C. M. B. A.

We would call the attention of our C. M. B. A. Branches and members to the fact that we make a very pretty silk C. M. B. A. Badge, nicely trimmed with gold fringe, according to price, $1.00, $1.25, $1.40, $1 50, $1.75, and $2 00, and can be used by branches when attending funerals of deceased members, or at a demonstration of any kind, and it imparts to a body of men a neat appearance.

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C. M. B. A.

From the Grand President.

Stratford, Ont., Jan. 28th, 1889.

To the members of the C. M. B. A. in Canada:

BROTHERS—By the authority vested in me by the Toronto Convention, I hereby appoint the following named brothers to watch legislation affecting the C M B A:

Mr. John O'Meara, barrister, Peterboro, Ont., for the Ontario Legislature.

Mr. Charles J. Doherty, Q. C., Montreal, Que., for the Quebec Legislature.

Mr. F. R. Latchford, barrister, Ottawa, Ont., for the Dominion Parliament.

Yours fraternally,
D. J. O'Connor,
Grand President.

Montreal Notes.

Another Branch will shortly be started.

Branch 83 will soon number amongst its member Judge De Lorimier, L. O. David, M. P. P. for Montreal East, and Ald. J.Ennotte, Chairman Police Committee. This Branch is composed of the heads of some of our best French-Canadian families.

Branches 54 and 84 are increasing rapidly owing to the energy displayed by their members.

Z. Benoit, chief of the Montreal Fire Brigade, will shortly become a member of parent Branch 26.

It is pleasing to note the difference in attendance in this Branch. At one time it was considered a very large meeting if about a dozen of members could be got together; now the hall will not seat one-half those who attend.

A meeting was held last Sunday afternoon in the hall of Branch 26, and delegates were in attendance from seven Branches to consider the advisability of starting a Relief Fund in connection with our city Branches. It was a pleasant reunion and led to many interchanges of opinion between the members of the different Branches. A motion was put to the meeting, and carried, approving of the project and instructing the secretary pro. tem. to correspond with Grand President O'Connor in regard to this matter; and a committee was appointed to draw up rules, etc. etc, for consideration at a future meeting, should the opinion of the Grand President be favorable. A letter was read from Bro. Doravan, Secretary of the Syracuse Relief Fund, containing much important information, as regards the workings of the Relief Fund established some time ago in Syracuse.

Many of our members would also like to know how much money has been paid by Canada into Beneficiary Fund from assessment No. 1, 1888, to 16, included, and also how many death claims have been settled in that time amongst Canadian members.

Assessment 16 to hand and now due. Quite a surprise! Where is its brother the usual 17? What will the croakers say who opposed Reserve Fund, and the insurance agents who assert our assessments will become so heavy that we will eventually collapse? Is it not gratifying to our members to see our Reserve Fund increased $20,000 and still one assessment less than in previous years.

Archbishop Fabre will leave Rome for Montreal about the 10th Feb. Upon his arrival home addresses from the clergy and laity will be presented to him. Would it not be a graceful act, on the part of our Montreal branches to also present their homage? AMICUS.

From Perth Branch.

Branch No. 89, Perth, held an entertainment in their hall on Tuesday night, Jan. 15th, 1889, before a very large and appreciative audience. In fact the rush was so great that many had to return home unable to gain admittance.

The programme was a good one, consisting of choice selections of vocal and instrumental music and an address on the C. M. B. A., by the Rev. T. P. O'Connor, who was introduced to the audience by the chairman, Mr. B. J. Conway, the worthy president of the Branch, in a few well chosen remarks. The rev. speaker gave a very interesting discourse upon the many benefits to be obtained from being a member of the C. M. B. A., showing the small cost of insurance, the object and aim of the association and the great satisfaction of knowing that we had the sanction and co operation of our Church and clergy with us—in fact, it is a part of us. The rev. speaker advised and urged all who were eligible to become members of this grand association.

Those who kindly assisted in rendering the programme are indeed entitled to much thanks. It would be difficult to say who deserves the most praise, but we might mention Mrs. B. J. Conway, in her beautiful song, "I'm Sitting on the Stile, Mary," which she rendered in an artistic manner and in response to an encore sung "Killarney."

Mr. E. J. Connolly, the worthy treasurer of the Branch, in his rendering of the beautiful tenor solo, 'When the Tide Comes In," received an unanimous recall and sung "Kathleen," as an encore.

Mr. B. J. Conway, formerly of Branch 56, Hamilton, and now the president of Branch No. 89, kept the large audience in roars of laughter with his song, "The Chinaman," and the audience demanding an encore he gave them "Mr. O'Rielly," which only made them call for more, and he then sung, "The German Fifth," bringing one of the most successful entertainments of the season to a finish, with the glorious satisfaction to its members, that everyone was well pleased, yes, delighted with the performance. MRS. E J. Connolly acted as accompanist and gave entire satisfaction to all.

Branch No. 89 has now nineteen members enrolled, with nine applications for membership before the examiner.

B. J. CONWAY, President. JOHN DOYLE, Rec. Sec'y.

Branch No. 89 embraced the opportunity of presenting the Rev. Father T P. O'Connor with an address and a beautiful gold headed cane on his departure from Perth to Prescott.

The president of the Branch, Brother B. J. Conway, on making the presentation expressed the sorrow which not only the members of the C. M. B. A., but the whole parish felt, at the loss of one who had shown himself to be such a kind and devoted priest, and regretted that the time of notice being so short, they could not give the departing one a more substantial token of their esteem.

The Rev. Father on rising said he could not find words to return thanks for this acknowledgment of love and faith tendered him to-night. He regretted leaving behind those who had been so kind and so obliging to him and wished God's blessing on all present. He felt that he owed the members of Branch 89 a reply to this presentation, but his heart was too full, and his feelings, were he to dwell on this event, would be sure to overcome him. He would therefore thank them again and assure them that this would be always remembered as one of the happiest moments of his life.

B. J. CONWAY, President. JOHN DOYLE, Rec. Sec.

From Pembroke.

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 9th District Deputy M. Galvin, of Arnprior, installed the following officers of Branch 67, C. M. B. A, Pembroke, for the ensuing year:

Spiritual Adviser, Rev J J Doucet
President, J T Gorman
First Vice-President, M Howe
Second Vice-President, L Rejotte
Treasurer, A Meehan
Financial Secretary, A J Fortier
Recording Secretary, J P Sarsfield
Assistant Secretary, John Sarsfield
Marshal, W Charron
Guard, P Chaput
Trustees, L Rejotte, W Jewel and B J Mulligan.

Before proceeding with the installation, Bro. Galvin addressed the members on the great advantages that are derived from joining the C. M. B. A., socially as well as morally, as it creates a feeling of mutual interest in one another, thereby elevating the moral standing of each. He hoped the officers whom he was about to install would attend to the duties of their offices with care, and would forward the interest of the association as much as possible, as the welfare of the Branch depended a great deal on the way the officers attended to their duties. The members should see that none but good ones were elected. Rev. P. J. Ryan then addressed the meeting, giving kind words of encouragement to the members, all of whom he was well acquainted with. He did not become a member without due deliberation, and was very glad that he was one; after which the installation was proceeded with.

Election of Officers.

Branch 89, Perth.

President, B J Conway
Chancellor, D J McDonald
First Vice-President, James E McGeough
Second Vice-President, John Henry
Recording Secretary, John Doyle
Assistant Rec. Secret'y, James McDonagh
Financial secretary, John Prunner
Treasurer, Edward Connelly
Marshal, James Kane
Guard, Edward Lee
Trustees, for one year, E E Major, P J Sheridan and John Noonan; for two years, Timothy Horan, Michael McCarthy

Branch 12, Berlin.

President, James Spereman
First Vice-President, J Guinther
Second Vice-President, Charles S Miller
Recording Secretary, V F Weber
Assistant Recording Secretary, J Stumph
Financial Secretary, E O Donohue
Assistant Financial Secretary, A Bauer,
Treasurer, Joe Winterhaldt
Marshal, Aug Heymann
Guard, Alvin Wittig
Trustees, for two years, Joe A Fuhermann, Henry Lang Thos Tracy; for one year, Henry Hemmel, Nich. Welneiser

Nazaire Charles Antoine Boudreault, Priest.

DIED ON THE EVE OF THE EPIPHANY, 1889, AT MISCOUCHE, P. E ISLAND.

Feathery snow flakes softly falling,
Flying, fluttering from the cast,
Spreading o'er earth's frozen bosom,
Spotless shroud for spotless priest;

Earth all white and sky all leaden
Save o'er ocean's breast afar,
Where a beam of pale translucence
Marks the path of Magi's Star.

By that gleaming, wondrous pathway,
Royal road to Gentiles given,
Passed the soul of Christian pastor
Led by angels up to Heaven.

Toll, ye bells of Belle Alliance,
From your Gallic belfry old,
For your priest whose pain-worn body
Lies before you white and cold.

Ring the *glas*, and call the people
From Miscouche and Carmel fair;
Come behold him, come extol him,
He who loved you, lying there.

Clad in sacred priestly vestments,
In his hands the imaged Christ,
On his lips a smile of gladness
At the thought of morning's tyrst,

Gaspar, Melchior, Balthazar,
Kings of the Epiphany!
Join ye in the glad Hosanna,
Sung to welcome such as he.

He who in his youth and beauty
Crowned with sufferings nobly borne,
Went to keep the feast in Heaven
On this January morn.

His the gain and ours the sorrow;
We who knew and loved him well:
Bishop, priests and people grieving
All alike his praises tell.

God help her who loved him dearest,
Who is with him in her dreams,
When the winter winds blow keenest,
O'er the ice-bound Madeleines.

Christian mother, Catholic mother,
No one can console thee now,
Saving her whose heart was broken
On Mount Calvary's dark brow.

Yet this thought should bring thee comfort:
He, thy saintly, much loved son,
Dying leaves a fair white record,
Filled with duties nobly done.

Here the cross of sorest suffering
'Twas his daily lot to bear:
But the crown of life eternal
Now is his in Heaven to wear.

Toll then bells of Belle Alliance
Through the frosty winter night,
While the people for their pastor
Ask of God perpetual light.

And thou priest of God forever,
Whose *sacerdoce* never ends—
From thy place among the blessed
Pray for us who were thy friends.

A. M. P.

THE CITY MUTUAL.

ANNUAL MEETING OF A PROSPEROUS COMPANY—THE DIRECTORS REPORT—A GOOD SHOWING—ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The second annual meeting of the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held at their office yesterday afternoon. Those present were: Ex-Mayor Cowan (president). Messrs. A. Campbell, J. B. Vining, D C. Macdonald, G. A. Blackstock, Adam Murray, D. Black, C. F. Colwell, T. C. Hewitt, Philip Pocock and A. M. Frederick.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

of the company was presented as follows:

London, Jan. 29, 1889.

Your directors have much pleasure in presenting you with the second annual report of the company and although they would have been more gratified had the bill of losses for the past year been smaller, yet, taking into consideration the fact that the year 1888 was a phenomenal one in the number of fires throughout the country by which all companies suffered, we, on the whole, have even been fortunate in this respect.

The total sum paid for losses has been $10 218 91 while the receipts for the year including a balance from last year of $1,317 71, have been $21,589 21. The amount available of premium notes on Dec 31. 1888, was $35 589 12, as compared with $25 425 66 at the end of the previous year While the total of net assets has increased from $26,627 10 to $37 846 89, the amount now at risk is $1 203,363. The expenses of the company have been kept at the lowest possible figure, and your directors claim that no company in Canada has acquired in so short a time the solid foundation possessed by the City Mutual at so little expense.

Your directors, early in the year, procured the services of Mr. G. A. Blackstock, as inspector, and he has succeeded in securing as representatives of the company in nearly every section of the Province a staff of agents from whom we have great expectations, judging from the amount and quality of the work sent in, particularly during the past few months We are adopting a system of inspection of risks, especially those of a hazardous class, and Mr. Blackstock takes every opportunity of making a thorough investigation of those risks on his travels, thus enabling us to properly discriminate, and give the advantage of lower rates on such risks as may either physically or morally be deserving of the same. On the whole, your directors claim that they have succeeded in the objects they had in view in establishing the company, namely to act up to the mutual principle, and give insurance to members at its actual cost, and the prospects of a successful career for the future are most bright. Three directors now retire by rotation, they are Messrs. D C. Macdonald, Campbell and Black, but who are eligible for re election. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. VINING, Secretary. JAMES COWAN, President.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Receipts—	
To cash on hand and in bank 31st December, 1887	$ 1 317 71
To cash received for premiums	19,843 51
To cash received for transfer fees	15 23
To cash received for interest	21 37
To cash received for re-insurance on losses	588 72
To cash received for bills receivable	52 32
To cash received for office furniture	35
Total	$21,539 21
Disbursements—	
By paid losses	$10,218 91
By paid bank commission	11 90
By paid commission to agents	3,062 27
By paid loss and agency inspection	587 10
By paid salaries, directors' and auditors' fees	2,553 15
By paid returned premiums	280 98
By paid law expenses	67 48
By paid postage	114 77
By paid printing, advertising and stationery	348 69
By paid rent	60 00
By paid agents in settlement of account	44 20
By paid re insurance	1,545 03
By paid interest	376 30
By paid Molsons Bank, special account	1,000 00
By paid expense (sundries)	157 82
Cash in Molson's Bank	1,107 48
Cash in Treasurer's hands	3 13
Total	$21,539 21
Assets—	
Amount available on premium notes	$35 589 42
Agents balances	1 770 34
Office furniture	34 05
Government deposit	13,000 00
Cash in Molsons Bank	1,107 48
Cash in Treasurer's hands	3 13
Accrued interest	337 18
Total	$48 841 60
Liabilities—	
Special account Molsons Bank	$ 6 000 00
Losses claimed but not adjusted	314 50
Reserve of premium to reinsure as per requirements of Government	4,680 21
Net assets above all liabilities	37,846 89
Total	$48 841 60

Policies in force Dec. 31, 1888 1100; cash system, 627; mutual system, 533

Amount at risk $1 203 363 00; average amount of each policy, $1,037 38.

Audited, compared with books and vouchers, and found correct as set forth in the above statement.

(Signed) JAMES GRANT, ALEX. M. FREDERICK } Auditors.

London, Jan 28, 1889.

The adoption of the report was moved by the President and seconded by C. F. Colwell, both of whom dwelt upon the success which had attended the company in the past year, and the bright outlook for future years.

Messrs. D C. Macdonald and T. C. Hewitt made short congratulatory speeches, expressing the warmest praises of the manner in which the affairs of the company had been conducted

The election of directors then ensued, and the retiring members were re elected.

On motion the Secretary took the chair, and a standing vote of thanks was passed to the retiring president, Mr. Jas. Cowan, who replied briefly.

A vote of thanks was also passed to the company's agents, Mr. Blackstock replying.

A meeting of the directors was held immediately afterwards and Mr. James Cowan was re elected president, and Mr. Jas Armstrong, M. P., vice-president. Messrs. J. Grant and A. M. Frederick auditors

The gentlemen chosen as the Executive Committee were Messrs. Pocock, Colwell and Cowan, Mr. Colwell being elected chairman.

The Board of Directors now consists of Messrs. James Cowan, president; J. Armstrong, vice-president; Daniel Black, T. C. Hewitt, Angus Campbell, C. F. Colwell, James Cameron, Philip Pocock, D. C. Macdonald, J. B Vining, W. R Vining, A. J. B. Macdonald, G. A. Blackstock.

THE FORGERIES COMMISSON.

During the past week very little that was new was brought in evidence as the week was taken up for the most part with the reading of speeches of National ist members of Parliament A sensation, however, has been created by the announcement that the witness, Thomas O'Connor, who charged Timothy Harrington, M P., with employing him as a moonlighter, is dying and has signed a confession, in which he withdraws the accusation.

Mr. Daly, a Galway solicitor, testified to being paid by the League to defend the persons accused of the murder of Lord Mountmorris and the Huddys, also persons accused of other outrages. He said Walsh told him the instructions to defend the accused came from Mr. Davitt.

HOW TO CURE HEADACHE.—Some people suffer untold misery day after day with Headache. There is rest neither day or night until the nerves are all unstrung. The cause is generally a disordered stomach, and a cure can be effected by using Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, containing Mandrake and Dandelion, Mr. Finlay Wark, Lysander, P. Q., writes: "I find Parmelee's Pills a first class article for Bilious Headache."

A Severe Trial.

Frances S. Smith, of Emsdale, Muskoka, writes, "I was troubled with vomiting for two years, and I have vomited as often as five times a day. One bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters cured me."

THE ONTARIO MUTUAL

Fire Insurance Company.

Head Office, - - London, Ont.

Gentlemen,—In presenting the twenty-first annual report of the Ontario Mutual Fire Insurance Company for your consideration, your Board beg to point to the increased insurance secured during the year of $119,305 over the previous year as evidence of the activity displayed by the agents of the company during 1888, and the deep interest manifested by them in its success. The losses, however, your Board regret to say have been much heavier than at any former period in the history of the company. These were for the most part confined to a few localities notably at Chesley and Ripley, where devastating conflagrations occurred in the months of June and July respectively.

In the year just closed, 1,571 policies were issued. Of that number 571 were on the cash system, insuring property to the amount of $618,843, and 600 on the premium note or mutual plan insuring property to the amount of $483,638. The number of policies in force on Dec. 31, 1888, was 4,492, an increase of 145, insuring property to the amount of $3,006,901 or an average of about $669 per policy.

Owing to the heavy losses above mentioned, your Board have re-insured with Ontario companies property in the districts named, amounting to $32,663, for which we have given premium notes of the value of $4,0 8. By this means the company is relieved of further heavy losses at any particular fire.

The amount paid for losses during the year was $21,940 95, of which $6,112 89 was for fires in 1887. The sum of $3,061 09 remained unpaid at the close 1888. Since that time $2,038 09 has been paid in reduction of that amount.

Your Board now hold in guarantee notes of its members, with amounts due on assessments, etc., as per statement of assets, $38,694 73, which is ample security against any loss that may occur.

Your Board would call the special attention of members to the careful observance of the conditions of their policies, that every care be taken, not only to preserve their insurance, but to use every precaution against fire, as well as the prompt payment of all assessments, as unpaid overdue assessments might be a bar to a claim should one unfortunately arise.

Your directors during the year have given all the time possible, consistent with economy, in the interests of the company, and have exercised great care in the consideration of applications.

Excepting one locality the company's agents have been careful and assiduous in the selection of risks. On their good judgment depends much of our success.

Your Board desire to place on record their appreciation of the services of the manager and his assistants during the year. They have worked energetically in the interests of the company and are deserving of acknowledgement.

The gentlemen who retire from the Board, but who are eligible for re-election, are Messrs. James Egan and Thomas H. Tracy.

Appended is the auditors' report and detailed cash statement of receipts and disbursements, together with a statement of assets and liabilities of the company on Dec. 31, 1888.

Statement of cash receipts and disbursements for the year ending 31st December, 1888:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand 31st December, 1887	$ 104 58
Cash in Molsons Bank	266 22
Cash in Dominion Savings and Investment Society	91 76
City of London Debentures	2,016 76
Cash received from agents	11,680 40
Cash received from assessments	5,509 95
Cash received from re-insurance	1,642 92
Cash received from bills payable	11,792 28
Cash received from transfer fees	53 88
Cash received for carpenters' risks	24 30
Cash received from interest	222 02
Cash received from additional premiums	17 73
Cash received from commission	70
Cash received from threshing machines	1 00
Total	$33,423 91

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount paid agents	$ 3,013 56
By amount paid losses	21,940 95
By amount salaries and directors' fees	2,049 68
By amount traveling expenses	335 10
By amount other expenses, including rent and taxes	488 54
By amount Government license and statement fee	98 72
By amount law costs and solicitor's fees	537 75
By amount Division Court costs	123 87
By amount postage, including office and agents	233 47
By amount printing, stationery, etc.	221 77
By amount auditing	80 00
By amount returned premiums	121 42
By amount interest	729 08
By amount re-insurance	649 16
Amount paid bank to retire members' notes	289 73
City of London debentures deposited with Government	2,016 26
Cash in Molsons Bank	226 48
Cash and postage stamps on hand	254 37
Total	$33,423 91

Audited compared with vouchers and with the several books of the company, all of which we find properly kept and strictly correct as above set forth.

A. G. SMYTH, JOHN S. DEWAR. } Auditors.

London, Ont., 28th January, 1889.

Statement of assets and liabilities of the Ontario Mutual Fire Insurance Company, 31st December, 1888:

ASSETS.

Amount available on premium notes and assessments in course of collection	$52,837 36
Amount due by agents, secured by agents' bonds and members' due bills	2,721 53
Amount due on bills receivable	289 73
Office furniture, valued at	255 00
City of London debentures deposited with the Government	2,016 26
Cash on hand in the bank	484 85
Total assets	$58,604 73
LIABILITIES	
Including bills payable, unpaid and unadjusted losses will not exceed	$17,853 37
Amount of assets in excess of liabilities	$40,751 36

Examined and found correct according to the books of the company.

A. G. SMYTH, J. S. DEWAR } Auditors.

London, Jan. 28, 1889.

The adoption of the report was moved by the President and seconded by Mr. Egan. The report was then adopted.

On motion Messrs. A. G. Smyth and A. Wallace were appointed scrutineers. A ballot being taken, Messrs. Egan and Tracy were declared re-elected.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the President and Directors for their valuable services during the year, also a vote of thanks tendered to the agents and officers for the faithful performance of their duty. The meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. A. McCormick was re-elected President and Mr. Jas. Egan Vice-President.

HYMENEAL.

A very pleasing matrimonial event took place at St. Peter's Cathedral on Wednesday morning, the 30th ult., when Mr. J L Doyle, of Chatham, and Miss Annie O'Rourke, daughter of Wm. O'Rourke, Esq., of London Township, were united. Miss Kate O Rourke, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid and Mr. M. L. Doyle as groomsman. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Kennedy, assisted by the Rev. Father Tiernan. After spending a few pleasant hours at the home of the bride's father, where they were made the recipients of a large number of costly presents, the happy couple left on the evening train for their home in Chatham, with the best wishes of a large circle of friends for their future happiness and prosperity.

Archduke Rudolph, the Austrian Crown Prince, and heir apparent to the Austrian throne, died suddenly on the 30th. ult. There are various rumors regarding the cause of his death. The official report states that it is a case of suicide, while other rumors are to the effect that he was killed in a duel, others again assert that he was murdered.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION.

FATHER COOKE PRESENTED WITH A VERY VALUABLE GOLD WATCH BY HIS FRIENDS IN ST. THOMAS.

To the Rev Father Cooke:

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—Your many friends, feeling sincere sorrow at your departure from the city of St. Thomas, regret that the short period of time which elapsed from the time your intended departure was made known till your actual leaving took place rendered it impossible for them to personally meet you and make known to you the earnest and sincere respect in which you are held by the people of the parish of St. Thomas and by your other friends in this city, and to convey to you their feelings of sorrow and regret that you have been called to another field of duty.

You have since you first came to us, by your manly and earnest and Christian conduct, by your affability and gentleness of character, by your teaching and example, by your zeal and piety, and by the many manifestations of self-denial and disinterestedness you have shown while here, won for yourself the respect and admiration and esteem of all with whom you have in any way been associated, and also of all those who have heard of the good you have done. We also desire to say that although your stay with us has been short, yet it has been prolific of much good. And the examples you and the zealous and worthy pastor of the Church of the Holy Angels here, the Rev. Father Flannery, have shown us, of Christian conduct and gentleness will, we assure you, be cherished long by us, and you will always be remembered here with feelings of reverence and friendship for your humility, piety and Christian character.

Not desiring to simply convey to you in words alone our appreciation of your many sterling qualities, we beg of you, in the name of your many friends here, to accept this small tangible token of the gratitude and esteem, respect and reverence, in which you are held by your many friends, and we devoutly pray that the Giver of all good will shower His choicest blessings upon you, both in your temporal welfare, and on your labor in that sacred work you have been called to follow.

Signed on behalf of your many friends.

St. Thomas, Ont., 8th January, 1889

FATHER COOKE RETURNS HIS HEARTY THANKS TO HIS FRIENDS IN ST. THOMAS.

The poet said: "the evil that men do lives after them but the good is oft interred with their bones." But the grateful people of St. Thomas buried the evil I did, and embalmed whatever little good I may have done.

The presentation of a very valuable gold watch, with a most appropriate device was unexpected, as I had many substantial tokens of your friendships and generosity at my departure.

Assuring you that every recollection of you is like Moses' vision of the promised land, and wishing that a union of all those affections and powers, by which life is perfected, ennobled, embellished and refined, may continue to unite our hearts to our Redeemer's loving heart,

I remain yours very truly,
JOHN COOKE.

ALBANI AT QUEBEC.

Quebec, Feb 3—Albani is the sole topic of conversation here, and yesterday the city was all *en fete* in her honor. Prime Minister Mercier entertained her at luncheon, and amongst those invited to meet her were the Mayor and all the Ministers and ex-Ministers of the Local Government Last night all the snow shoe clubs of Quebec and Levis joined in a special demonstration in her honor, consisting of a torchlight procession which escorted her from her hotel to the Parliament House and of a grand pyrotechnical display in front of the latter building, which she viewed from a balcony of the front facade, accompanied by the Mayor and members of the Government, and in which many thousands of people participated. Last night, long before the concert began, hundreds were unable to gain admission to the Academy of Music, and the sale of seats were stopped. Such was the enthusiasm at Albani's first appearance that for many minutes she could only acknowledge the warm and heartfelt greetings She was in splendid voice, and unhesitatingly responded to the numerous encores

Albani appears at the Grand Opera House this city on Friday evening, Feb. 15. The plan opens on Thursday morning.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

London, Feb. 7.—GRAIN.—Red winter, 1.60 to 1.63; white, 1.60 to 1.63; spring, 1.60 to 1.63; Corn, 90 to 1.00; rye, 1.00 to 1 05 barley, malt, 1.00 to 1.20; barley feed, 85 to 95; oats, 88 to 92; peas, 95 to 98; beans, bush., 1.00 to 1.05; buckwheat, central, 1.00.

VEGETABLES.—Potatoes per bag, 25 to 35; Onions per bag, 65 to 75.

PRODUCE.—Eggs, 13c to 15c; butter, best roll, 20c to 21c; large rolls, 18c; crocks, 18c; tub-dairy, 20; store packed firkin, 14c to 16c; dry wood, 4.50 to 5.00 green wood 4.25 to 4.75; soft wood, 2.50 to 3.50; lard, No 1, 12c to 13c; No 2, 11 to 12; straw, load, 3.00 to 4.00; hay, ton, 10.00 to 12 00

MEATS.—Pork, 5.50 to 6.50; pork, by qr., 8 to 9; beef, by qr., 4.00 to 6.00; mutton, by qr., 7 to 8; by carcass, 6 to 6½; lamb, by carcass, 8 to 9; lamb, by qr., 9 to 10; veal, by qr., 6 to 7; veal, by carcass, 5 to 6.

POULTRY.—(dressed)—Chickens, pr., 40 to 60c; ducks, pr., 70 to 90c.; geese, each, 50 to 60c; geese, lb. 6c to 9c; turkeys, lb., 8c to 10c.

LIVE STOCK.—Milch cows, 28.00 to 50.00; live hogs, cwt., 5.00 to 5.50; pigs, pr., 4.00 to 6.00; fat beeves, 2.50 to 4.00.

Montreal, Feb 7.—FLOUR.—Receipts, 300 bbls.; sales, none reported. Market quiet at generally unchanged rates. Grain and provisions unchanged. Stocks here this morning—Wheat, 471,891 bush.; corn, 37,477 bush.; oats, 36,955; barley, 53,615 bush.; rye, none; flour, 96,821; oatmeal, 679 bbls

Toronto, Feb, 7.—WHEAT—Fall, No 2, 1 06 to 1.07; red winter, No. 2, 1.06 to 1.07; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 1 20 to 1.24; No 2, 1.17 to 1.18; No. 3, 1.13. Barley, No. 1, 58c to 59c; No 2, 55c to 56c; No 3, extra, 50 to 52; No, 3, 46c to 47c; peas, No. 2, 56 to 60; oats, No. 2, 31½c to 35c; flour, extra, 4.50 to 4.60; strong bakers, 4.90 to 5.75.

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 7.—CATTLE.—Offerings were 15 cars; no Canadas; 5 cars of Michigans; market was strong, and prices were generally a shade to 15c higher. The Michigan cattle were all of the good shipping variety, except some rather coarse cattle, which sold at 4; good sold at 4 10 to 4 40; 3 cars of Ohio export stock, of 1,475 lbs, sold at 4 65, equal to 15c higher than last week's prices. Veals steady at 6c to 6½c for choice; no extra here; would bring 7

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Offerings were 75 cars, of which over 40 were left from yesterday. The offerings included 18 cars Michigans; the market ruled dull, almost lifeless; extra sheep, however, were a little higher, and common to fair, lower, extra sheep sold for a few at 5 15; generally fine sheep bring 4 75 to 5; good to choice, 4 50 to 4 75, common to good ranges anywhere from 2 50 to 4.25, with fair about 3 75 to 4 Lambs—the best lot of Michigans here sold at 6.85 generally. The market was steady on best grades, dull on common, and market over-supplied; some go out in first hands fearing that Monday's receipts will completely glut the market; good to choice lambs sell at 6 65 to 6.60; fair to good, 5.25 to 5 85; generally good, 5.75

HOGS—Offerings, 40 cars, of which 6 cars came from Michigan and none from Canada. Fairly active demand; market 10c to 15c lower than yesterday; a few mixed mediums and Yorkers sold at 5.05 to 5.10, but only two or three bunches, not enough to establish a market Packers all paid 5 for their kind of hogs and York buyers 5 25 A load or two of pigs brought 5 25 to 5.35 All sold.

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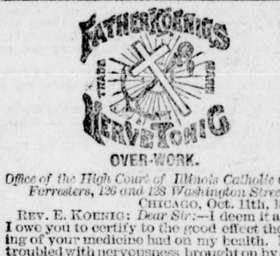

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