leader of a great political party, gave him a representative character and his triumph on the floor of the British House of Commons reflected credit on the Canadian Dominion. (Cheers.) In eloquent language the speaker dealt with the impression made by the crator of the evening quitting all he held most dear in his native home to devote his great abilities to the cause of the land of his forefathers, and he concluded a most effective speech by calling upon the friends of Home Rule to give practical evidence that the spirit of the Irish race was still alive, that the confidence in the success of the movement was unabated and that the proverbial generosity of the people of this city was as warm and effective as in the earliest days of the struggle which they all hoped was now drawing to a successful close. (Loud cheers.)

Hon. John Costigan, who was well received seconded the motion in a brief speech. He endorsed the sentiments so well expressed by Mr. Curran and wished to add his meed of well merited praise to the Hon. Mr. Blake for his disinterested efforts in the cause of Ireland. This movement was a loyal one. As a loyal subject of Her Majesty and a loyal Canadian he was willing at all times to pro-claim his devotion to the land of his forefathers. He hoped the people of Montreal would be equal to the occasion and contribute generously to the fund. Mr. Blake's advocacy was such as to appeal to every fair minded man. (Cheers.)

The collection was then made.

The gentlemen who acted as collectors were: Hon. John Costigan, Hon. J. J. Curran, Hon. J. McShane, Messrs. B. Tansey, Davis, J. Slattery, McMahon, Murphy and Callaghan. At the conclusion, Senator Murphy announced that the total amount received was over \$1,400. To this amount some of the contributions were:—Honorable E. Murphy, \$100; balance from previous collection, \$64.56; Hon. J. Costigan, \$25; Hon. J. McShane, \$100; Guerin Bros. \$200; E. St. Louis, \$50; St. Ann's Y. M. Association, \$25; St. Anthony's Y, M. Association, \$25; B. Tansey, \$10; Mr. Rafferty, \$20; J. R. Duffy, \$50; Mr. Butler, \$50; Daniel Gilmore, \$20; Ludge M. Debesty, \$25; H. I. Varangel, Judge M. Doherty, \$25; H. J. Kavanagh, \$25; Irish-Canaadian, \$5; Mrs. J. Power, "Friends " \$82; Mr.Mc Kenna, \$5; "Friends" \$82; Mr.Mc Kenna, \$10; Mr. Carroll, \$10; D. A. McCas-kill, \$10; Ald. P. Kennedy, M.P.P., \$25; Ald. M. F. Nolan, \$25; M. M. Cloran, \$10; Dr. Hingston, \$50; P. Wright, \$10; J. Slattery, \$10; J. Kilrain, \$10; M. W. Murphy, \$10; T. Boas, \$10; P. Monaghan, \$5; T. Monaghan, Halifax, \$5; Thomas Doherty, \$10; M. Scanlan, \$10; J. Fogarty, \$10; Burroughs and Burroughs, \$5; M.C. Foley, \$5; etc., etc. It was an nounced that the list would remain open until Monday next.

The full list will be published in the

TRUE WITNESS.

Hon. Mr. Blake thanked the meeting for the generous response to his appeal. He said: "I have to thank you heartily for the kindness of your reception, and the practical demonstration of your interest in the cause, shown not less, but even more by the number of the small amounts as by the amount of the large subscriptions. It is to the mass of the Irish people who cannot afford much, but who give what they can afford, that we mainly look, and I am glad to see that in the altered conditions in the States it is cheering and encouraging to find that large sut countrymen here, who give what they can afford." Having referred to the fact than an anti-Home Rule meeting in the same hall only produced \$35, he con-cluded: "I rejoice that the Irish of this city have recognized, no matter what past differences may have been, there is only one policy for the future, and that policy is for all Irishmen to show their sympathy with the cause by word, by pen, by deed, by purse—by such practical demonstrations of their liberality as this of yours to-night." (Cheers.)
A vote of thanks to President Flood

for having occupied the chair, proposed by Mr. Blake, and seconded by Ald. Tansey, closed the proceedings.

Lunched at the Hall.

Hon. Edward Blake was tendered a lunch at the Hall by Hon. J. J. Curran and a number of Mr. Blake's compatriots in the city. The lunch, which was served in the old mess room of the Hall, was up to that hostelry's reputation and was a most enjoyable function. Hon. J. J. Curran, solicitor-general, presided, flesh; it is therefore of the highest value and had on his right the guest of the in Wasting Diseases and Consumption. I to be sent to the family and the press.

day, Hon. Edward Blake, Hon. Edward Murphy, Hon. Jos. Tasse, Mr. Jas. Mc-Shane, Mr. Austin Mosher, Mr. Barry Hayes, of Ottawa, and Ald. D. Tansey, while on his left sat Hon. John Costigan, secretary of state; Mr. J. G. H. Bergeron, M.P., Ald. Villeneuve and others. Around the tables were Messrs. J. P. Whelan, P. Wright, J. K. Foran, A. W. Grenier, Q. C., M. A. Flood, H. J. Kavanagh and others. A feature of the occasion was that Ald. Villeneuve and Mr. McShane pledged each other's health.

Same Same

After the viands had been discussed, Hon. J. J. Curran, in his usual graceful style of speaking, proposed the health of their guest, Hon. Edward Blake, which was enthusiastically honored. Mr. Blake responded briefly, acknowledging the honor that had been done him. In his remarks he referred to the gross distortion of facts relating to Quebec in the Imperial House of Commons, and said that it had afforded him great pleasure to correct those statements and set Quebec right before the world. He regretted that the movement for Home Rule was hampered in the old land by religious bigotry and that a similar condition of affairs in many respects existed in Canada. However, he trusted to the sound common-sense of the people of Canada to see that such intolerance was frustrated and a better understanding of each other brought about. Hon. Senator Tasse also made a short but pithy speech in sympathy with Mr. Blake's objects.

OTTAWA'S ADDRESS.

TO THE HONORABLE EDWARD BLAKE, Q.C. LL.D., Member of the Imperial Parliament for South Longford:

LL.D., Member of the Imperial Parliament for South Longford:

DEAR SIR,—It is with heartfelt pleasure we bid you welcome to-night to our city and to this meeting, so crowded, so enthusiastic, and so representative.

As Irish Canadians, whether by birth or adoption, we are proud of the place you so deservedly hold in the Councils of the Irish Parliamentary Party, and of your brilliant success in the Imperial House of Commons.

Although we do not presume to prescribe a line of conduct to the representatives of the Irish People, we yet may venture to express the hope that the Parliamentary Party will not fail to be distinguished by obedience and yalty to its leaders.

You have yourself paid more than one tribute to the memory and to the work of that illustrious tribune of our people, Charles Stewart Parnell, whose masterful genius, it must be admitted by all, brought Home Rule within the range of practical politics. Yet the question is not one of persons, but of eternal principles; and it is only by the abnegation of personal aims, by observances of discipline, and by loyalty to principles, that the Irish representatives in the Imperial Parliament can retain the confidence of their countrymen at home and abroad, and secure a continuance of their hearty support.

Believing, as wedo, that the pledges on which Mr. Gladstone has staked the existence of his Government will, despite all opposition, be honorably redeemed, and that the Irish policy to which his party is committed will be carried to victory. We feel confident that Home Rule will give not only union and contentment to the Irish people, but, also, stability to the Empire.

Wishing you, on returning to your Parliamentary labors, a hearty God-speed, and sak-

wishing you, on returning to your Parliamentary labors, a hearty God-speed, and asking you to bear from us a message of cheer and good-will to your colleagues, we subscribe ourselves, on behalf of the friends of Home Rule in Ottawa and vicinity,

Yours sincerely,

JOHN COSTIGAN,

John Costigan, M.J. Whelan, John A. Maccabe,

Otlawa, 25th Jan., 1893. ST. ANN'S T. A. & B. SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the St. Ann's T. A. & B. Society was held in St. Ann's hall. The Rev. L. De Ridder, C.SS.R., opened the meeting and the president, Ald. P. Kennedy, M.L.A., occupied the chair. The reports of the treasurer, secretary and auditors were read and adopted. The treasurer's report showed a balance in bank to the credit of the benefit fund of \$5,695.73, an increase of \$264.39 over the previous year. There was also a balance of \$63.50 in the contingent fund. The amount expended in benefits during the year was \$500.

The following officers were elected for

the ensuing year: Rev. L. DeRidder, C.SS.R., spiritual director; Mr. P. Flannery, president; Mr. Jas. Shannahan, vice-president; Mr. Jas. McGuire, secretary; Mr. Thos. Rodgers, assistant secre-tary; Mr. M. J. Ryan, treasurer; Mr. Thos. Ward, collecting treasurer; Mr. John Ryan, assistant collecting treasurer; Mr. P. Malone, marshal; Mr. W. Donnelly, assistant marshal; executive committee: Messrs. M. Bardon, W. Howlett, W. Welsh, M. J. Mullan, John Leonard, Jas. Reilly, W. Cullan, D. Gahan, M. Crowe, John Hagan and E. Morris.

Don't Wait for the Sick Room. The experience of physicians and the public proves that taking Scott's Emulsion produces an immediate increase in CATHOLIC MUTUALBENEFIT ASSOCIATION.

ADVISORY COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Advisory Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association for the district of Montreal was held at the Seminary Hall. Notre Dame street, Friday night. District Deputy A. H. Spedding, of branch 140, occupied the chair. Amongst those present were President M. Murphy, of branch 74; President C. O'Brien, of branch 54; President P. C. Shannon, of branch 191; President P. Reynolds of branch 26; Treasurer P. McCoy, of branch 191; Chancellor Jos. E. Morrison, Grand Deputy T. J. Finn, District Deputy Daudelin, Brothers Wm. Smith, P. McGoldrick, Robert Warren and W. Palmer. The various reports were submitted by Assistant Grand Secretary J. E. H. Howison. Considerable business of importance was transacted, after which the election of officebearers for the ensuing year was pro-ceeded with and resulted as follows: President, A. H. Spedding; First Vice-President, Joseph E. Morrisson; Second Vice-President, Jos. Beland; Secretary, J. E. H. Howison; Treasurer, Wm. Smith; Marshal, M. Murphy; Guard, N. Chamberlain.

branch 87, grand council of canada. At the last meeting of the above Branch, the following officers were elected: Spiritual Adviser, Rev. Robillard; Chancellor, J. E. H. Howison; President, Aug. Depatie; Second Vice-President, Joseph Therien; Recording Secretary, Joseph Courtois; Assistant Recording Secretary, M. A. Campeau; Financial Secretary, J. A. Deniper; Treasurer, Alph. Desjardins; Marshal, J. Saulniers; Guard, Oct. Lanoix; Trustees, P. Gauthier, M. A. Campeau, C. B. McKercher, J. E. Morin, J. R. deCotret; Representative to Grand Council, J. E. H. Howison; Alternate Representative, Jos. Beland. District Deputy Daudelin installed the officers.

BRANCH 143 GRAND COUNCIL OF CANADA The following officers were installed at the last meeting of the above branch by District Deputy A. H. Spedding: President and Spiritual Director, Rev. Chas. Laroque; first Vice-President, F. N. Fournier; second Vice-President, Joseph Kiefer; Recording Secretary, Henri Kieffer; Assistant Recording Secretary, N. Theoret; Financial Secretary, A. Lambert; Treasurer, H. Lamy; Marshal. J. B. Aubry; Guard, F. X. Trappier; Trustees, J. L. E. Doray, N. Theoret, J. Kieffer, O. Vinette and F. X. Des

AN ENJOYABLE EVENT. After the regular meeting of Branch 26, C. M. B. A., the other evening, in Glenora Hall, a very enjoyable "At Home" was held. Mr. P. Reynolds presided. The attendance was much larger than anticipated. The handsome hall was soon filled, but the officers were most assiduous in their efforts to make those present feel at home, and they were most successful. The proceedings were opened by an address from President Reynolds. A varied programme of vocal and instrumental music followed, the following taking part:
Messrs. Mi.loy, Reid, J. Palmer, T. Foy,
jr., T. Tansey, Misses Reynolds, Ward
and Harkenstein. Mrs. G. A. Prince
presided at the piano. The floor was
afterwards cleared for dancing, which,
needless to say, was much enjoyed. Refreesbenonts were served at eleven o'clock freshments were served at eleven o'clock, and after justice had been done to the good things provided dancing was resumed, and the party broke up shortly after 1 o'clock, all being highly pleased with their evening's pleasure. Before the close the committee was requested by a large number of the ladies who were present to repeat the "At Home" at an

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

The following resolutions was adopted at the regular meeting of the Advisory Council for the district of Montreal of the C.M.B.A. Grand Council of Canada. It was moved by Grand Deputy T. J. Finn, seconded by Representative P. McGoldrick, that:

McGoldrick, that:

Whereas, it has been the will of Almighty God to call to Himself our esteemed brother, James McEntyre, member of Branch 26, be it therefore resolved, that while bowing in humble submission to the omnipotent decrees of an all-wise Providence, Who does all things for the best, we hereby tender the family of our deceased brother our deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement, and we pray Almighty God may protect and guide them and grant them spiritual consolation in their great sorrow.

Copies of the resolution were ordered

ST. MARY'S SOCIAL WHIRL.

Owing to the great success of the last-Japanese Tea held in St. Mary's Hall, and the general desire on the part of the public for a similar social whirl on Shrove Tuesday, we understand that the young ladies who brought the last to so successful an issue are about giving another Russian Carnival Tea, in the form of a royal symposium, on Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 6th. We may add that the social is got up by a local committee of young ladies, in aid of the orphans of St. Mary's Parish. The ladies have been so fortunate as to secure for the occasion the best local talent, supplemented by that of several well-known musicians.



Mrs. A. A. Williams

Lynn, Mass. For the Good of Others

Rev. Mr. Williams Heartily Endorses Hood's Sarsaparilla.

We are pleased to present this from Rev. A. A. Williams, of the Sillsbee street Christian Church, Lynn, Mass.:

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Article of Merit

and worth, from which he or his family have been signally benefited, and whose commenda-tion may serve to extend those benefits to others by increasing their confidence. My wife has for many years been a sufferer from severe

Nervous Headache

for which she found little help. She has tried many things that promised well but performed little. Lastfall a friend gave her a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It seems surprising what simply one bottle could and did do for her. The attacks of headache decreased in number and were less violent in their lutensity, while her general health has been improved. Her appetite has also been better. From our experience with

Hood's Sarsaparilla

I have no hesitation in endorsing its merits."
A. A. Williams.

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St. Lawrence Ward

CANDIDATE.

Record your vote early, on 1st February, for Ald. James, who is worthy of your support in this election. Advise your friends to use their franchise in his favor.

Information on Polling day will be gladly given at the Committee

Central Committee room-98 Bleury street.

> 244 St. Lawrence street. 84 Prince Arthur street.