importance to member of the law committee from that them. The regular representatives of the Canadian Grand Council who were present at the Supreme Council convention were wrapporeme Recorder, with his name a notio is branded as false, what can we call socierelation to other questions that if they calefined as accurately as figures. wrapper as publish do not suit the pur-the pastebo Canadian cflice seekers and society wom' All this isndeed be difficult to find how if the 9 unjustifiable, or further ... It is, too, insulting to

the Canadian Grand Board of Trustees and the Supreme Board of Trustees. These differences had reference to two

First: To the establishment of First: To the establishment of a separate beneficiary in Canada, and secondly, in regard to the custody of the medical certificates. A third point was raised at the late Supreme Convention in reference to the proprietorship of the reserve fund—a matter which equally, with the subjects above referred to, affects the interests of Canadian mem-hera.

It has been long the wish of the Canad It has been long the wish of the Canada Grand Council to establish a separate beneficiary in accordance with section 15 of the beneficiary fund article of the constitution. The Supreme Council has settled this question by striking out of the constitution section 15 altogether, so that it shall be no longer possible for Canada to petition for a separate beneficiary under the constitution, nor can it be granted unless by special provision made for Canada by the Supreme Council. I am hanny to be ship to cany that the

for Canada by the Supreme Council. I am happy to be able to say that the three representatives from Canada voted on this point in accordance with the wishes of the Canada Grand Council. The two Canadian members of the Supreme Council refused to exercise their franchise, and abstained from voting. It might annear from this that election to an fractise, and abstance from voting. In might appear from this that election to an office in the Supreme Council has the effect of causing members from Canada to cease to have at heart the expressed wishes f their own Grand Council. The 1st section of the 17th article of the

of the supreme constitution expresses that no new law or amendment shall be passed by the Supreme Council except by a unanimous vote, unless the Grand Coun-clis and their branches shall have duly considered the matter ; but when this objection was brought against the course of procedure which was adopted it was ruled that the striking out of a section is not an amendment, and that the council had full authority to make such alteration by a two thirds vote without referring the matter for consideration. In regard to the medical certificates it

was formerly the custom of the associa-tion, at least in Canada, that they should remain in the custody of the Grand Secre-tary. In view of the fact that the Canada Grand Council is an incorporated body and that we are at any time liable to have the business of the association inspected by Government officere, it is highly important to Canadians that this provision should have remained unchauged, but on the publication of the Rivised Constitu-tion, in 1888, the Canadian representatives to the Supreme Council of that year were much surprised to find that a clause was much surprised to find that a clause was introduced which gave to the Supreme Recorder the custody of these important documents. The Canadian represents tives on the Supreme Council maintained that there was no such change made in the constitution by the Supreme Council, that there was no such change made in the constitution by the Supreme Council, which met at Cleveland, Ohio, in Sept. 1888, and the Canadian executive officers refused to be governed by a clause which they believed, and still believe, to which they believed, and still believe, to have been surreptitiously introduced. The last convention of the Supreme Council, however, has legislated on this matter, and has adopted the clause as changed and it now stands as the law of the association. The history of the dispute, which took place between the executive suthorities of

place between the executive suthorities of the Supreme and Canadian Grand Coun-cils, need not be repeated here, as it is well known. I will, however, state that at the recent Supreme Council Convention two representatives, namely, Mr. Finn and myself, voted regime the change in the law, the third representative, Mr. Cam-peau, and the two members from Canada, who were present as officers of the Supreme Council, voted for it, as, I believe, against the interests and wheles of the Canadian Grand Council.

Council, voted for it, as, i believe, sgainst the interests and wishes of the Canadian Grand Council. The third point on which the Supreme Council has offared legislation, as, i believe, injurious to Canadian interests, is on the question of the reserve fund. This fund has been hitherto the property of the several Grand Councils, but, by a change cffared at the suggestion of Supreme Legal Adviser, Mr. Keena, of Detroit, it will become the property of the Supreme Council. This

eight hundred smaller. Yet no Canadian stative has been elected to any

Mesers. O'Mears and O'Brien have been Mesers. O'Mears and O'Brien have been re elected, the former as a member of the Onumittee on Luws, the latter as Supreme Trustee. Mr. Finn, an old and honored representative and one who has labored hard for the advancement of the associa-tion, was proposed for the First Vice Presidency, but was rejected by a most decisive vote, and the honor was given to the representative from Michigan. That this was pre arranged in order to minimize the infurnes of Canada was evident from the influence of Canada was evident from

the fact that an efficer of the Sapreme Council asked me for what office I desired Council asked me for what once I desired to be elected, and upon my telling bin that I desired none, but that I wished for Mr. F.on the F.rst Vice Presidency, he stated that Causda could not get the

The Canadan representatives had decided that they would ask for nothing further for the representatives than Mr. Finn's election to this office, and it was thought that Canada was suitiled to such a recordium, as below the second Grand inought that Canada was entitled to such a recognition, as being the second Grand Council in the association. Mr. Finn being defeated, however, Mr. Cimpou was nominated as Guard ('r Marshal). only to meet a similar fate. Being myself only to meet a similar rate. Being myself the only other Canadian representative not yet sacrificed. I was especially asked by Mr. Finn to allow myself to be nominated for the trusteeship in order that the spirit

of the convention towards the Canadian representatives might be thoroughly tested. I acceded to the request, and was defeated I should add that Mr. Finn Was offered

a minor office, but he very properly refused to accept it. Such was the treatment given to the three Canadian representatives, and I feel assured that every Canadian member of the association will feel indignant at it.

It remains for them to decide what action they will take in consequence. It is evident to me that our representatives are to be treated with discourtesy (a stronger word would be justifiable) in the Supreme Council of the association, and all our requests to be disregarded, though ociation, and

we have sent from Canada more than \$30 000 for the beneficiary fund in excess of what we haved received from the same source, to say nothing of the large sum we have paid to the Supreme Council for

per capita tax, etc. The mejority of the Supreme Council evidently do not care for the Canadians, and I for one have decided that I shall never again subject myself to the danger of the same discourtesy that we all alike

encountered. New York has nine elective officers in the Supreme Council ; Michigan, which is much smailer in number of branches and membership than Oanada, has five; Pensylvania, two; Ohio, two; while

Canada has only two. In the above letter I have adhered to the facts as far as known. If I have done any injustice to any person I shall be happy to correct it. JOSEPH P. MOLPHY.

New Branch.

New Branch. District Deputy Mr. F. R. Latchford, rasisted by Grand President MacCabs and District Deputy Mr. Lassaile Gravelle, organized Branch No. 159 in Ottawa on 13th inst. The following is the list of officers : spiritual Adv., Rev. A Paliler, D D, O M I President, John P McCartby First Vice-President, T J Richardson Heoond Vice-President, T J Richardson Heoond Vice-President, Wm. Wall Recording Sec., Patrick T Connolly Assistant Becretary, Daniel O'Leary Financial Secretary, Alfred T Gow Traster, John C Cooney Marsbal, Charles Dielz Guard, John Foran Trustees, J P McCartby, Charles McMor-row, Peter Connolly, John B Lynch and Redmond Quain.

Letter from Branch 84.



SOAP.

The "Surprise" way

ON WASH DAY.

MAY 23, 1891.

(Branch Stal) Fraternally yours, Branch Stal) BRANCH St, Montreal

Anniversary of Branch 130.

(Branch Seal) ERANON Si, Montreal, Anniversary of Branch 130. Bathurst, N. B., May 15, 1891. To the Editor of the Catholic Record: DEAR SIR - A few lines from northern New Brunswick concerning the anniversary of the Banner Branch of the Maritime Prov-inces, would, I thought, interest our Brothe s, as well as many others of your numerons readers. Sacred Heart Branch, No 130, C. M. E. A., Bathurst, was organized on Faturday, May U, 1800 by District Dynury T. F. Tanney, Leing the first Branch in the Maritime Provinces. We numbered at the outlest twenty one members, and the membership hesgradually increased the present number on the routieth hirty first. At the lest regalar meeting it was resolved that as the anni-versary fell upon Bunday a High Mass should be celebrated on Monday moring. Hith inst., at which as many as could work of hesgradually increased the church of the Sacred Heart France and ellebing favor-able comments from those who viewed the procession. Mass was and slight have advineer, Rev. Those, F. Barry, and after Com-munitor the Rev. Dr. Rogers, Bishop of Chatham, addressed the members in a few bird but inpressive and encluding thru a stacked by our divide past of hes regions of Chatham, addressed the members in a few words, and that bar found thin great becast and that bar found the members in a few words. He began by which for the same and also that he was deligt bird fract no may in the began by which bar quets and also that he was deligt bird for the same and a site the comply with the squares and also that he was deligt bird hes quets and also that he was deligt bird hes quets and also that he was deligt bird hes quets and also that he was deligt bird hest quets and also that he was deligt bird hest and also that the core M. B. A. In Bathurst gives appre-tunity. He reference and also de-same and the same and bird works and said that the core M. B. A. In Bathurst gives appre-tues which reference and bird accord said that the core M. B. A. In Bathurst gives appre-tues and the same and

That the branch was honored beyond measure by the pressnoe and kindly words of our venerated Bishop was more than est-dent from the manner in which all the members expressed their satisfaction at the ublocked-tor happy discourse of His Lord-

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Resolutions of Condolence.

Gaulet, be Gaulet, be it. Resolved, That we, the members of Branch

79, do hereby tender our heartfelt sympathy to Brother Gaulet in this the hour of his ex-tremely sad hereavement. Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be given to Brother Gaulet and published in

Brother Gaulet and published in IC RECOSD. РЕТЕК О. HEARE, President, J. B. MCONEY, Rec. Sec. be given to I the CATHOL

BIRCH. At 170 Nicholas street, Ottawa on the 15th Instant, the wife of Mr. P. J. Coffey, of a son.

MRESSES. C. C. RICHARDS & Co.

GENTS, -Having used MINARD'S LINI-MENT for several years in my stable, I attest to its being the best thing I know of for horse flesh. In the family, we have used it for every purpose that a liniment is adapted for, it being recommended to us by the late Dr. J. L. R. Webster. Personally I find it the best allayer of neuralgic pain I have ever used.

B. TITUS, Proprietor Yarmouth Livery Stable.

Grand Sec.-I never make such state. Grand Sec. — I never make such state-ments without being perfectly sure I can prove them. Rep. — How much more beneficiary money has been paid by the Grand Coun

money has been paid by the Grand Coun-ctl of Canada to the Supreme Council than has been paid back to Canada from the date of the organization of the Grand Council of Canada to the present?

Grand Sec-About \$31,000. Rep.-Since the formation of your Grand Council, how many death benefic

Jarles in Canada has the Supreme Council paid up to this date, April 28th. Grand Sec.—The beneficiaries of 185 deceased members in Canada, of whom 170 had \$2,000 certificates and 15 had \$1 000 certificates.

\$1 000 certificates. Rep.—Are there any beneficiaries in your jurisdiction unpaid at this date? Grand Sec—Yes: the beneficiaries of seven members who died recently. Time

for payment has not yet expired. We would call the attention of our readers to the fact that at the date of the above interview the statement referred to had not appeared in the C. M. B. A. Jour

nal of Montreal, and the editor of the Weekly, of Detroit, had not acknowledged that be received the statement for publica-tion from Supreme Recorder Hickey; and as the Grand Secretary of Canada knew and could prove that beneficiary statement to be not correct, and baving a great regard and fraternal feel-ing for the Supreme Recorder, he, in answer to our reporter's question, "Do think that statement was furnished you by the Supreme Recorder," said, "I am inclined to think it was not, as it is not

correct, and Brother Hickey would not be so foolish as to send a faise statement to soy, "the same two Canadian brother Nothwithstanding this, the editor of the still hold places at the foot of the class," the press.'

Weekly, in his issue of 14th inst., says : "Grand Secretary Brown only 'thinks,' perhaps he knows they are correct, but it m members in Canada. If the publi-man of a statement directly from heard such office alluded to time and wrappprems Recorder, with bis name again, both in the Grand and the and m members in Canada. If the publiwrapppreme Recorder, with his name a notio is branded as false, what can we call socierelation to other questions that if they calefined as accurately as figures. wrapper as publish do not snit the new.

of Supreme Legal Adviser, Mr. Keena, of Detroit, it will become the property of the Supreme Council. This propored changes is to be effected by inserting the word grand wherever these changes are needed to effect the purpose in the reserve fund article. The principle reason assigned for these changes was that the Supreme Council incorporated, and the reason assigned is incorporated, and the reason assigned is therefore not applicable to Canada, which desires the law to stand as it to a unanimous vote of the convention was required. As the Canadian contingent olar, but it will certainly be passed at taw. I to would be separates and others who

To make this a law of the association a unanimous vote of the convention was required. As the Canadian contingent objected unanimously it did not become law, but it will certainly be passed at the next Supreme Convention, for only a two-thirds vote will then be required for its passage. The reserve fund of Canada will then become the property of the Supreme Council of the State of New York, such being the title under New York, such being the title under which the Supreme Council is incorporated.

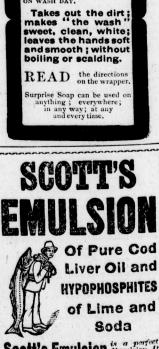
These occurrences have convinced me These occurrences have convinced me that it is the determination of the majority in the Supreme Council to centralize all authority in that council, so that the United States members, and specially the New York members, may exercise uncontrolled authority, without any regard to the fair wishes of the Canadian council, or to the differences in the laws of the two countries; and, in order to effect this purpose, Canada is to be so bound that in case of future legislation, which may require the Cana-dian members of the association to act independently of our United States brethren, we shall be so bound to them that we cannot do so without serious pecuniary loss. Every meeting of the Supreme Council makes this more and Supreme Council makes this more and more evident; and the closing action of the convention was a fit sequel to what had previously occurred. Canada was already very inadequately

represented among the officers of the association, but the last convention has given her a still smaller representation than before in proportion to her numbers. The Canadian branches are rapidly in-The Canadian branches are rapidly in-creasing in membership, its membership being second only to New York. Michi-gan follows, with a membership nearly

ute akin to charity, the general public might ere this know more about base in-trigue. Let would-be separists and others who signt for modifications state their grievances in an honorable way; and, in fature, there will be little cause for such indistinct criti-cism of "hysterical rejutchers" as Brother, Richardson so ineffectually altempts inrough lack of proper knowledge. Brouser Richardson by his apt illustration of our unfortunate Brother removing to the states (a common and frequently inevitable beneficiary meaus total separation. Sup-nosing a few of our Brothers were, in such admitting what we advanced-that separate beneficiary meaus total separation. Sup-nosing a few of our Financial Secretaries have a happy lime with assessments, sus-pensions, etc. Brother kensten on the Pacific coast, would not our Financial Secretaries have a happy lime with assessments, sus-pensions, etc. Brother Kenstensten ou put it plausibly but truly, and the "row you put it bia way will be a thin one: so take heed in time. By your line of argument we bonds of union with our Brothers of the United States rather than break any lick to embrace the gloouny reality you would aub-situte. Branch St repudiate the insinuation that

United States rather than break any lick to embrace the gloomy reality you would sub-siture. Branch 84 repudiate the insinuation that they desire to cast reflection on any mem-bers of the C. M. B. A. in Canada. They have openly referred to the conduct of a limited few latrigners, but not invitionaly nor with animosity. They feel confident that the great majority of the C. M. B. A. members in Canada are actuated by motives of brotherly love for each other and sincere affection for those near and dear to them, wn oshall be heirs of the beneficiaries, which they desire to leave secure, and which they know can never be really secure by intro-ducing elements of separation If Brother Richardson can prove to us the reverse, by any tried system of insurance, we are ready to submit our feeble opinions to his superior wiedom. Let him begin by the article re-ferred to in the C. M. B. A. Journal and elu-cidate the disparity of the deach rate in the State of Ohio The Journal gives:

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