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REPORT
OF THE
Central Council
OF TORONTO.
1899.

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ferences, whose addresses will be found in the
Report.



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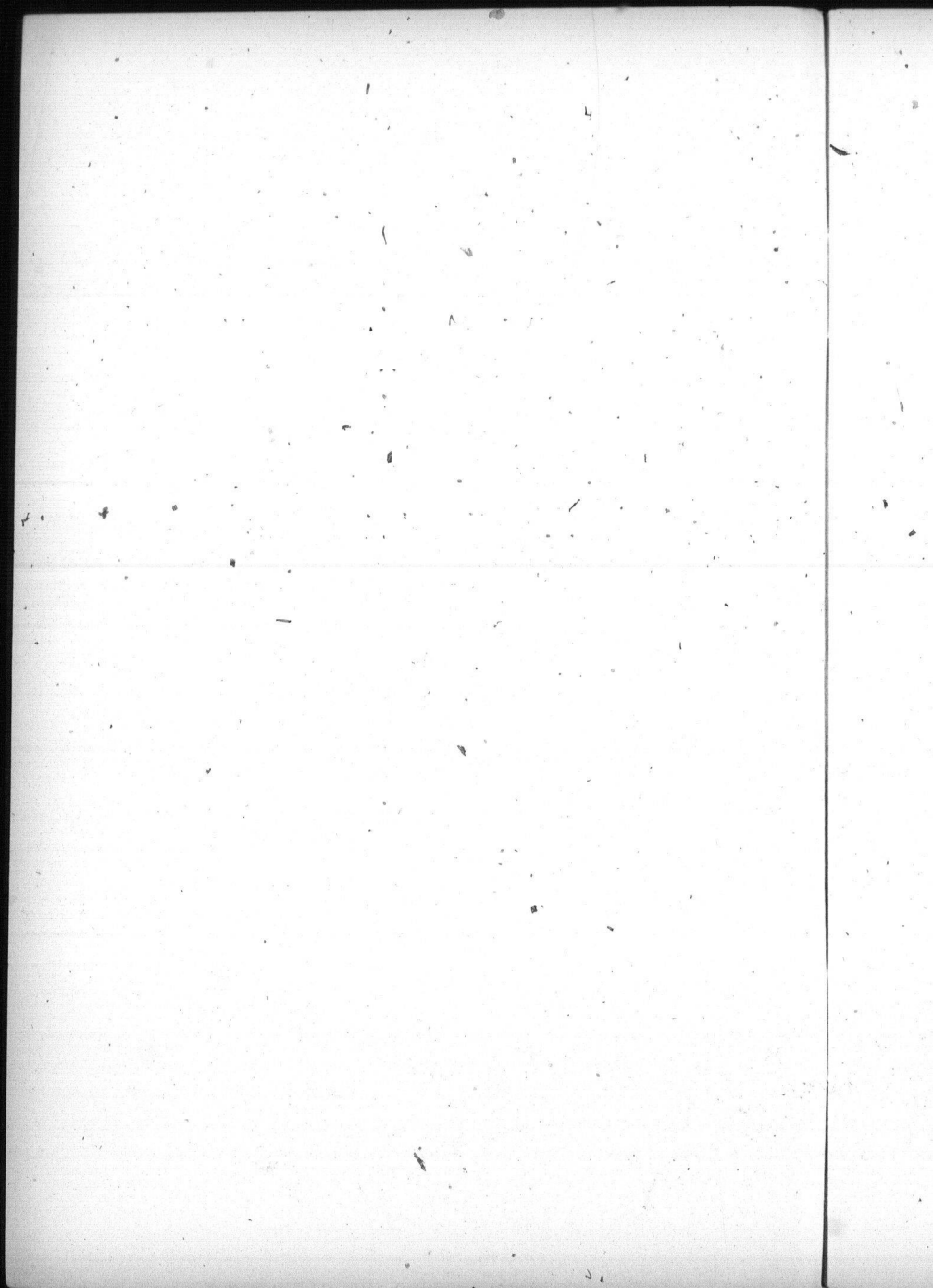
I give and Bequeath to the Particular Council of
_____, of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (or to the
Conference of _____ of the Society of St. Vincent de
Paul at _____) the sum of _____ dollars, to be used
and applied for any of the charitable purposes of the said
Council (or Conference); and I declare that the receipt in
writing of the President, Treasurer and Secretary for the
time being of that Council (or Conference), or of any two
of them, shall be sufficient discharge for the said Bequest.

SOCIETY
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REPORT
OF THE
CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TORONTO
FOR THE YEAR 1899.

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SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

Report of the Central Council of Toronto
FOR THE YEAR 1899.

During the past year one new Conference was organized and aggregated to the Society—St. Peter-in-Chains of Trenton, in the Diocese of Kingston (aggregated 4th December, 1899). At the close of the year the number of Conferences was 29, and of these, all have reported except three. Two Conferences that were in abeyance the previous year have revived, and two are still in abeyance. One of the non-reporting Conferences—Our Lady of Brantford—has been interrupted in its work by the long and serious illness of the President and other changes in the officers, but succeeded in reorganizing towards the close of the year, and it is hoped that it will not be missing from the next Annual Report. The following pages, therefore, contain reports from three Councils and twenty-six Conferences.

The number of active members at the end of 1899 was 486, and the average attendance at meetings 245. The number of families relieved was 596, and the total number of persons relieved, 2,155.

The receipts for the year, exclusive of the balances from previous year, amounted to \$6,727.47, and of this amount \$1,139.78 was contributed by the members at their weekly meetings. The expenditure for the year amounted to \$6,190.95, and the balances on hand on the 31st December, 1899, were \$2,512.78—only one Conference showing a deficit.

In order to secure uniformity in the Annual Reports, the Central Council has, since its institution, sent blank forms to the Councils and Conferences of the circumscription, and it is expected that they will be used, and two at least promptly returned to the Council, properly filled up. The form used for the last report has been adapted from

one kindly sent to this Council by the President of the Particular Council of New York, and contains a number of *questions on the works of the Conference* which the Presidents are requested to answer. Several have replied to the questions, and have given the details of the works carried on by the Conferences, which are very interesting and edifying, but the greater number have either omitted to answer altogether, or have given but few particulars. A circular letter addressed to the Councils and Conferences of France by the President-General a short time ago bears particularly on this point. He presses upon their attention the necessity of preparing and sending in complete and carefully made up reports containing the statistics of the Conference, and asks "what would become of a merchant if he neglected to make out his balance sheet every year, and to ascertain the profit and loss made by his business? In the same way it may be asserted that an association which does not try to make a serious examination of conscience, at least once a year, is exposing itself to the danger of decay. The statistics ought to be discussed in Conference, and all the questions put by the Council ought to be answered, as each has its special object, and in order to have the report full and complete the greater part of one of the meetings of the month of January in each year should be set apart for the work."

From the replies received with the last report, it appears that the principal and fundamental work of the Society—*visiting the poor in their homes*—has been fairly well carried out by the conferences; but a few evidently neglect this important duty altogether or perform it very carelessly. They seem to imagine that, as the members know the circumstances of the families applying for relief, it is not necessary to visit them regularly. This is a mistake that Presidents should not allow to prevail.

With regard to the observance of the Festivals of the Society, the replies received indicate that the isolated Conferences—those outside the cities where there are Particular Councils—do not keep the feasts very regularly. The same remark applies to the article of the Rule which requires a spiritual reading at the meetings after the opening prayer. This, it is recommended, should be short, interesting and practical and each member should be called upon to perform the duty in turn. It is also

observed that several of the Conferences do not subscribe for the Bulletin of the Society, which contains so much information on the operations of the Society in general—necessary for members to know if they wish to keep in touch with the spirit of the Society. The English Bulletin of the Society has been the subject of a communication addressed to this Council by the President-General during the year, in which he states that he cannot understand the want of support shown by the Canadian Conferences where the English language is in use. This is no doubt, in most cases, the result of carelessness; but it has, nevertheless, been the occasion of some embarrassment to the Council of Ireland who publish the English Bulletin, and during the past year the Council-General were obliged to come to its assistance. The President-General hopes that the Conferences within the circumscription of the Council of Toronto will at once recognize the claims of the Bulletin, subscribe for at least one copy of it, and that Presidents will encourage the reading of it by members. The yearly subscription is only about 65 cents, and it may be ordered either through this Council, or direct from the office of publication, 50 Upper Sackville street, Dublin.

The President-General has favored this Council with the following letter:

(TRANSLATION.)

PARIS, 9th February, '99.

SIR AND DEAR BROTHER,—We were very much pleased to receive the Annual Report of the Central Council of Toronto—the first published since the institution of the Council.

The good results already apparent prove how much this organization was needed, and how much we may expect it to contribute to the propagation of our work in Canada. Three new conferences have already been added to the 23 which were originally attached to the Council, and we have great hopes that the year 1899 will not be less fruitful in happy results.

The Council General was happy to notice the increase in works, apart from that of visiting the poor in their homes, which have been taken up by our brothers. To the work of visiting the hospitals, etc., and that of managing parochial libraries you have added the night school in

'St. Nicholas' Home. No good work meets more fully the wants of the present day than that which interests itself specially in the care of youth and aims at providing for our working classes of the future, heads of families who will be thoroughly Christian. We would like to indulge the hope of seeing some day in Toronto a patronage for young apprentices and working men organized on the model of the one which has been working so beneficially in Quebec for many years.

We are deeply affected by the interest taken in your works by your Venerable Archbishop, and it was well that you were in a position to show gratitude by immediately complying with his request and welcoming to your chapel of St. Vincent's Hall, the Greek Catholics, who have sought a refuge in Canada. They are persecuted and unfortunate brothers who are entitled to the charity of the society.

Receive sir and dear brother the assurance of my affectionate devotion.

A. PAGES, Pres. Genl.

At the general meeting of the society held on the 23rd July, 1899—the first that occurred after the elevation of His Grace the Most Reverend Dr. O'Connor to the Archbishopric of Toronto—he kindly consented to be present, and received the respectful congratulations of the society. His Grace was informed of the position and standing of the society in the city of Toronto and in the archdiocese, and also of the honor conferred upon it by his predecessor who had been pleased to accept the position of patron, and he was solicited to honor the society by accepting a similar position. This request was graciously acceded to, and His Grace assured the meeting that he took a deep interest in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, hoped that it would increase in membership and promised that he would endeavor to assist them every way he could in carrying on the good works they had undertaken.

The Central Council is under obligations to our brothers of the Particular Councils of Hamilton and London and of the conferences of Our Lady of Guelph, Our Lady of Lindsay and St. Joseph of Chatham for contributions towards the expenses connected with the work of the Council.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF TORONTO.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT 1898 AND 1899.

	1898.	1899.
Conferences reporting.....	10	10
Number of members.....	194	158
Average attendance.....	92	88.
Number of families relieved.....	341	388
Number of persons relieved.....	1,226	1,259
Number of visits made.....	4,112	3 108
Receipts for the year.....	\$2,544.53	\$2 850 89
Contributed by members.....	334.68	306 84
Total relief for the year.....	2,589.51	2,505.69
Balances on hand.....	864.74	1,197.85

The conference of St. Patrick reports on two special works which have been managed by the conference for some years—the Parish Library which now contains over one thousand volumes. It is kept open every Sunday afternoon by two of the members.

The Conference has charge of a building which is used as a house of refuge for five or six aged and destitute widows. They have apartments therein, rent free, and the Conference keeps the house in repair and pays the water rates besides granting relief to such of the inmates as are in need.

The Conference of Our Lady of Lourdes has assisted in placing three children in the Orphanage, and has also collected a quantity of clothing which has been distributed amongst the poor families.

The Conference of St. Basil has a library in the church porch which is open every Sunday and managed by two of the members. It now contains 1,552 volumes. The Conference also supplies the children of the Sunday school with a semi-monthly paper.

The Hospital Board, composed of representatives from five of the Conferences, visits the General Hospital every Sunday afternoon. During the year it expended \$49.08 in providing prayer books and interesting reading matter for the patients in the General and St. Michael's Hospitals, for the boys in St. Nicholas' Institute and in the St. John's Industrial School, and also for the children in the Sacred

Heart Orphanage at Sunnyside. The night school for the working boys in St. Nicholas', which was unavoidably delayed until January, was attended by thirty-two boys, and according to the report of the teacher, during the period it was open—three months—they were punctual and attentive to the work assigned to them and gave every evidence of appreciation of the advantages offered. With the approval of His Grace the Archbishop, the Reverend Mother Superior of St. Joseph's Convent placed one of the sisters, an experienced teacher, in charge of the night school.

The several Conferences of the city have received special donations from a number of benefactors. To the following, as well as those whose names are not known, the thanks of the society are heartily tendered :

His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto,

Dr. Goldwin Smith,	L. J. Cosgrave,
Eugene O'Keefe,	Rev. E. Murray,
Peter Ryan,	Rev. J. J. Hand,
John Hanrahan,	Rev. L. Minehan,
John Laxton,	Thomas Flynn,
Mrs. John Foy,	Rev. F. Rohleder,
Mrs. Falconbridge,	John Hallam,
W. Woods,	R. F. Coady,
Wm. Clark,	G. B. MacAuley,
M. G. George,	Neil Keith,
J. J. O'Hearn,	J. E. Boss,
Charles Schmidt,	B. Haels,
W. Lee & Sons,	W. Scully,
V. M. Rich,	G. P. McGann,
Mrs. Quinn,	P. Boyle,
A. W. McKay,	James Mitchell,
St. Paul's Ladies' Sodality,	Dr. McKenna,
St. Joseph's Court, C.O.F.,	John Walsh,
Knights of St. John, St.	Mrs. Nassr,
Paul and St. Leo.	Division No. 4, A. O. H.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF LONDON.

REPORTS FOR 1898 AND 1899 COMPARED.

	1898.	1899.
Conferences reporting	2	2
Number of members	37	59
Average attendance	24	27
Number of families relieved	39	51
“ of persons relieved	194	279
“ of visits made	640	682
Receipts for the year	\$755 51	\$1,266 64
Contributed by members	126 95	143 78
Total relief for the year	676 53	1,259 61
Balances on hand	200 26	209 11

The Council of London reports, that they have been very fortunate in receiving from a lady benefactor a bequest of a piece of property which has been disposed of, and the funds used in carrying on the works of the Conferences. The Council has appointed a committee to meet periodically with a similar body belonging to the Children of Mary, for conference and exchange of notes relative to the poor families helped by both Societies. They have found these conferences very beneficial, as they are supplied with valuable information not otherwise obtainable. The Council has also representatives on the Children's Aid Society of London and the Associated Charities, a city organization, whose object is to prevent imposture, to provide work for those in need, and procure plots of land and a supply of seed for those who are willing to cultivate and raise vegetables. During the last summer 49 persons secured plots for raising potatoes, and their efforts were very successful, as their harvest averaged over 25 bushels each. This appears to be a work similar to one referred to in the last General Report of the Society in France called "Gardens for Workmen." It has already been taken up by several of the French Conferences.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF HAMILTON.

REPORTS OF 1898 AND 1899 COMPARED.

	1898.	1899.
Conferences reporting.....	4	4
Number of members.....	83	89
Average attendance.....	53	56
Number of families relieved.....	86	65
“ of persons relieved.....	241	255
Receipts for the year	\$1,236 92	\$1,205 16
Contributed by members.....	350 35	372 77
Total relief for the year.....	1,149 66	1,066 15
Balance on hand	683 44	792 69

The Conference of St. Patrick visits the hospitals every Sunday and distributes reading. This Conference also purchased a quantity of materials for a basket-maker, enabling him to carry on his business and earn a living.

The Conference of St. Joseph had a case of great hardship to attend to during the year. An aged couple were discovered in an outhouse where their poverty had compelled them to take refuge, and the misery and squallor of which cannot be described. A room was secured by the Conference and partly furnished, and the old couple removed to it. They are now in comparative comfort, as the place they had left was not fit for cattle, and has since been torn down.

ISOLATED CONFERENCES.

The Conference of Our Lady of Guelph mentions two special cases. The first was that of a poor family who arrived in the city entirely destitute, and with a sick father. They were supplied with a stove, furniture and bedding, and were visited weekly and assisted until the father recovered and was able to work. The children also were comfortably clad, and enabled to attend school regularly.

Several years ago a poor family was assisted by the Conference, and loaned a sum of money to enable them to tide over a crisis. Having attained to better circumstances, the money was all paid back during the past year.

The Conference is very vigilant in looking after neglected children. Several have been placed in comfortable homes, and others in the Orphans' Home at Dundas. In this good work they are encouraged and assisted by the parish priest and the solicitor. So far as known, this is the only Conference within the circumscription that has adopted the beautiful devotion of the nocturnal adoration. The members supply the guard of honor in the parish church from Holy Thursday evening to Good Friday morning.

ORILLIA.—The Conference of the Angel Guardian reports having sent a poor woman to St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto; while there, they paid half of the expenses, and had the satisfaction of learning that it was the means of saving her life.

KINGSTON.—The Conference of St. Mary Immaculate reports that the members visit the poor families regularly, and endeavor to get parents to send their children to school, and also to induce both parents and children to attend Mass regularly. They also look after neglected children who are taken in charge by the Children's Aid Society. During the year they secured the baptism of three children between 1 and 4 years of age, who had been neglected by their parents.

CHATHAM.—The Conference of St. Joseph assisted a poor family whose head was a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital; the members visited him there until he died.

Another patient in the General Hospital was visited by some of the members who were the means of securing for him the consolations of religion before he died. The mother of a family of four children, who was in delicate health, was also placed in St. Joseph's Hospital until she recovered.

LINDSAY.—The Conference of Our Lady reports that a Home for the Aged has been established in the town, and several persons formerly relieved by the Society have found refuge there. Three of the members are on the Management Committee of this Home. One old lady refuses to become an inmate, although she would be more comfortable there than living alone, and the Conference assists her.



DIRECTORY AND STATISTICS
OF THE
COUNCILS AND CONFERENCES

Within the Circumspection of the Central
Council of Toronto.
1899.

DIRECTORY.

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TORONTO.

INSTITUTED BY THE COUNCIL GENERAL 26TH JULY, 1897.

PATRON:

THE MOST REV. THE ARCHBISHOP OF TORONTO.

PRESIDENT—J. J. Murphy.....	49 Hazleton Ave
VICE-PRESIDENTS—Alexander Macdonell.....	123 Huron St.
“ John Ronan.....	Wellington St North, Hamilton
SECRETARY—J. P. McCarthy.....	37 Portland St Toronto
TREASURER—Hugh T. Kelly.....	87 Charles Street, Toronto
COUNCILLORS—J. M. Keary.....	London
“ O. Labelle.....	do
“ A. Vinette.....	Peterborough
“ J. E. McElderry.....	Guelph
“ Remy Elmsley.....	Toronto
“ J. J. Seitz.....	do

The Central Council meets on the second Wednesday of each month in St. Vincent's Hall, corner of Shuter and Victoria Streets.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF TORONTO.

Instituted 19th December, 1853.

PRESIDENT—J. J. Murphy.....	49 Hazleton Ave.
VICE-PRESIDENT—Alexander Macdonell.....	123 Huron St.
SECRETARY—J. P. McCarthy.....	37 Portland St.
TREASURER—Thos. B. Winterberry.....	132 Shuter St.
ASSISTANT TREASURER—Matthew Meyer.....	83 McCaul St.

The Council meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at 7:45 p.m.; in St. Vincent's Hall.

CONFERENCES.

OUR LADY.

Aggregated 13th June, 1851.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. F. Ryan;.....	St. Michael's Palace
PRESIDENT—Mark Keilty.....	205 Jarvis St.
VICE-PRESIDENT—M. J. Phelan.....	134 Shuter St.
SECRETARY—Thomas B. Winterberry.....	132 Shuter St.
TREASURER—Alex. Thompson.....	319 Yonge St.
HOSPITAL COMMITTEE—James Connor, F. Beale.	

Meets every Sunday after last Mass. in St. Vincent's Hall.

ST. PAUL.

Aggregated 19th December, 1853.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. L. Hand..... Power St.
 PRESIDENT—Maurice W. Devane..... 35 Davies Ave.
 VICE-PRESIDENTS—Edward Stubbs and P. Hynes.....
 SECRETARY—James Wright..... 78 Oak St.
 TREASURER—Thomas Harris..... 4 Radenhurst St.
 HOSPITAL COMMITTEE—P. Hynes, M. J. Martin and J. Wright.

Meets every Sunday, after last Mass, in St. Ann's Hall.

ST. MARY.

Aggregated 13th June, 1859.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Very Rev. J. J. McCann, V.G. ... Macdonell Square
 PRESIDENT—Martin J. Burns..... 649 Queen St. W.
 VICE-PRESIDENTS—Charles Lafrancois, Dr. A. J. McDonagh.....
 SECRETARY—John J. Murphy..... 132 Strachan Ave.
 TREASURER—J. J. Doyle..... 504 Queen St. W.
 ASSISTANT-TREASURER—M. J. Duffy

Meets every Sunday at 2.30 p.m. in St. Mary's School.

ST. BASIL.

Aggregated 31st October, 1859.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. L. Brennan..... St. Michael's College
 PRESIDENT—Hugh T. Kelly..... 87 Charles St.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—D. Miller 62 Bloor St. W.
 SECRETARY—Wm. M. Moylan 54 Macpherson Ave.
 TREASURER—William O'Connor..... 10 Malborough Ave.
 HOSPITAL COMMITTEE—Thos. Kirby, P. Kelly.....
 LIBRARIAN—Wm. O'Connor.

Meets every Sunday at 12.30 p.m. in the Conference Room, St. Basil's Church.

ST. PATRICK,

Aggregated 20th March, 1864.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. Father Dodsworth..... 137 McCaul St.
 PRESIDENT—William Burns..... 209 Simcoe St.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—E. J. Hearn..... 21 Grange Ave.
 SECRETARY—Alexander Macdonell 123 Huron St.
 TREASURER—M. Meyer..... 83 McCaul St.
 LIBRARIANS—Messrs. J. Kelz and W. Ray.....
 HOSPITAL COMMITTEE—M. Meyer and Frank J. Walsh.....

Meets every Sunday at 12.30 p.m., in Vestry of the Church.

ST. PETER.

Aggregated 23rd May, 1887.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. L. Minehan, P.P.	Bloor St. W.
PRESIDENT—John Rodgers	27 Major St.
VICE-PRESIDENT—John Dunbar	679 Crawford St.
SECRETARY—John Halley	Jersey Ave.
TREASURER—Wm. Norris	507 Christie St.

Meets every Sunday, after last Mass, in the Church.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES.

Aggregated 6th November, 1889.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. M. Cruise	St. John's Grove
PRESIDENT—James A. Gorman	18 Glen Road
VICE-PRESIDENT—F. C. Law	504 Sherbourne St.
SECRETARY—John R. Lee	33 Howard St.
TREASURER—John Monaghan	18 Amelia St.
HOSPITAL COMMITTEE—John R. Lee, J. J. Walsh	

Meets every Sunday at 12.30 p.m. in the Vestry of the Church.

SACRED HEART.

Aggregated 6th November, 1889.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. P. Lamarche, P.P.	King St. E.
PRESIDENT—L. V. Dusseau	133 Duchess St.
SECRETARY—Louis V. Bachand	
TREASURER—J. Belanger	52 College St.

Meets every Sunday at 12.30 p.m. in the basement of the Church.

ST. HELEN.

Aggregated 30th November, 1891.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. James Walsh	288 Lansdowne Ave.
PRESIDENT—Vincent P. Fayle	273 Lansdowne Ave.
VICE-PRESIDENT—Thomas Ryan	1334 Queen St. W.
Do M. Cullen	23 Wydham St.
TREASURER—Peter Temple	1876 Queen St. W.

Meets every Sunday at 12.30 p.m. in the Vestry.

ST. JOSEPH.

Aggregated 14th February, 1895.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. J. McEntee	172 Leslie St.
PRESIDENT—Joseph Kirby	6 Graham Place
VICE-PRESIDENT—	
SECRETARY—Richard J. Howorth	10 Brooklyn Ave.
TREASURER—Louis Fitzgerald	48 Brooklyn Ave.

Meets on Sunday at 8 p.m. in the Church.

HOSPITAL WORK.

PRESIDENT—Patrick Hynes.....181 Wilton Av.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—.....
 SECRETARY—.....
 TREASURER—Joseph J. Murphy.....

Meets the last Sunday of each month at 4.30 p.m., in St. Vincent's Hall.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF LONDON.

Instituted 26th May 1879.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—His Lordship the Bishop of London.....
 PRESIDENT—O. Labelle.....646 Waterloo St.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—E. C. Green.....321 Dufferin Ave.
 SECRETARY—J. E. Costello.....85 Clarence St.
 TREASURER—P. Walsh.....431 Piccadilly St.

Meets first Sunday of each month at 3 p.m. in St. Peter's school-house.

CONFERENCES.

OUR LADY.

Aggregated 21st September, 1863.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. P. McKeon.....Bishop's Palace
 PRESIDENT—D. A. Dibb.....246 Hyman St.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—M. Gould.....462 Colborne St.
 " "—Peter McGlade.....531 Richmond St.
 SECRETARY—P. H. Kananan.....154 Maple St.
 TREASURER—J. Denahy.....126 Sydenham

Meets every Sunday, after High Mass, in St. Peter's school-room.

THE SACRED HEART.

PRESIDENT—James Ward.....471 Simcoe St.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—Wm. P. Regan.....High St.
 SECRETARY—Joseph Pevler.....465 Hill St.
 TREASURER—James P. Murray.....181 Central Ave.

Meets every Sunday, at 12 o'clock, in St. Mary's School.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF HAMILTON.

Instituted 29th March, 1880.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. M. Mahony.....St. Mary's Presbytery
 PRESIDENT—John Ronan.....Wellington St. N.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—A. O'Brien.....James St. N.
 SECRETARY—A. C. Best.....Hunton St. W.
 TREASURER—F. Burdett.....McNab St. N.

Meets first Sunday of the month, after Vespers, in St. Mary's Presbytery.

CONFERENCES.

OUR LADY.

Aggregated 28th June, 1866.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. M. Mahony.....The Rectory
 PRESIDENT—Thomas Walsh.....337 York
 VICE-PRESIDENT—Nicholas A. Bucke.....167 Catharine St. N.
 SECRETARY—Francis Stevens.....John St. N.
 TREASURER—Patrick Arland.....Colborne St.

Meets on Sunday, after High Mass, in St. Mary's Parish Hall.

ST. PATRICK.

Aggregated.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. H. Coty.....Corner Main and East Sts.
 PRESIDENT—Charles S. fields.....Catharine St.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—C. F. Baikie.....
 SECRETARY—W. H. Lovering.....82 Grant Ave.
 TREASURER—W. Carroll.....Cor. Wilson and Emerald Sts.

Meets every Sunday, after High Mass, in St. Patrick's Chapel.

ST. LAWRENCE.

Aggregated.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. R. Brady.....
 PRESIDENT—John Flahaven.....
 VICE-PRESIDENT—Bernard McMahon.....
 SECRETARY—Charles Marriott.....
 TREASURER—John Fleming.....

Meets every Sunday, after High Mass, in the basement of the church.

ST. JOSEPH.

Aggregated.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. J. J. Hinchy.....260 Herkimer St.
 PRESIDENT—Samuel Cheeseman.....644 King W.
 VICE-PRESIDENT—William Mundy.....459 King West
 SECRETARY—James P. Melody.....28 Bruce St.
 TREASURER—Vincent Edwards.....96 Pearl St. N.

Meets every Sunday, at 12 o'clock, in St. Joseph's church.

ISOLATED CONFERENCES.

OUR LADY—GUELPH.

Aggregated 6th March, 1872.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. Father O'Loane, S.J.
 PRESIDENT—J. E. E'derry.....
 VICE-PRESIDENT—Wm. O'Colnor.....
 SECRETARY—Frank Nunan.....
 TREASURER—Frank H. Frank.....

Meets every Sunday, at 12 o'clock, in the basement of the church.

OUR LADY—LINDSAY.

Aggregated 16th September, 1872.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rt. Rev. Mgr. Laurent
 PRESIDENT—P. J. Hurley.....
 VICE PRESIDENT—L. O'Connor.....
 SECRETARY—W. F. O'Boyle.....
 TREASURER—A. Primeau.....

Meets every Sunday, at 8 o'clock p.m., in the Vestry of the Church.

OUR LADY—BRANTFORD.

Aggregated 18th November, 1878.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. P. Lennon.....
 PRESIDENT—William Cutmore..... 199 William St.
 VICE PRESIDENTS—Patrick Ryan and William Dunne.....
 SECRETARY—John Ryan.....
 TREASURER—J. Daley.....

Meets every Sunday, after High Mass, in the School-house.

ST. PETER—PETERBOROUGH.

Aggregated 22nd March, 1886.

PRESIDENT—A. Vinette.....
 VICE-PRESIDENT—T. J. Doris.....
 SECRETARY—H. CARVETH.....
 TREASURER—J. C. SULLIVAN.....

Meets every Sunday after Mass in the Vestry of the Church.

THE ANGELS GUARDIAN—ORILLIA.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. M. Moyna, P.P.....
 PRESIDENT—William Thomson.....
 VICE-PRESIDENT—R. A. Lynch... ..
 SECRETARY—D. J. Moore.....
 TREASURER—William Thomson.....

Meets on Sunday at 12.30 o'clock in the Church.

ST. MARY—COLLINGWOOD.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. E. J. Kiernan, P.P.
 PRESIDENT—John J. Long
 VICE-PRESIDENT—James Guilfoyle
 SECRETARY—W. J. Slean
 TREASURER—M. P. Byrnes

Meets every alternate Sunday after Mass in St. Mary's Chapel.

ST. MARY—NEWMARKET.

PRESIDENT—Thomas McTeague
 VICE-PRESIDENT—Luke Doyle
 SECRETARY—James McLaughlin
 TREASURER—Stephen Doyle

Meets every alternate Sunday at 1 o'clock in the Church.

ST. ALPHONSUS—WINDSOR.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR—Rev. Dr. Flannery, P.P.
 PRESIDENT—Francis Cleary
 VICE PRESIDENTS—J. L. Murphy and John Mooney
 SECRETARY—W. A. Conway
 TREASURER—Thomas Chittles

Meets every Sunday after Mass in the Chapel.

ST. MARY IMMACULATE—KINGSTON.

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Report of the Treasurer of the Particular Council, OF TORONTO.

For year ending 31st December, 1899.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance from Report of 1898 (Central Council).....	\$ 37 83	
" " " (Particular ").....	61 30	
		<u>99 13</u>
" Offerings from Conferences:—		
Our Lady	\$ 12 57	
St. Paul	8 71	
St. Mary	24 20	
St. Basil	14 61	
St. Patrick	19 23	
St. Peter	4 89	
Our Lady of Lourdes.....	6 55	
St. Helen	5 54	
Sacred Heart	1 94	
		<u>98 15</u>
To Donations:—		
His Grace, Archbp. O'Connor.....	\$ 25 00	
Dr. Goldwin Smith.....	100 00	
R. T. Coady.....	25 00	
		<u>150 00</u>
To Collections at Part. Council Meetings	3 98	
" Rents of Hall and Cottages.....	293 00	
" Estate of Bishop O'Mahony, on account of bequest	187 50	
" Interest from Bank	11 00	
		<u>842 76</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Subscription to Bulletin of Ireland	\$ 24 70	
" " " New York Bulletin.....	1 50	
" Offering to Superior Council of Quebec, for 1899.....	10 00	
" Special Relief.....	37 00	
" Donations of Dr. Goldwin Smith, and R. T. Coady, distributed among conferences	123 75	
" Printing.....	16 5	
" Postage	1 00	
" Wages, Caretaker, Hall.....	48 00	
" Taxes for 1899, Hall and Cottages.....	88 82	
" Insurance, Hall and Cottages.....	35 50	
" Gas Bills, Hall.....	6 48	
" Water Taxes.....	10 00	
" Fuel	11 50	
" Repairs to Hall and cottages	13 82	
" Snow cleaning	2 00	
" Paper Hanging, Cottages	12 71	
" Balance on hand, Dec. 31st, 1899	399 73	
		<u>\$842 76</u>

THOS. B. WINTERBERRY, Treasurer.

STATISTICS, 1899.

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF TORONTO.

MEMBERS.										WORKS.				
On Roll 31st Dec. 1898	Admitted in 1899.	Retired.	Members Deceased.	On Roll 31st Dec. 1899.	Average Attendance.	Benefactors or Subscribers.	CONFERENCES			No. of Families Relieved	Adults	Children.	Total No. of Persons.	No. of Visits
29	1	11	.....	19	10	3	Our Lady	85	107	146	253	1094		
24	6	9	.....	21	10	9	St. Paul	24	38	108	146	270		
36	.....	16	.....	20	15	3	St. Mary	104	148	202	350	1067		
22	3	3	.....	22	9	8	St. Basil	23	41	48	89	251		
16	13	7	1	21	10	.....	St. Patrick	51	74	87	161	271		
8	.....	1	.....	7	6	.....	St. Peter	10	14	31	45	6		
24	1	2	3	20	11	.....	Our Lady of Lourdes	11	20	38	58	80		
15	.....	6	.....	15	8	5	St. Helen	23	39	81	120	69		
12	.....	6	.....	6	5	.....	Sacre Coeur	3	5	12	17	.....		
8	.....	1	.....	7	4	.....	St Joseph	4	8	12	20	.....		
194	24	56	4	158	88	28	TOTALS	338	494	765	1259	3108		

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF LONDON.

40	4	10	1	Our Lady.....	40	55	200	255	410
21	4	25	12	Sacred Heart.....	11	16	8	24	272
61	8	10	27	TOTALS.....	51	71	208	279	682

PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF HAMILTON.

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ISOLATED CONFERENCES.

[illegible]

FINANCES, 1899.

RECEIPTS.					PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF TORONTO.		EXPENSES.						
Collector's at Meeting.	Box Collections.	Sermons and Church Collections.	Donations, &c.	Other Sources.	Receipts for the Year.	Balances from 1898.	Bread and Provisions.	Fuel.	Funeral Expenses, &c.	Cash, Rent, &c.	Other Relief.	Total Expenses for the Year.	Balance Dec. 31, 1899.
3 98	152 50	248 15	491 50	743 63	99 13	Particular Council.	41 48	199 41	19 00	9 50	38 32	443 03	389 73
21 87	37 47	82 25	236 71	154 25	154 25	Conf. Our Lady.	39 32	126 92	...	...	...	307 71	1 3 25
22 74	37 47	82 25	175 45	175 45	62 83	" St. Paul.	153 77	254 85	3 00	12 55	9 23	179 70	58 58
28 65	261 80	80 53	28 25	102 13	187 41	" St. Mary.	59 46	137 05	5 00	25 75	45 11	514 40	175 14
21 65	165 41	55 65	49 25	2 25	294 21	" St. Basil.	72 87	114 15	...	91 09	56 33	273 37	82 59
84 01	98 43	11 25	197 93	391 62	59 75	" St. Patrick.	26 13	49 60	4 00	6 70	4 80	334 35	117 02
15 25	45 60	36 25	98 55	37 25	42 77	" St. Peter.	17 38	90 95	4 00	13 45	7 54	140 68	34 44
68 68	50 37	12 25	45	131 75	42 77	" Our L. of Lourdes	29 85	94 10	...	50	13 69	144 94	29 13
24 42	32 20	52 25	1 87	110 83	63 24	" St. Helen.	6 25	8 82	...	...	...	23 44	38 43
12 88	14 77	11 25	...	38 90	29 97	" Sacre Court.	2 24	...	...	...	...	11 06	12 47
2 70	3 77	11 25	...	17 72	5 81	" St. Joseph.	...	...	...	...	...	49 08	97 80
...	...	87 25	2 14	89 39	57 49	Hospital Committee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
306 84	862 59	210 89	661 85	699 27	2830 89	TOTALS.	448 75	1075 85	35 00	159 45	294 53	2505 69	1197 85

RECEIPTS.					PARTICULAR COUNCIL OF LONDON.		EXPENSES.						
Collector's at Meeting.	Box Collections.	Sermons and Church Collections.	Donations, &c.	Other Sources.	Receipts for the Year.	Balances from 1898.	Bread and Provisions.	Fuel.	Funeral Expenses, &c.	Cash, Rent, &c.	Other Relief.	Total Expenses for the Year.	Balance Dec. 31, 1899.
21 73	209 92	64 05	167 86	82 27	545 83	176 68	Particular Council.	...	...	...	...	594 20	127 71
72 08	71 23	...	330 00	5 00	479 21	2 56	Conf. Our Lady.	...	...	...	1 245	419 86	61 91
49 07	30 53	...	162 00	...	241 60	23 44	" Sacred Heart.	...	...	...	300	245 55	19 49
143 78	311 68	64 05	639 86	87 27	1266 64	202 08	TOTALS.	926 31	123 65	...	15 45	1259 61	209 11

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32 36	142 25	106 27	280 88	451 21	Particular Council	127 39	203 45	18 30	23 90	156 50	575 59
101 04	237 95	338 99	48 84	Conf. Our Lady	90 09	103 90	24 50	25 25	9 05	373 04	14 79
149 26	180 12	1 40	330 78	" St. Patrick	74 77	35 90	5 00	13 00	9 10	252 79	154 57
35 51	85 05	120 56	47 55	" St. Joseph	35 05	103 00			8 00	137 77	30 34
54 60	54 35	25 00	133 95	" St. Lawrence						146 05	17 40
372 77	142 25	557 47	132 67	TOTALS	326 30	448 25	29 50	56 55	50 03	1066 15	792 69

ISOLATED CONFERENCES.

93 51	65 09	128 65	11 00	5 62	303 87	8 47	Our Lady, Guelph	236 88	29 50	3 78	58 09	328 35	Def.
3 05	1 43	50 00	21 00	34 20	109 58	97 54	Our Lady, Lindsay	67 34	27 52	0 80	29 83	105 87	101 25
							Our Lady, Brantford						
31 01		43 73	18 94		93 68		St. Joseph, Stratford	93 68				93 68	
7 38	10 68		1 25	20 70	40 01	16 04	Angels Guardian, Orlia	12 73	4 05	2 00	11 15	29 03	26 12
28 96	35 77	35 60	80 55		200 88	4 69	St. Alphonsus, Windsor	115 36	39 65	1 50	16 50	173 01	32 56
2 84		144 20	275 00		422 04	45 12	St. Mary Immac. Kingston	52 88	372 84	30 57	5 00	461 29	3 87
88 54		23 00	42 00	0 32	153 86	84 58	St. Joseph, Chatham	63 93	41 48	28 89	5 00	143 30	95 14
			13 91		13 91		S. Mary, Collingwood	4 25					13 91
10 00	5 18		15 18		15 18		S. Mary, Newmarket	8 00				4 25	10 93
51 10				0 67	51 17		St. Peter, Chus, Trenton		7 00	2 37	4 45	21 82	29 95
1139 78	1292 32	862 37	2850 83	980 72	6727 47	1924 85	GRAND TOTALS	1956 38	2292 79	71 50	285 91	491 05	6190 95
													2512 78



Obituary.

Of Your Charity pray for the repose of the souls of :

HUGH RYAN,

A member of the Central Council, and a generous benefactor of the Society.

PATRICK HUGHES,

Active member of the Conference of Our Lady of Lourdes, Toronto.

B. B. HUGHES,

Active member of the Conference of Our Lady of Lourdes, Toronto.

JAMES J. MALLON,

Formerly President of the Conference of St. Paul.

MICHAEL STEFANI,

Active member of the Conference of St. Patrick, Toronto.

JOHN MCGEE,

Active member of the Conference of Our Lady, Guelph.

W. J. McRENER,

Active member of the Conference of St. Joseph, Chatham.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

This society has been in existence for over five years, having been organized by the Particular Council of Toronto at the request of His Grace the late Archbishop Walsh in the Fall of 1894, and shortly afterwards incorporated as an independent society under the Children's Protection Act of Ontario. It may, therefore, be considered as one of our special works, and the great success that has crowned its efforts in the work of child-saving must be a source of gratification to the members of our society.

The last annual report (the fifth) shows that during the year 295 cases were brought to the notice of the Children's Aid Society, affecting the interests of 418 children. Of these 155 were cases in the children's court, and the remainder, 140, were cases of various kinds reported at the agent's office. The cases in the Children's Court were disposed of as follows:—

Committed to the Shelter at Blantyre.....	37
Committed to St. John's Industrial School.....	13
Committed to the Good Shepherd Refuge.....	11
Committed to the Mercer Reformatory Refuge....	4
Discharged	12
Withdrawn	8
Fined	10
Made wards of the Society.....	10
Sent to Gaol.....	7
Sent to Penetanguishene Reformatory.....	1
Discharged on suspended sentence after a short confinement in the shelter	42
Total	155

The private cases are a most important part of the work—parents are visited and warned, their attention drawn to the provisions of the law, and advice is given and mediation used between parents and children where the latter are inclined to be wayward. This course of action generally succeeds in producing a reformation of conduct, but when it failed the agent was obliged to bring the offenders before the court, where the children have in many cases been committed to the care of the society. During the year ten children were made wards of the

society, and eight of these were placed out in foster homes and two others are on probation. The most satisfactory reports have been received from nearly all of the children placed out.

It is also shown that since the society was organized 1278 cases affecting the interests of 2136 children have had its best consideration and assistance. Forty boys have been sent to St. John's Industrial School, which is under the management of the Christian Brothers, and 48 children have been made wards of the society, and good foster homes found for the majority of them.

The society receives an annual grant of \$500 from the Toronto City Council, and this is supplemented by the fees of the members—one dollar a year—and donations from benevolent friends. As a salaried agent, who attends the Police Court daily, and looks after the cases in which the society is interested, is necessary, and the maintenance of the children in the temporary shelters has to be provided for, an increase of revenue is very much needed. It is hoped, therefore, that those who take an interest in this deserving work will assist it with their donations, which, no matter how small, will be thankfully received. Applications for children for adoption or for information relative to the society and its work should be made at the agent's office, St. Vincent's Hall, corner of Shuter and Victoria streets.

At the last annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society it was stated that authority had been received for the establishment of an Industrial School for Catholic Girls, at West Lodge, where the Sisters of the Good Shepherd have set apart one of their buildings for the purpose. This long desired school is therefore now open. As the two schools referred to—St. John's Industrial School, East Toronto, for boys, and St. Mary's Industrial School, Parkdale, Toronto, for girls—are now properly certified by the Provincial Government, and authorized to receive children from any part of the Province, a few extracts from the Act under which they are working may be of use to officers of Conferences who occasionally have cases of neglected or wayward children to deal with :

11.—(1) Any person may, at a special sitting, bring before the Police Magistrate, or before the Judge of the County Court, and, except in cities, where there is a Police Magis-

trate, before any Justice of the Peace, any child apparently under the age of fourteen years, who comes within any of the following descriptions ;

(a) Who is found begging or receiving alms, or being in any street or public place for the purpose of begging or receiving alms ;

(b) Who so found wandering, and not having any home or settled place of abode or proper guardianship, or not having any lawful occupation or business, or visible means of subsistence ;

(c) Who is found destitute, either being an orphan or having a surviving parent, who is undergoing penal servitude or imprisonment ;

(d) Whose parent, step-parent or guardian, represents to the Judge or Magistrate that he is unable to control the child, and that he desires the child to be sent to an Industrial School, under this Act ;

(e) Who, by reason of the neglect, drunkenness or other vices of the parents, is suffered to be growing up without salutary parental control and education, or in circumstances exposing him to lead an idle and dissolute life ;

(f) Who has been found guilty of petty crime, and who, in the opinion of the Judge or Magistrate, before whom he has been convicted, should be sent to an Industrial School instead of to a Gaol or Reformatory ;

(g). Who (being a child between eight and fourteen years of age) has been expelled from school for vicious and immoral conduct.

12. If the Judge or Magistrate is satisfied on enquiry that it is expedient to deal with the child under this Act, he may order him to be sent to a certified industrial school : which order shall be in writing and shall specify the name of the school, and the time for which the child is to be detained in the school, being such time as to the Judge or Magistrate seems proper for the teaching and training of the child, but not in any case extending beyond the time when the child will attain the age of sixteen years.

17. In case an industrial school is established by the Roman Catholic Separate School trustees in any city, the Judge or Magistrate shall endeavour to ascertain the religious persuasion to which every child to be sent by him to an industrial school belongs, and shall, as far as practicable, send Roman Catholic children to the Roman Catholic industrial school, and other children to the other industrial school ; and if a parent or guardian, or in case there is no parent or guardian, then if the nearest adult relative of a child in a Roman Catholic Separate School claims that the child should be sent to the industrial school under the said board of trustees, or

claims that a child in an industrial school established by the latter should be sent to the Roman Catholic Separate School, the minister, on being satisfied of the justness of such claim, shall order a transfer of the child accordingly, provided that the managers of the school to which the transfer is to be made are willing to receive the child.

From Revised Statutes of Ontario, chapter 304.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Children's Aid Society of Toronto.

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Publications OF THE Society



Orders for the following works may be sent through the President of the Particular Council of Toronto. Published by the Council of Ireland (Wm. Kelly, 50 Upper Sackville st., Dublin):

THE MANUAL of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 40 cents.

THE GENERAL RULE of the Society, with explanatory notes, etc., 15 cents.

THE GENERAL RULE of the Society, without notes, 60 cents per dozen.

THE BULLETIN of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (monthly). Yearly subscription, payable in advance, 65 cents.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL QUARTERLY, 76 pages, published by the Superior Council of New York, 2 Lafayette Place, New York. Yearly subscription, 50 cents.

The following are a few publications suitable for use by the Brethren and for distribution among those visited by them. They are selected from a large list of useful papers issued by The Catholic Truth Society of England (69 Southwark Bridge Road, S.E. London), at 4 cents, and may be procured from the Toronto Branches of the Society by addressing as follows: J. J. Murnan, 49 Hazleton Ave., Toronto.

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