

Our eternal salvation is so closely interwoven and so intimately connected with the fulfilment of this precept of God's law, that we cannot possibly be saved without it. Now what is this fraternal charity which the law of God so strongly inculcates and so rigidly demands? It is to love our neighbor as ourselves, and to do to others as we would wish to be done by. Pay strict attention here, dear brethren, to the rule our Saviour lays down. He does not say, love your neighbor as one friend loves another. No, because if one friend loves from a slight provocation that the love between friends is broken, and in place of love there is engendered hatred. He does not say love your neighbor as a father loves a son or as a mother loves a daughter, or as children love their parents, nor for it often happens that paternal love and filial affection are destroyed and rooted out of the heart by dislike and jealousy, and even in the spirit of hatred enters in among the members of the same family, where love and affection should exist. Our Beloved Saviour does not say to love our neighbor as a husband loves his wife or a wife her husband. No, for we see too many examples in the world to day of conjugal infidelity and that the mutual love and affection which should cement the matrimonial union is destroyed and broken. This the public records of the courts of justice testify in the many applications for bills of divorce. No, but the love that we must have for our neighbor is the same as the love we have for ourselves, because this is the strongest, the most enduring and the greatest of all loves—for the passion that predominates in each human breast is the love of self.

Now, in looking around me this morning in this large cathedral and seeing before me so large a gathering of noble men who are banded together for the purpose of carrying out this new and special command of Christ's of loving one another, and of doing to others what we would wish others to do unto us, it fills my heart and soul with joy and gladness, and causes me to believe that the spirit of Christ's love and charity still lives and breathes in this cold and uncharitable world. Oh! how many homes have you, dear brethren, by your association made happy and comfortable, how many bitter tears of sorrow and sadness falling from the eyes of widows and orphans, have you dried up, by the mutual benevolence of your association. Remember I am not now drawing from imagination, but from plain facts and figures. Since our Grand Council was established in 1880, \$1,282,000 have been paid to the widows, orphans and heirs of the deceased members of the association, of which sum \$170,000 have been paid out by the different Canadian Branches.

Now what does all this show? It shows what a great amount of good can be accomplished by a little exertion and by organizing; it shows that the uniting of many members in one body is an irresistible force that cannot be impeded on its onward progress in obtaining the end for which that organization was established, no matter what the obstacles are. Oh, then, dear brethren, my earnest prayer will be for your future success, continue on as you have been doing, strictly adhere to all the clauses of the constitution, especially the first and foremost Catholic in every sense of the word, not only in name but also in practice, and then, when life is spanned, when the summons comes to order you to another world you can look back upon your widowed wife and orphan children or upon your lonely mother and fond dependent sisters with complacency that they are provided for, and with hope and expectation you can look forward to the reward that God has promised to the charitable, viz., everlasting happiness. A blessing I wish you all in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

After Mass the Convention marched back to the hall for the purpose of opening the proceedings. It would be but simple justice to mention that the members of the Toronto Branches provided everything necessary to make the delegates comfortable and enable them to carry out their work. The Grand Central Hall is a large and well-lighted room and has been decorated for the occasion with the beautiful display of natural flowers added much to the exquisite appearance of the arrangements.

The proceedings were opened by the offering up of prayer by Rev. Father Hand of the Cathedral, after which the same Rev. Father presented the following neatly worded address of welcome, which was ably responded to by the Grand President.

To the President, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A., Canada: BROTHERS—We, the members of branches Nos. 15, 49 and 85, bid you hearty welcome to Toronto. The sixth convention of the Grand Council is an occasion of concern and interest to the members of the C. M. B. A. throughout Canada. It is one of pride and honor for us of the Queen City, who rejoice to day in the presence of representatives of an organization which, during its short existence, has done so much for the support of the orphan, the protection of the widow and the preservation of our holy faith.

It is unnecessary to call the attention of our chief governing body in Canada to the benefits which this association is so well calculated to bestow both upon its members and the community at large: it may not, however, be out of place to express the hope that the place to which it is your object to guard and diffuse, may be greatly promoted by the wisdom and prudence of your deliberations during the next few days. And while we take a deep interest in your proceedings, we look forward to their happy influence upon the progress and prosperity of the association.

Again, we bid you a hearty welcome and hope that when the business before you shall be brought to a satisfactory conclusion, you will carry away with you pleasant memories of Toronto, and we are sure you will leave with us a more fervent zeal and stronger emulation for the advancement of our association in this city.

(Signed)
J. L. HAND, Pres. of Recep. Com.
T. J. LEE, Secretary.
THOS. BRAGG, Pres. of Branch 15.
THOS. QUINN, Pres. of Branch 49.
E. J. RILEY, Pres. of Branch 85.
Father Hand also tendered an invitation to the Grand Council to attend an

excursion to Niagara on Thursday afternoon.

OFFICERS AND DELEGATES PRESENT.
On the roll being called the following officers and delegates were found to be present:

OFFICERS.
President, D. J. O'Connor, Stratford.
First Vice President, T. J. Finn, Montreal.
Second Vice President, J. O'Meara, Peterboro'.

Secretary, S. R. Brown, London.
Treasurer, W. J. McKee, Windsor.
Marshal, Major O'Reilly, Chatham.
Guard, J. R. name, Amherstburg.
Trustees, J. McCabe, E. J. O'Brien, Rev. M. J. Thernan, Rev. P. Bardon and Rev. T. J. Cole.

DELEGATES.
F. Cleary, Windsor.
S. B. Pocock, St. Thomas.
J. Fleming, Amherstburg.
A. Wilson, London.
Rev. E. O'Brien, Dunnville.
M. A. Dams, Chatham.
Wm. Leahy, Kingston.
J. E. Lawrence, St. Catharines.
J. Hanigan, Dundas.
Joe. Bury, Berlin.
E. Fitzgerald, Stratford.
B. Maurer, Galt.
J. G. Lee, Toronto.
Rev. J. Masterson, Prescott.
Thos. O'Neill, Paris.
J. O'Neill, Niagara Falls.
J. B. Smith, Ingersoll.
H. W. Dore, Maidstone.
J. L. Knecht, St. Clements.
Myles McCarron, Wallaceburg.
John McQuade, Seaford.
Rev. T. J. Sullivan, Thorold.
Rev. P. Bardon, Cayuga.
C. O'Brien, Montreal.
A. Kavanagh, Petrolia.
R. J. Latchford, Ottawa.
M. P. Bland, Ottawa.
M. J. Sullivan, Peterboro'.

P. J. Woods, Guelph.
M. Carrigan, Wingham.
T. W. McDermott, Almonte.
J. Doyle, Goderich.
John McCarron, Port Lambton.
John R. name, Hamilton.
Rev. C. W. Murray, Cornwall.
J. Weiner, Neustadt.
J. Murphy, Hamburg.
J. D. Quinn, Montreal.
Rev. M. J. Brady, Woodstock.
Wm. Braniff, Brockville.
J. Galvin, Annapolis.
H. Moran, Tecumseh.
A. B. Klein, Walkerton.
J. A. Devlin, M. D., Arthur.
Rev. S. Foster, New Germany.
D. P. Tansey, Montreal.
T. P. Tansey, Montreal.
P. Kearney, Galt.
J. Shea, Winnipeg.
M. Doudley, Mount Forest.
Jao Ford, Montreal.
Jao Noll, St. Agatha.
Jao O'Neill, Hamilton.
A. R. McDowell, Orillia.
L. D'Auray, Ottawa.
L. J. Cassin, Ottawa.
J. MacKinnon, Kingston.
J. H. G. Hore, Merriton.
O. Reams, Grand River.
Rev. P. J. Brennan, St. Mary's.
Rev. Joseph Bloem, North Bay.
C. O'Donnell, Ayrton.
J. Loughrin, Mattawa.
J. J. Gorman, Pembroke.
G. G. V. Argouin, Hull.
Rev. Geo. Brohman, Desmarion.
T. D. Kinsella, Trenton.
A. Schwartz, Fortinos.
N. Lynette, Oatle.
J. Coffey, Montreal.
A. J. Chalus, Penetanguishene.
P. J. Shannon, Belleville.
M. O'Brien, Lindsay.
Rev. J. J. McEntee, Oshawa.
M. McFarland, Gananoque.
J. F. O'Keefe, Tilbury Centre.

Rev. Father Stanton, Smith's Falls.
P. J. Nevin, Kingsbridge.
Joe. Daclos, Montreal.
P. J. Grace, Montreal.
E. J. Rilly, Toronto.
The report of the Credentials Committee was presented, and on motion was received and adopted.

Report of the Finance Committee.
London, July 20th, 1888.
To the Members of the Grand Council of Canada of the C. M. B. A.

Your Finance Committee respectfully report that they have made a careful examination of the books, vouchers and receipts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, together with the Report of Supplies and find them correct.

Your Committee would also report that the Grand Secretary is entitled to the compliments of this Council for the able, efficient and systematic manner in which his books and accounts are kept, the prosperity and stability of our noble Association being in a large measure due to his efficient and invaluable services. The work of his office has increased threefold during the past two years, owing to extra duties imposed by the last Supreme Convention, and the large increase in our Canadian branches and membership since that date.

Your Committee are fully impressed that the time has now arrived when the work of the Association demands the entire time and attention of your Grand Secretary; and your Committee strongly recommend that Mr. Brown's salary be raised to at least one thousand dollars per annum, which they consider a very moderate sum for such onerous and important duties. This can now be done without imposing any additional burden on the Association, as the revenues of the Grand Council is simply sufficient for this purpose.

In our previous report, adopted at the last Convention, your Committee recommended that a suitable safe be provided for the Grand Secretary's office. They have now to express their regret that this recommendation has not yet been carried out; and they would now respectfully urge that your Finance Committee be authorized to procure a safe without further delay.

Your Committee regret that they have again to call attention to the fact that the report required to be furnished by Branches to this Committee, according to Sec. IV, Art. VII, Branch Constitution, has been neglected by several Branches, while those forwarded by several others were wanting in accuracy. They would again urge upon Branch Secretaries the

necessity of accuracy and promptness in this respect.

J. QUILLINAN,
THOMAS O'NEIL,
JOHN ROMAN
Finance Committee.

St. Peter's Palace.
London, Ont., July 23rd, 1888.
To the Members of the Grand Council of Canada:

GENTLEMEN—I am quite pleased with the following report of your Finance Committee. It shows your work has been done in a thoroughly business manner. The duties of your Grand Secretary have become so onerous that it is absolutely necessary to have him devote his whole time to the work of said office; and as Mr. Brown has our confidence, has given entire satisfaction, for the position, your Council would not wisely in adopting your Committee's report, in your success depends very materially on the manner in which your Secretary discharges his duties; and your financial standing, large number of branches, and continually-increasing membership, justify you in giving Mr. Brown a good remuneration. This is my opinion, but of course I do not wish to press it on the Council.

JOHN WALSH,
Bishop of London,
Grand Spiritual Adviser.

Supreme Recorder's Office,
Brooklyn, N. Y., July 26, 1888.
To the Grand Council of Canada:

BROTHERS—It affords me much pleasure to be able to state that the business of your Council with this office during the past term has been conducted in a most satisfactory manner. The success of every Grand Council is almost entirely dependent on the Grand Secretary's office. I assure you that I consider your Grand Secretary, Bro. Brown, one of the most energetic, efficient and accurate C. M. B. A. officers with whom I transact business, and hope for the welfare of our noble Association, that his services in his present position may long be retained.

Yours fraternally,
JOHN WALSH,
Supreme Recorder.

Grand President's Report.
The Grand President presented his report, giving a sketch of the work of the association during the past two years. He complimented the association on the success which was attending their efforts, and upon the amicable character of the relations existing between the Supreme Council and the Grand Council then assembled.

Two years ago, at the convention of the Grand Council, held at Stratford, only 46 branches with an entire membership of 1900 could be counted. At present there were no less than 85 branches, with a membership of 3220. Two years ago, at the last meeting of the Supreme Council at London, the total membership of Canada and United States was 13,000, but it had now grown to 20,000 members. Since the formation of the present Grand Council in February, 1880, there had been 88 deaths among the members in Canada and the sum of \$170,000 had been paid out to the families of the deceased members. Many of the poor families had been kept together, educated and enabled to grow up good respectable citizens, by these sums paid out. The business of the association had grown to such an extent that he would recommend that the secretary devote his whole time to the association's interest and be compensated for the same.

On motion the report of the Grand President was referred to the Committee on Laws.

Supervising Medical Examiner's Report.
To the President, Officers and Members of the C. M. B. A. Grand Council of Canada:

GENTLEMEN AND BROTHERS—Your Supervising Medical Examiner, in submitting his second bi-annual report, begs leave to congratulate the Grand Council and the Association generally on the very large increase in membership which has taken place in Canada since our last report; and also on the very energetic and efficient manner in which the work of the Association has been done by our Grand Secretary and other officers under the able direction of our highly esteemed Grand President. I have also to thank the local and Branch Examiners for the careful and efficient manner in which they have made their reports, and would respectfully urge on them the necessity of increasing to a still greater extent their care in making examinations and of obtaining as full a report of family history as possible. The necessity of this will be apparent when we look at the large number of deaths from hereditary diseases that take place in our Association every year. During the last term—from the 2nd of August, 1886, to July 1st, 1888—the total number of deaths in our Association has been 277. Of this number 77 deaths have been caused by Phthisis (Consumption)—9 in Canada and 68 in the United States. I would respectfully submit to the Association the necessity of having a private report from one or two friends of the applicant with each medical certificate submitted, in many cases enable the Supervisor to judge better as to the desirability of approving or disapproving the certificate.

As a means of insuring still more care in our medical examinations, and as a simple act of justice to our local Medical Examiners, I would advise increasing the local examiners' fee to a minimum of two dollars, the present fee of one dollar being altogether too small for the amount of time and care required in making the examination and report. I believe that increasing the examiners' fees would be in the best interest of the Association. I would respectfully ask Medical Examiners before sending the certificate to the Supervisor, to return the certificate to the Supervisor in returning certificates to be given on all questions that seem to require them. Full explanations should be given on all questions that seem to require them. I would also ask our Medical Examiners, or other Branch officers sending certificates, to see that the postage is properly prepaid. In the past a great many certificates have been received not properly prepaid, on which double postage has been charged; and as your Supervisor has had no allowance in the past for stationary and postage, he would ask that at least more care be exercised in that respect in the future. Your Supervisor should not be allowed to feel that in making enquiries

regarding applicants by letter, in the interest of the Association, he is at the same time increasing his private account for postage and stationary. The death rate in Canada for the past term has been below the average of that in the majority of life assurance companies, showing that your Medical Examiners have not been neglectful in protecting the Association from the admission of questionable risks. I would urge on all Branch Trustees the necessity of co-operating with the local greatest care be taken not to divulge to a rejected applicant the cause of his rejection, or by whom rejected; this would make the Examiner more independent in performing his duty.

During the past term—from Aug. 2nd, 1886, to June 30th, 1888, inclusive—1653 certificates have been received, of which 1544 have been approved and 109 disapproved. Those disapproved were for the following causes: Not recommended, thirty-two; over age, five; family history and the examination generally unsatisfactory, 5; lungs not healthy, 2; history of epilepsy, 4; family history of phthisis (consumption), 17; over weight and otherwise unsatisfactory, 2; heart disease, 8; intemperance, 11; examination made nearly three months previous to receipt of certificate, 4; had second attack of cerebral hemorrhage, 1; disproportion between height and chest measurements, 2; frequent pulse and high temperature, 1—age 40 years 11 months; ruptured and no truss worn, 1; examination generally unsatisfactory, 5; enlargement of spleen, 1; history of rheumatism, 2; kidney disease, 1; under age, 1; a predisposition to inflammation of bowels and to erysipelas, 1; history of insanity, 1; disease of stomach and urinary organs, 1; scottic disease, 1; history of cancer, 1. Total 109.

The total number of deaths in our Association reported in Canada during the above term was 39. The cause of death in the above was as follows: Phthisis (consumption), 9; pneumonia, 6; cancer, 3; heart disease, 2; accidentally killed, 3; acute alcoholism, 1; disordered stomach and bowels, 1; cerebral disease, 1; congestion of lungs, 1; hepatic and cardiac disease, 1; typhoid fever, 2; endocarditis, 1; Bright's disease, 1; gangrene of legs, 2; inflammation of bowels, 1; acute inflammatory rheumatism, 1; spinal disease, 1; erysipelas, 1; malarial fever, 1. Total 39.

In closing this report I beg leave to thank the Trustees and Grand Council for the confidence reposed in me, and trust that the manner in which I have discharged my duties as Supervisor may meet your approval.

Yours fraternally,
M. J. HANAVAN, M. D.,
Supervising Medical Examiner,
Stratford, July 2d, 1888.

The President appointed the following gentlemen as members of the Laws and Supervision Committee: Messrs. O. K. Fraser, E. Cleary and J. McCabe. Mr. J. O'Meara, as a representative to the Supreme Council in 1886, made a verbal report of the doings of the representatives at the Council. Rev. Father Bardon, another representative, also gave his report.

The Grievance Committee stated that they had nothing to report.

Rev. Father Bardon spoke on incorporation, separation and miscellaneous matters.

The Grand Secretary read a copy of the circular sent to every branch of the association. He reported that this circular had been adopted by every branch excepting that of Chatham. He also presented the reply of the Supreme President.

Short addresses were delivered by E. J. O'Brien, E. R. Campau, P. J. Tansey, S. R. Brown, Rev. Jos. Bloem, L. P. Bland, D. J. Young, J. H. G. Horey, Thos. Coffey, D. J. O'Connor, Rev. J. McEntee and others, and the convention adjourned.

Wednesday's Session.
The members resumed business on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, with the Grand President in the chair.

The opening prayers were recited by Grand Chancellor, Rev. J. P. Molphy.

A QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.
F. R. E. Campau arose to a question of privilege, stating that since his report of yesterday some papers had been handed in relating to an application for membership in branch No. 16, of Prescott, Ontario, which there had been some informalities, and he wished to know what should be done with them.

On motion of Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. Deane, the papers referred to by Mr. Campau were passed over to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

On motion of Grand First Vice President, J. Finn it was decided to admit members of the local branches to seats in the hall.

IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.
Mr. O. K. Fraser then presented the report of the Committee on Laws and Supervision, which on motion of Mr. Deane, seconded by Mr. O'Meara, was received and the convention went into committee of the whole to discuss the report clause by clause. Nearly the whole of the afternoon session was taken up in this committee, a few minutes before six the committee arose and the council resumed, when a vote of thanks was tendered to the Committee on Laws for their excellent report.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
At the evening session the order of nomination and election of officers was taken up. The president appointed the following tellers: Rev. J. P. Molphy, J. A. McCabe and Wm. Leahy. The following were the results of the election: D. J. O'Connor, Grand President.

O. K. Fraser, 1st Vice-President.
J. J. Welner, 2d Vice-President.
S. R. Brown, Secretary.

W. J. McKee, Treasurer.
J. H. Reilly, Marshal.
J. Roame, Guard.

Trustees—E. J. Reilly, Rev. P. Bardon. Representatives to Supreme Council—T. J. Finn, J. O'Meara, E. J. O'Brien. Alternate to Supreme Council—W. J. McKee, T. W. McDermott, F. R. E. Campau.

VICAR GENERAL LAURENT'S ADDRESS.
While the elections were in progress, Very Rev. Father Laurent, V. G. and joint administrator of the diocese, entered the hall and was received by the members all standing and conducted to a seat beside the president. The proceedings were tem-

porarily suspended, and his reverence delivered the following address:

Mr. President: I came to listen and be edified. I assure you gentlemen that it was a grand sight to see you assembled in the cathedral yesterday. Your appearance on the streets of this city was very gratifying. It was remarked to me by many of my Protestant friends, that they were completely taken by surprise to see so fine a body of men, selected as you are from all over Canada. Surely the selection could not have been better. I do not belong to your association because I am too old, but if I do not belong in fact, I do in spirit. I am heartily in favor of the C. M. B. A., and have done all I could to favor it, although perhaps not so much as your president. I think it my duty to encourage your association, all the more so after what I have seen to-day and yesterday. I know it has been productive of much good. Members, since joining, have learned the value of money and are learning how to save. The moral effect of your association is grand. Your society knows no nationality, but is Catholic. It fully wishes of what a Catholic society should be. I consider it the duty of the bishops and clergy to encourage the formation of branches, having as it has the sanction of the Pope, bishops and priests, and God's blessing.

The remarks of the very rev. father were loudly applauded. After spending more than an hour listening to the prolegations, the very rev. father took his departure amid the cheers of the members.

Thursday's Session.
The convention resumed business on Thursday morning at 9:30 with a large attendance, Father Molphy, the Grand Chancellor, opening the session with prayer.

The first business taken up was the consideration of the report of the Committee on Laws. After considerable discussion the report was adopted in full, with the exception of one clause, which recommended that the age limit for initiation be placed at 45 years and that the assessments between 40 and 45 be increased to \$1 per 1,000 and those from 45 to 50 to \$1.50 per \$1,000. The following are the amendments recommended in the report of the committee: To grant the C. M. B. A. Grand Council of Canada the same power to invest their reserve monies as enjoyed by the American Grand Councils. To form the committee on returns and credentials from delegates present at Convention, instead of from members of past convention. To grant power to members to organize branches in districts where more than one language is spoken. To have each application for membership accompanied by statutory declaration of age, etc. To allow meetings in rural districts to be held once a month instead of every two weeks as formerly. To do away with the provision for medical examiners, furnishings, oaths and obligations. To appoint committees to watch the legislation of the various provinces affecting the association.

A discussion took place as to where the next convention should be held. Hamilton, Peterboro', Ottawa and Montreal were recommended, but on a vote being taken it was finally decided that it should be held at Montreal. The Montrealers are highly delighted at the prospect of being able to entertain their brethren there in 1890.

On motion of Mr. O'Mara, seconded by Mr. Finn, a vote of thanks was tendered Grand President D. J. O'Connor for the able manner in which he had performed his duties in the past. A meeting of the trustees was then held and Dr. M. J. Hanavan, of Stratford, was re-appointed Grand Supervising Medical Examiner for the ensuing term.

CROSSING THE LAKE.
In the afternoon the Grand Council and the three Toronto branches of the order, with their friends to the number of about 1,200, boarded the steamer Gibola and were conveyed to Lewiston, where a pleasant time was spent. The trip was a very enjoyable one, old memories being revived and happy meetings at past conventions talked of. The party returned, delighted with their trip, about 9 o'clock. At the Yonge street wharf they were met by the Emeralds, I. C. B. U. and the Celtic League. A procession was formed, and proceeded to the Germania hall, where they were regaled with a sumptuous supper.

At the supper Father Hand acted as chairman, supported on the right by Grand President D. J. O'Connor, and on the left by Very Rev. Father Laurent, Vicar-General.

A number of short speeches were made by the various delegates, and many toasts drank, everybody apparently going in for a good time, and cheer after cheer went up as one toast after another was proposed.

The proceedings at the banquet were characterized by the utmost good feeling, and it is a pleasing recollection that the whole-souled members of the Toronto branches, one and all, worked energetically to entertain in the most royal fashion their visiting brothers.

Montreal, August 10th, 1888.
To S. R. Brown, Esq., Grand Secretary Grand Council of Canada.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—On Thursday evening, August 9th, 1888, I had the pleasant opportunity of organizing St. Jean Baptiste Branch, No. 84 in the basement of St. Jean Baptiste church. The following are the names of its first officers: President—J. P. Grace. First Vice-president—C. Dandelin. Recording Secretary—James H. Howard. Assistant Secretary—J. F. Forget. Financial Secretary—E. H. Murphy. Treasurer—James Pearson, sr. Marshal—Thos. Dooley. Guard—A. Picard.

Trustees for two years, J. P. F. Forget, Jas. Dooley, Wm. Young; trustees for one year, A. Pearson and A. Picard. This Branch starts out with a good membership and bids fair to become one of our leading Branches. In organizing this Branch I was ably assisted by President James Meek, Branch No. 26, President T. P. Tansey, Branch No. 50 and Brothers Spedding and Connolly of Branch 26.

Fraternally yours,
C. O'BRIEN, C. M. B. A. Deputy.

C. M. B. A. Picnic.

The members of Branch No. 13, C. M. B. A., Stratford, Ont., desiring to promote the interests of our Association, and knowing the advantages of frequent interchange of courtesies between Branches, have decided to hold a grand Re-Union Picnic, on the 29th day of August, in the Queen's Park, in the city of Stratford, and have kindly tendered a cordial invitation to the Branches of the association to be present on the occasion.

Arrangements have been made with the Railway Company for reduced fares, and no doubt a large and representative gathering may be expected. The fare from London to Stratford and return, good for two days, is only 10 cents. For any further information address Bro. T. J. Douglas, Sec. Branch 13.

Resolutions of Condolence.
At the last regular meeting of the Ingersoll Branch of the C. M. B. A., No. 19, held in their rooms on the 16th instant, on request, the President appointed a committee to draft a letter of condolence to Brother Robert Keating on the death of his mother.

The committee beg to submit the following: Moved by Brother Jas. O'Callaghan, seconded by Martin J. Fitzgerald, That, Whereas our esteemed Brother Robert Keating, a member of this Branch, has by the divine will sustained the great loss of his beloved mother, by the hand of death, be it resolved:

1st—That this Branch acknowledges the Infinite Wisdom of God in all His decrees, yet we cannot allow the occasion to pass without tendering to Brother Keating and his family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

2nd—Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Brother Keating, and a copy also be sent to the CATHOLIC RECORD, C. M. B. A. Monthly, and local papers for publication.

Signed on behalf of the committee, J. P. HENDERSON, Sec. of Committee.

The resolution of the above committee was unanimously adopted at the meeting held August 6th, 1888, and authorized to be placed on the minutes.

J. P. HENDERSON, Recording Secretary.

Ingersoll, Ontario, July 23, 1888.

At the last regular meeting of Ingersoll Branch of the C. M. B. A., No. 19, held in their rooms on the 16th instant, on request, the President appointed a committee to draft a letter of condolence to Mrs. Robert Frazell.

The committee beg to submit the following: Moved by Brother Thomas Henderson, seconded by Brother James O'Neill, that, Whereas, it has been the will of God to remove from our midst by death our much esteemed brother, Robert Frazell, a member of the branch. Be it

Resolved, That while we accept with proper submission the Divine decree, and acknowledge the Infinite wisdom of Almighty God in all His acts, we nevertheless deplore the loss of our much respected deceased brother, and tender his wife and family our sincere sympathy in their affliction.

Also to Chancellor John Frazell, and to Vice-President Augustus Frazell, brothers of the deceased, and who are members of this Branch.

Resolved, That the charter of the Branch be draped in mourning for the space of two months in memory of our deceased brother.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent Mr. Robert Frazell, and also that a copy be sent by the CATHOLIC RECORD, the C. M. B. A. Monthly and the local papers for publication. Signed on behalf of the committee.

J. P. HENDERSON, Sec. to committee.

The finding of the above committee was unanimously adopted at the regular meeting held August 6th, 1888, and authorized to be placed on the minutes.

J. P. HENDERSON, Recording Secretary.

Reply.
Ingersoll, Aug. 7th, 1888.

To the President, Condolence Committee and Members in general of Branch No. 19 of the C. M. B. A., Ingersoll.

BROTHERS—On behalf of the widow and family of my brother, Robert Frazell, who died on the 16th of July, 1888, and also on behalf of my mother, brothers and sister for the kind attention paid to him during his illness, and on their behalf, desire to express their thanks for the kind resolution and expression of condolence as passed in the resolutions adopted by the Branch of the C. M. B. A. of which he was a member.

Yours fraternally,
JOHN FRAZELL.

OBITUARY.
Mrs. Ann Keating.

We regret very much to announce the death of Mrs. Ann Keating, which occurred at Ingersoll on the 13th instant, in the 83rd year of her age. The deceased lady was relict of the late Simon Keating, a highly respected resident of London. She was most deservedly held in the highest esteem for her many noble Christian qualities, and though she had attained a ripe old age her death will be generally regretted not alone by the members of her family, but by a very large circle of sincere friends. The funeral took place on Sunday, from her late residence, in Ingersoll, to the Catholic cemetery. A solemn requiem mass was on Monday, in the church of the Sacred Heart, offered up for the repose of her soul. May she rest in peace.

Special to the CATHOLIC RECORD.
NOTES FROM HALIFAX.

The various temperance societies celebrated the 15th Aug. (Lady Day) in grand style. About 1,300 hands were well-dressed young men assembled at St. Mary's Cathedral, where High Mass was celebrated and a most eloquent and instructive sermon given by Archbishop O'Brien. After Mass the societies marched through the principal streets headed by four bands. "St. Mary's Young Men" deserve great praise for their very creditable appearance.