

Table with columns: In 1889 there were 31 deaths. Average age at death. 42 yrs. 28 Held \$2,000 policies. 3 " 1,000 " 37 " 2,000 " 10 " 1,000 " 41 " 45 " 2,000 " 12 " 1,000 " 41 " 50 " 2,000 " 11 " 1,000 " 40 " 13 " 2,000 " 43 " 13 " 1,000 " 43 " 49 " 2,000 " 24 " 1,000 " 46 " 67 " 2,000 " 22 " 1,000 " 44 " 75 " 2,000 " 30 " 1,000 " 2 " 500 "

Total number of deaths..... (61) Total des décès..... (61)

To the Members of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada:

Brothers—We, the members of your Finance Committee, respectfully report that we have carefully audited the books, accounts and vouchers of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer for the term ending December 31st, 1896, and find them correct in every particular.

We examined the Branches' accounts kept by the Grand Secretary, and compared the same with the monthly assessment reports received from branches.

We examined the bank books of the Reserve Fund, and find they agree with the Grand Secretary's books, both as regards the monthly deposits, the interests and the balances to the credit of the Association.

We hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct, to the best of our knowledge.

JOHN RONAN, CHAS. DUPONT HEBERT, Finance Com. London, Ont., Feb. 12, 97.

Aux Membres du Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada:

Frères—Nous, les membres de votre Comité des Finances, faisons respectueusement rapport que nous avons examiné soigneusement les livres, comptes et pièces justificatives du Grand Secrétaire et du Grand Trésorier pour le terme finissant le 31 Décembre, 1896, et les avons trouvés corrects sous tous rapports.

Nous avons examiné les comptes des successales tenus par le Grand Secrétaire et nous les avons comparés avec les rapports de la cotisation mensuelle reçus des successales.

Nous avons examiné les livres de Banques du Fonds de Réserve et les avons trouvés d'accord avec les livres du Grand Secrétaire, tant pour les dépôts mensuels que pour l'intérêt et les balances au crédit de l'Association.

Nous certifions par les présentes que l'état qui précède est vrai et correct au meilleur de notre connaissance.

JOHN RONAN, CHAS. DUPONT HEBERT, Comité des Finances. London, Ont., 12 Février, 1897.

The O'Dwyer Appeal.

Biddulph, Feb. 8, 1897.

S. R. Brown—

Dear Sir and Brother—I herewith send you a further list of the Branches which have generously responded to our appeal in behalf of Bro. Anthony O'Dwyer:

Table with columns: Amount previously reported, Branch name, Amount. Total: \$175 79

Outstanding drafts from Branches 27 and 186..... 25

Total.....\$175 79 Yours truly, P. O'Shea, Rec. Sec. Br. 124

Open Meeting

Branch No. 8, of Chatham, Ont., held an open meeting on Tuesday evening, 9th February. Brother J. U. Thibodeau presided. The audience numbered over two hundred, including a number of non members and the wives and friends of the members of the branch. There were also some representatives from Branch 157, of Fletcher. A fine programme of music and speeches and recitations was gone through. Great interest was taken in the speeches, music and singing and

good results are expected in the way of increase of membership. Every one departed highly pleased after having partaken of refreshments provided by the committee in charge.

HONOR ROLL.

Branch No. 23, Ottawa, Ont., heads the honor roll for the greatest number of initiations during the month of January, 1897, having in all thirteen members. Branch No. 221, Woodside, Ont., comes next in order, having initiated eight members. Branch No. 4, Toronto, Ont., initiated four members.

Branch Officers for 1897.

Branch 25, Cayuga, Ont. President John A. Murphy, 1st vice P. J. Murphy, 2nd vice Patrick McMullon, recording secretary Geo. L. Goodrow, assistant secretary W. H. Brown, financial secretary William Dermott, treasurer Moses Clair, marshal Joseph Murray, guard John Wadel, trust John Wadel and John Farrell. Branch 124, Biddulph, Ont. Spiritual adviser Rev. N. Gahan, president P. J. Quigley, 1st vice Jas. Toohy, 2nd vice William Down, rec. sec. P. O'Shea, treas. William Toohy, assistant secretary Michael Quigley, financial secretary James Kelly, marshal William Thompson, guard John McLaughlin, trustees John Cain, William Thompson, and William Downan.

Branch No. 173, Belle River, Ont. President M. L. Menard, 1st vice Thomas Sharon, 2nd vice John Renaud, recording secretary M. L. Byrne, assistant secretary N. Z. Mousseau, financial secretary Felix Sauvo, treasurer Rev. Father Mouiner, marshal Jas. Benoit, guard Israel Sharon, trustees M. L. Byrne, E. Tracey and Chas. Gorard. Branch 192, Antigonish, N.S. Spiritual adviser Rev. Dr. D. A. Chisholm, chancellor P. Fyoun, president Rev. Dr. Thomson, 1st vice D. Somers, 2nd vice P. McDonald, recording secretary J. J. McPherson, assistant secretary D. McDonald, treasurer D. D. Chisholm, financial secretary A. W. McIntosh, marshal L. McDonald, guard A. R. McDonald, trustees D. T. McGillivray.

Branch 208, Dartmouth, N.S. President Andrew Grant, 1st vice William T. Austin, 2nd vice Wm. F. Brennan, recording secretary John Greene, assistant secretary

Robt Patterson financial secretary James M. O'Regan, treasurer Daniel Brennan, marshal Geo. M. Richards, guard John Beale, trustees John Green, Thos. Preeper, G. M. Richards, W. T. Austin, Alex. Marvlin.

Branch 215, Summerside, P. E. I. Spiritual adviser Rev. Dr. J. G. McD. nald, chancellor S. M. Bent, president J. A. M. Neill, 1st vice J. McCullaugh, 2d vice C. Murphy, recording secretary J. T. M. Nally, assistant secretary Wm. Murphy, financial secretary J. B. Strong, treasurer J. M. Noonan, marshal P. P. Fanning, guard J. R. Noonan, trustees F. Perry, J. R. Keany, S. M. Bent, J. C. McDonald, P. C. Gallant.

Branch 219, Charlottetown, P. E. I. Spiritual adviser Rev. Dr. Jas. Morrison, president J. H. Rendlin, 1st vice Chas. Heronima, 2d vice Michael F. Koughan, recording secretary Henry Fitzgerald, assistant secretary J. O. Arsenault, financial secretary S. P. Pa. H. treasurer Alex. McDonald, marshal Robt. Jas. H. sell, guard Andrew McQuill, chancellor Jas. H. H. trustees Chas. Heronima and M. F. Koughan.

Branch 221, Woodside, Ont. Spiritual adviser Rev. E. J. Hodgkinson, president Matthew Henry, 1st vice Edward Mcpharlin, 2d vice James Murphy, treasurer Denis Marintotte, financial secretary John Mullins, recording secretary Michael M. Hugh, assistant secretary Joseph Granger, marshal M. N. Manssian, guard Henry Archbold, trustees William Dohi, Stignian Dismar, Bernard Conroy, John Mullins, John Graham.

Branch 222, Cote St. Paul, Que. Spiritual adviser Rev. A. A. Brault, P. P. president A. T. Martin, 1st vice F. X. Payette, 2d vice Elie Boivin, recording secretary C. Pratt, assistant secretary J. H. Boyer, financial secretary Thos. J. Evers, treasurer Ephel Daine, marshal E. Tourangeau, guard F. X. Dumoulier, trustees H. Dame, E. Tourangeau, A. Thierlen, J. H. Boyer, F. X. Dumoulier.

Branch 223, Plantagenet, Ont. Spiritual adviser Rev. E. C. Croteau, president Rev. E. C. Croteau, 1st vice J. A. Wilson, 2d vice J. A. Chenier, recording secretary J. Belanger, assistant secretary J. Croteau, financial secretary J. G. Carrière, treasurer F. Desjardins, marshal G. Chenier, guard C. Labrosse, trustees H. Maranda, J. Belanger, U. Gaboury, Arthur Ruloau, J. A. Wilson.

Branch 225, Ridgeway, Ont. Spiritual adviser Rev. Father McCabe, president J. H. Tompkins, 1st vice J. B. Dillott, 2d vice P. McEllon, recording secretary Arthur N. Orendorf, assistant secretary M. Serson, financial secretary C. J. Featherstone, treasurer F. X. Dillott, marshal Jos. Rhody, guard Jas. O'Connor, trustees Mathew Causgrove, P. Mellon and Jos. Rhody.

Branch 228, Quebec, Que. Chaplain Rev. Father Fagnay, chancellor J. Emile Roy, president Dr. A. Lantier, 1st vice Louis Bergovin, 2d vice T. F. Arel, recording secretary J. Emile Roy, assistant secretary L. Z. Trudel, financial secretary Albert Dunn, marshal G. E. Brelin, guard R. Bergovin, medical examiner Dr. E. Ward Lebel, trustees J. Edward Dubo, L. T. Drolet, Geo. E. Brelon, R. Bergovin.

Branch 240, St. Henri de Montreal, Que. President F. X. Lenoir, 1st vice Charles Fortier, 2d vice Joseph Loveille, recording secretary Georges Paquette, financial secretary Y. Maillou, treasurer Aristo Latour, assistant secretary Douis Chartier, marshal Theodore Vaudry, guard Joseph Black, trustees G. Paquette, Y. E. Gauron, Charles Fortier, Joseph Loveille and G. O. Messier.

Branch 241, Pakenham, Ont. President D. Smith, 1st vice C. A. Brageau, 2d vice D. Harvey, recording secretary J. H. Burke, assistant secretary A. F. Burke, financial secretary A. Lesage, treasurer P. B. Farrell, marshal A. Dellese, guard P. Cannon, trustees. P. Ruddy and J. T. O'Neill.

Branch 242, Fredericton, N. B. Chancellor Prof. A. Belloué, president J. F. Owens, 1st vice Michael Ryan, 2d vice Jas. Magee, recording secretary H. G. Nealis, assistant secretary J. McGinnis, financial secretary P. Farrell, treasurer Wm. H. Catten, marshal Jas. E. Catten, guard J. Donahoe, trustees Wm. J. Duncan, Hugh O'Neill, Wm. H. McGinnis, John McCluskey and John O'Neill.

Branch 244, Halifax, N. S. President Eugene Sullivan, 1st vice Geo. P. Thomas, 2d vice Andrew Heagdon, recording secretary Ed. S. Power, assistant secretary Jas. R. Connors, financial secretary J. J. Delaney, senior chancellor Ed. J. Delaney, treasurer P. J. McCarthy, marshal Jos. McDonald, guard J. Driscoll, trustees Chas. Simmonds, P. J. McCarthy, Andrew Maydon, Richard F. Shea and Peter McCarron.

Branch 245, Komptville, Ont. Spiritual adviser Rev. M. McDonald, president Vincent Lamping, 1st vice John C. Neill, 2d vice William Swain, recording secretary Michael Sweeney, assistant secretary Chas. Waterston, treasurer Rev. M. McDonald, financial secretary James E. Laughlin, marshal James John, guard Daniel Cannon, trustees Henry Kony, Charles Waterston, Ernest Byrnes, Martin Griffin, John J. Gannon.

Branch 248, New Glasgow, N. S. President James D. Connolly, 1st vice

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Branch 252, Prince Albert, N. W. T. Spiritual adviser His Lordship Bishop Pascal, president George W. La Croix, 1st vice C. Delagardier, 2nd vice A. Kyyotkoiski, recording secretary Andrew McDonald, assistant secretary F. W. Courbis, financial secretary J. A. Vaclon, treasurer Henry La Croix, marshal P. J. Tuomagu, guard John Luthowski.

Branch 254, Kennington, P. E. I. Chancellor Thos. N. Donahoe, president J. A. McDonald, 1st vice N. J. McDonald, 2d vice Jos. McMillan, recording secretary Michael A. Ready, assistant secretary Chas. E. McDonald, financial secretary John T. Mullen, treasurer Henry J. Moyneach, marshal J. D. Gillis, guard Jas. Landryan, trustees Jos. McMillan and M. A. Ready.

Branch 255, Richibucto, N. B. President Augusto Legere, chancellor Thomas J. Bourke, 1st vice Basile E. Johnson, 2d vice George Raymond, recording secretary George V. M. Luegny, assistant secretary Richard O'Leary, treasurer J. David Daigle, financial secretary Arthur E. O'Leary, marshal James Lagool, guard Fred Davids, trustees Adolphe I. Leblanc, John McTherney.

Branch 259, Courtright, Ont. President Charles L. Lyle, 1st vice Joseph Zink, 2d vice Michael Donahoe, recording secretary John I. Cassin, assistant secretary James M. Cuyler, financial secretary Rev. J. G. Mugau, treasurer John Carr, marshal John Ingles, guard Patrick Morris.

Branch 260, L. E. Puumco, N. S. Spiritual adviser Rev. L. E. Duchesneau, chancellor E. M. Annis, president H. T. D. Entremonts, 1st vice L. Billivan, 2d vice M. M. Annis, recording secretary Wm. H. Annis, assistant secretary H. J. Annis, financial secretary S. Annis, treasurer G. P. D. Entremont, marshal J. B. J. D. Entremont, guard M. E. Billivan, trustee L. L. LesBlanc, Wm. E. Annis.

Branch 262, Barachois, N. B. Spiritual adviser Rev. E. N. Masse, chancellor Rev. P. L. Belliveau, president L. A. Robichaud, 1st vice Daniel H. Ligu, 2d vice J. E. Babineau, recording secretary D. B. Corinier, assistant secretary J. S. Ligu, financial secretary E. H. Theriault, treasurer Jos. P. Thibodeau, marshal G. G. Boudreau, guard F. A. Thibodeau, trustees A. C. Cormier, F. A. Sigu, A. J. Cormier, John A. Leblanc and G. A. Leblanc.

Branch 267, Truro, N. S. President J. T. Halliher, 1st vice F. McGee, 2d vice Jas. Robbins, recording secretary D. A. McDonald, assistant secretary J. D. Murray, financial secretary Rev. Father Kinella, marshal P. Cosgrove, guard John McEasac, trustees A. Robbins, John Jacobs, Rev. Father Kinella, Frank McGee and J. T. Halliher.

Branch 268, Thurso, Que. Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Châtelain, president Rev. Jos. Châtelain, 1st vice Jos. Robillford, M. D., 2d vice Ed. P. Murphy, recording secretary J. L. Michaud, assistant secretary N. Mondoux, financial secretary Thos. O'Leary, treasurer G. Gagnon, marshal Louis Leduc, guard Marcel Dumouchel, trustees Rev. J. Châtelain, Jos. Robillford, J. L. Michaud, Louis Leduc and G. Leduc.

Branch 273, Portage La Prairie, Man. President R. McKenna, 1st vice I. W. Foster, 2d vice John Murphy, recording secretary A. E. Phillon, financial secretary Rev. J. C. Sinnett, treasurer C. McFarlane, marshal B. Ryan, guard Bellemare, trustees J. McFarlane, C. McFarlane, Bellemare.

Resolutions of Condolence.

Moved by Rev. D. P. McMenamin, P. P., and seconded by Emil Schlegel, that we, the members of Branch 240 of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, extend to Brother Martin Smith, and, through him, to his father, brothers and sisters our sincere sympathy and condolence in their bereavement by the death of his mother, whom God in His goodness called to her eternal reward on Jan. 7, 1897, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Brother Martin Smith, the Rev. C. S. M. and be entered on the minutes of the Branch.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 13, Stratford, held Wednesday evening, Jan. 27, 1897, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death the father of our respected Brother, Felix Davlin, Resolved that we, the members of Branch No. 13, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by him and extend to him our most sincere sympathy and condolence in his sad affliction; Also Resolved that a copy of this resolution be inserted in the minutes of this meeting, and sent to him, and also published in the official organ.