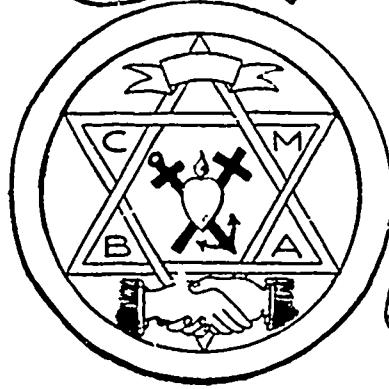


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ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.

NOTES.

No doubt you deliberately weighed the question of membership in the C. M. B. A. before signing an application for it; therefore do not forfeit your benefits in the Association by allowing your policy to terminate through neglect to pay the assessments. Do not lessen the insurance you have, but rather increase it, and hold fast to your policy in the C. M. B. A.

In 1896 the C. M. B. A. admitted 1246 new members; their policies amount to \$1,659,500.00. The total membership on 31st Dec. last was 11,116, with policies amounting to \$17,030,692.00. There were 589 policies terminated during the year, as follows: By death 107, amounting to \$181,000; by surrender 36, amounting to \$16,000.00; and by lapse 330, amounting to \$318,500.00. The total amount of the policies terminated was \$775,500. The income during the year was: Initiation Tax \$457.50; Per Capita Tax \$10,747.50; Supplies and Policies \$1,461.41; Assessments \$175,008.00; Interest \$1,635.11 Total \$189,360.67. The expenditure during the year was: Beneficiaries \$165,170.00, salaries \$1,840.83. Licenses and Collective Agent's Certificate \$225.61. All other expenditure, including payment in full of the money borrowed for conventions, \$14,272.06. Total \$181,498.58.

A lady writing to Ladies' Home Journal says:

"I know whereof I speak when I say that there are hundreds of women in the homes of this land who are daily carrying with them the fear that their husbands or fathers are neglecting or forgetting to make suitable provision for them as widows or orphans. They shrink from speaking to the men of their homes about the matter. And it is especially for the benefit of these women that I write these words. No man can afford to neglect a simple duty which may mean all the difference between happiness and misery, to his family. Suitable provision for them he cannot allow himself to 'put off,' for surely it is true that 'in the midst of life we are in death.'

Suitable provision may at least be partly made if the husband, father, or brother would join the C. M. B. A.

The Grand Council is not yet in receipt of guarantee bonds from the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation on behalf of the financial secretary and the treasurer of a large number of our branches. Guarantee bonds are to be given in accordance with Sections 133 to 134, and 176 and 177 of the Constitution. Branches that have not already done so, will at once communicate with Messrs Schmidt & McKeon, 716 New York Life Building, Montreal, to comply with these conditions, in order to fulfil the arrangements made between the Grand Council and the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation. Should your officers object to any of the questions of the application form, we are authorized to state they may be answered at discretion, but all replies are confidential. The age and address of each applicant must be given.

From and after 1st March, 1897, the date of the promulgation of our new Constitution, each "application for membership" must be accompanied by the initiation fee of three dollars and the Supervising Medical Examiner's fee of fifty cents. Branches shall be held liable for the Supervising Medical Examiner's fees in every case, and must remit said fees quarterly with the initiation tax and per capita tax to the Grand Secretary. See sections 147 and 176. Applicants for membership, from and after the date above mentioned, shall pay the local Medical Examiner the sum of one dollar and fifty cents, which shall be said examiner's fee for such examination. As branches must hereafter collect the fifty cents for the Supervising Medical Examiner, local Medical Examiners shall have nothing to do with this part of the work, they merely forward the Medical Certificate to the Supervising Medical Examiner without enclosing any fee.

The Grand President's circular regarding the payment of the sum of \$1 out of the General Fund of the Grand

Council for each new member takes effect with those applications received from and after January 1, 1897. At the end of each quarter the branch must send a statement to the Grand Secretary, giving the names of the members initiated during the quarter and the names of the brother or brothers entitled to the \$1 per each initiation. After receiving said statement, the Grand Council will remit the amount to the Financial Secretary of the branch, to be paid to the members entitled thereto. The statement must be signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and sealed with the branch seal to avoid dispute. Branches may or may not supplement the \$1 by one half of the initiation fee; it is optional, but a recommendation from the Grand Council Board of Trustees.

C. M. B. A. Concert.

A concert given at the Canadian Institute in Ottawa on the evening of the 17th February under the auspices of the C. M. B. A. proved a grand success. The hall was crowded to the doors and the large audience assembled showed their appreciation of the excellent entertainment by bestowing hearty applause.

Brether F R Latchford, president of the advisory board of the C. M. B. A., gave a very interesting address, which was listened to with interest by those assembled. He also addressed the audience in French.

LETTER OF THANKS.

Mr. S. R. Brown,
Grand Secretary C. M. B. A.,
London, Ont.

Dear Sir—We have received from Mr. Wm. McGannon, of Branch No. 1 Morrisburg, Ont., a check for \$200 on life policy of our late Brother Richard Henry Barry. We wish to thank you most sincerely for the prompt manner in which this policy was paid and the little trouble given us.

Wishing your society every success.

We remain,

Gratefully yours,

ANNIE E. BARRY,
MARY BARRY.
Morrisburg, Ont., Feb. 22, 1897.

INITIATIONS IN JANUARY, 1897.
INITIATIONS DU MOIS DE JAN., 1897.

| Br. | Initiated. Members. |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Ottawa Ont | |
| 2. Woodstock Ont | |
| 3. Toronto Ont | |
| 4. Montreal Que | |
| 5. Ottawa Ont | |
| 6. Port Lambton Ont | |
| 7. Lewisville Que | |
| 8. Moncton N.B. | |
| 9. Cap-Saint-Jacques Que | |
| 10. Berlin Ont | |
| 11. Orillia Ont | |
| 12. Grand Falls Que | |
| 13. Montreal Que | |
| 14. Rock Island Que | |
| 15. Yarmouth N.S. | |
| 16. Montreal Que | |
| 17. Valcourt Que | |
| 18. Montreal Que | |
| 19. St. John de Montreal Que | |
| 20. Peterborough Ont | |
| 21. Kersbrook P.E.I. | |
| 22. Lower Elgin N.S. | |
| 23. Meteghan N.S. | |
| 24. Tracadie N.B. | |
| 25. Windsor Ont | |
| 26. Amherstburg Ont | |
| 27. London Ont | |
| 28. Tecumseh Ont | |
| 29. Barrie Ont | |
| 30. St. Agatha Ont | |
| 31. Formosa Ont | |
| 32. Belleville Ont | |
| 33. Montreal Que | |
| 34. Toronto Ont | |
| 35. Renfrew Ont | |
| 36. Quebec Que | |
| 37. Campbellton Ont | |
| 38. Westport Ont | |
| 39. Quebec Que | |
| 40. Parkhill N.B. | |
| 41. Bathurst N.B. | |
| 42. North Sydney N.S. | |
| 43. Halifax N.S. | |
| 44. Montreal Que | |
| 45. Toronto Ont | |
| 46. Calumet Island Que | |
| 47. LaSalle Que | |
| 48. Halifax N.S. | |
| 49. St. John's N.S. | |
| 50. St. John's Que | |
| 51. Beloeil Que | |
| 52. Newcastle N.B. | |
| 53. St. George Falls Ont | |
| 54. Thabham N.B. | |
| 55. Spryfield N.S. | |
| 56. St. John's Point Ont | |
| 57. Halifax N.S. | |
| 58. South East P.E.I. | |
| 59. Huntingdon Que | |
| 60. Thorold Que | |
| 61. Georgetown P.E.I. | |
| 62. Brandon Man | |
| TOTAL | 1,424 |

N.B.—The initiations in the last branch are charter numbers.

Les initiations dans la dernière succursale sont des numéros fondateurs.

NEW BRANCH.

Branch No. 1 was organized on February 1 at St. Joseph N.B. by Deputy Fr. J. Belliveau. The following is the list of officers: Spiritual Adviser Rev. A. R. Superior of St. Joseph's College. Pres. Rev. A. D. Cormier. First Vice-Pres. Augustin Gaudet. Second Vice-Pres. Jude D. P. LeBlanc. Rec. Sec. Albin M. Leger. Ass't Rec. Sec. Fr. Auguste L. Gaudet. Fin. Sec. Jean B. Gaudet. Treas. Alderic J. Gaudet. Mar. Judge J. Gaudet. Guard. Donat A. Leger. Trustee Lucien T. Gaudet. Attache D. Cormier. Trustee Et. Gaudet. Donat S. Gaudet, Dominique J. Belliveau.

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to the Association. Communications upon
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will always be welcome, but anonymous
letters and letters where the Manager does
not consider the welfare of the Association
will not be published.Correspondents will please remember that
copy must reach us before the 10th of the
month, if intended for publication in the
following month's issue; and that space is
limited and brevity much desired.Address all communications to
S. R. BROWN,
Editor and Manager,
28 Queen's Ave., London, Ont.

LONDON, MARCH, 1897.

PROCLAMATION.

Revised Constitution.

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

Brothers—In pursuance of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of this Association, I hereby declare the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Council, as revised by the Committee appointed for said purpose at our last regular Convention, held at Ottawa, Ont., on the 25th and 26th of August, 1896, and as now printed and in the hands of our Grand Secretary for distribution, to be the Constitution and By-Laws governing this Grand Council and all its Branches and members from and after the First day of March, 1897, until further amended.

Yours fraternally,
M. F. HACKETT,
Grand President,
C. M. B. A. of Canada.

Stanstead, Que., February 8, 1897.



THE LATE JUDGE G. E. RIOUX.

Our members will learn with regret of the death of Judge G. E. Rioux, which took place at Sherbrooke, Que., on the 21st February last. He succumbed to a disease which had been undermining him for sometime.

Judge Rioux descended from an old French family located in this country since 1686 and to which the seigniory of Three Rivers had been granted by the King of France. The deceased was born on the 18th March, 1840, and was educated at the seminary of St.

Hyacinthe. In 1860 he studied law with Judge Bourgeois, and afterwards with M. M. Sanborn and Brooks, of Sherbrooke. In 1861 he was admitted to the practice of law, and in 1871 he was appointed by the Provincial Government, magistrate for the district of St. Francis, a position which he held until death. On the 5th August, 1865, he married Miss Marie Louise Camirand, daughter of the late Mr. Olivier Camirand, of Sherbrooke. During the Fenian invasion, he organized a company of volunteers which was adjourned to the fifty third battalion and which he commanded himself for several years.

Brother Rioux joined the C. M. B. A. as a charter member of Branch 118 which he represented at the Montreal convention in 1890. At that convention he was elected Second Grand Vice President. He also attended the Hamilton convention in 1892 and was one of the special committee appointed to consider and report on the effect of the Ontario Insurance Act of 1892 on the work of the C. M. B. A. He was then elected Representative to the Supreme Council convention in Montreal, when Canada secured separate beneficiary. It was at his suggestion that the division of the constitution into articles was abolished and sections in lieu thereof inserted.

Judge Rioux was very highly respected in the locality in which he administered justice and was a particular favorite with C. M. B. A. members. R. quiescat in pace.

Installation and Presentation at the Ancient Capital.

The officers of St. Patrick's Branch, 108, were installed by the Grand President on the 8th ult. in the presence of Rev. Father Maloney, Spiritual Adviser, and a full roll of membership, and the event will be long remembered as a red letter night in the annals of the branch.

Though Hon. Mr. Hackett had kindly accepted the invitation tendered him, a doubt existed in many minds that it were possible in the midst of the near approach of the sessional adjournment in which he was expected to take a very active part, that their hopes would be realized, but just as the routine work had closed and postponement of but one item had been agreed on, the Grand Chief stepped into the hall, accompanied by Chancellor Bryson as escort. Cheer after cheer resounded, that literally shook the famous building. The installation was then preceded with in that solemn and earnest manner in which he alone can perform it, making an impression that cannot easily be effaced.

When officers had taken respective places, Brother Treasurer P. Hogan, at a rather unexpected moment, stepped forward and proceeded to read in a clear voice from a voluminous sheet, what proved to be an address to Bro. President Kerwin, and at the termination handed him a handsome diamond pin as a slight token of the love and respect of the branch for his untiring zeal in their behalf.

The newly-elected President, though evidently taken by surprise, returned

his thanks in well chosen words, promising that for the future, as in the past, he would use his energies for the noble Association and one branch in particular. He then invited the Grand President to speak to the members. The Hon. Brother, with his usual good nature, then delivered one of his masterpieces, again and again interrupted by applause, and closed a splendid peroration, exhorting the members to stand by each other in real brotherly affection and that they were sure to prosper. Rev. Father Maloney also made a few remarks to the point and was loudly applauded, as he has proved himself the real Sagard Aroon and worthy the love and respect meted out to him by the Irish Catholics of Quebec. Light refreshments were partaken of, and songs, recitations, etc., given by Brothers R. Timmons, P. E. Lane, T. P. Malone, J. W. McDermott, D. Byrnes, Scully, Hanlon and Arkison. The Italian orchestra, the best up to date musical body of the Province, discoursed sweet music and aided by a Webber Grand accompanied the solos, duets, and choruses. It was not till midnight that an adjournment was made of a pleasant night's instruction and amusement as could be obtained, all seemingly perfectly satisfied, and none more than the Grand President, for whom three cheers and a tiger were given ere he took his departure.

LENINOS

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM-SYSTEME DE COTISATION.

| MARCH ASSESSMENTS. COTISATIONS DU MOIS DE MARS. | NO. 3 & 4. | DEATHS DÉCES | NOV. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20. |
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The Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada.

Secretary's Office, London, Mar. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir and Brother—You are hereby officially notified of the deaths of the following named brothers:

Le Grand Conseil de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada.

Bureau du Grand Secrétaire, London, Ont.,
1 Mars, 1897.

Cher Monsieur et Frère—Vous êtes, par le présent officiellement notifié du décès des frères ci-après nommés :

| NO. | NAME. | BRANCH NOM. | AGE. | LOCATION. | ADMITTED ADMISS. | DIED. DECEDES. | CAUSE OF DEATH. CAUSE DU DECES. |
|-----|------------------|---------------------|------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 11 | W. J. Young | 17 Newcas. 1, N. B. | 100 | Apr. 1, 31 Feb. 2, 17 35 | Hemorrhage of Brain | | |
| 13 | John P. McCarthy | 13 Ottawa, Ont. | 2000 | May 13, 21 Feb. 1, 97 35 | Consumption | | |
| 18 | J. Huchthamann | 12 Be. Ills. Ont. | 2000 | Aug. 12, 28 Feb. 5, 97 61 | Pneumonia | | |
| 17 | Cor. McElnerney | 7 Rainila, Ont. | 2000 | Jan. 16, 28 Feb. 9, 97 50 | | | |
| 18 | Thos. McCabes | 91 A Union, Ont. | 2000 | July 2, 28 Feb. 11, 97 50 | Pathitis | | |
| 19 | Ed. Cloutier | 164 Nicolet, Q. | 1000 | July 21, 28 Feb. 15, 97 25 | Inflammation of Bowels | | |
| 20 | Geo. E. Rioux | 118 Sherbrooke, Q. | 2000 | Mar. 5, 30 Feb. 21, 97 50 | Softening of Brain | | |

Statement of the Beneficiary and Reserve Funds for February, 1897.

Compte-rendu du Fonds des Bénéfices et du Fonds de Réserve pour le mois de Fév., 1897.

BENEFICIARY FUND. FONDS DES BÉNÉFICES. DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Amount on hand Feb. 1st. | 1897..... | \$ 418.71 |
| Montant en caisse le 1er Fév. | | |
| Received during Feb. from | No. 13 & 14 Ass'tmts | 570.73 |
| Reçu durant le mois de Fév. | No. 15 | 2,197.27 |
| | No. 1 & Spec. " | 14,175.88 |
| | No. 2 | 96.05 |

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-------------|
| Feb. 16, Benefits paid on account of | D. J. O'Brien, Order | 403..... | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Bénéfices payés à compte de | T. Tessier, | 404..... | \$ 2,000.00 |
| 20, | do | 405..... | 1,000.00 |
| 21, | do | 406..... | 1,000.00 |
| 22, | do | 407..... | 1,000.00 |
| 23, | do | 408..... | 2,000.00 |
| 24, | do | 409..... | 1,000.00 |
| 25, | do | 410..... | 2,000.00 |
| 26, | do | 411..... | 1,000.00 |
| 27, | do | 412..... | 2,000.00 |
| 28, | do | 413..... | 2,000.00 |
| March (Mar.) 1st, 1897, Balance | | 488.17 | |
| | | | \$17,488.17 |
| | | | \$17,488.17 |

Total amount of Beneficiary Fund collected since 1st January, 1897, to date..... \$351,745.74

Montant total du Fonds des Bénéfices collecté depuis le 1er Janv., 1897, à cette date..... \$351,745.74

Total amount paid to the Beneficiaries of deceased members to date..... \$351,745.74

Montant total payé aux Bénéficiaires des membres décédés à ce date..... \$351,745.74

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|---------|-----|--|----------|----------|---|----------|
| 31 | 272 | F R Latchford, Solicitor, paid into Court, benefit due on the death of Henry A Lamping, Branch 215, Kemptville, Ont. | 11 | 329 | James Knight, benefit due on the death of his son Rev John S Knight, branch 22 Chatham, N B..... | 2,000 00 |
| 31 | 273 | Mary Fitzgerald, benefit due on the death of her husband, John Fitzgerald, Branch 2, St. Thomas, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 16 | Bridget Wesor, benefit due on the death of her husband Adolph Wesor, branch 11 Galt, Ont..... | 1,100 00 |
| Feb. 10 | 274 | Catharine Lavelle, benefit due on the death of her husband, Joseph Lavelle, Branch 164, Winnipeg, Man. | 2,000 00 | 21 | Mary Doyle, benefit due on the death of her husband Bryan Doyle, branch 37 Hamilton, Ont..... | 500 00 |
| 10 | 275 | Ellen Kane, administrator, benefit due on the death of her son, Jeremiah F Kane, Branch 133 St John, N B. | 1,000 00 | 30 | John E Kingfarmer, benefit due on the death of her step-father Adolph Wesor, branch 11 Galt, Ont..... | 600 00 |
| 10 | 276 | Ellen Kane, benefit due on the death of her son, Jeremiah F Kane, Branch 133 St John N B. | 1,000 00 | 30 | Ellen Wesor, benefit due on the death of her adopted father, Adolph Wesor, branch 14 Galt, Ont..... | 100 00 |
| 17 | 277 | Mary Russell, benefit due on the death of her husband, John Joseph Russell, Branch 13, Fort Erie, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 30 | Mary Dwyer, benefit due on the death of her step-father Adolph Wesor, branch 11 Galt, Ont..... | 200 00 |
| 17 | 278 | The True Corporation of Ontario, guardian benefit due on the death of Phos Kelon, Branch 53, Mt. Forest, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 30 | Edmond Marion, benefit due on the death of his father Judge Marion, branch 62 Canard River, Ont. | 200 00 |
| 28 | 279 | Mary Bauer, benefit due on the death of her husband, Frank Bauer, Branch 12, Berlin, Ont. | 250 00 | 30 | Jeremiah Dunn, benefit due on the death of his father Bryan Dunn, branch 5 Brantford, Ont. | 500 00 |
| 28 | 280 | Mary Bauer, guardian of the seven infant children of Frank Bauer, benefit due on the death of their father, Frank Bauer, Branch 12, Berlin, Ont. | 1,750 00 | 30 | Ann Dunn, benefit due on the death of her father, Bryan Dunn, branch 5 Brantford, Ont. | 375 00 |
| 29 | 281 | Catherine Gaitley, benefit due on the death of her husband, Wm Guillefoyle, Branch 51, Barrie, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 30 | Margaret Dunn, benefit due on the death of her father Bryan Dunn, branch 5 Brantford, Ont. | 375 00 |
| 29 | 282 | Marie Sara Marceau Garneau, benefit due on the death of her husband, Joseph J Garneau, Branch 96, Lévis, Que. | 1,000 00 | 30 | Catherine O'Grady, benefit due on the death of her father Bryan Dunn, branch 5 Brantford, Ont. | 375 00 |
| 29 | 283 | Lavinia J O'Brien, guardian Patriarch J Watson O'Brien, benefit due on the death of his father, James O'Brien, Branch 119, L'Assomption, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 30 | Mary Ann McCarten, benefit due on the death of her father Bryan Dunn, branch 5 Brantford, Ont. | 375 00 |
| Mar. 10 | 284 | Constance V Provost, benefit due on the death of her husband, Charles G Provost, Branch 112, Montreal, Que. | 500 00 | 31 | Agnes McNulty, benefit due on the death of her husband Patrick McNulty, branch 10 St Catherines, O | 2,000 00 |
| 10 | 285 | George Bertrand, tutor of Henry Provost, benefit due on the death of his father, Charles G Provost, Branch 112, Montreal, Que. | 500 00 | 31 | Marie Rose Bastarache LeBlanc, benefit due on the death of her husband Clement LeBlanc, branch 237 Buctouche, N B..... | 2,000 00 |
| 13 | 286 | Elizabeth B McCaffrey, benefit due on the death of her husband, Francis T McCaffrey, Branch 161, Nicolet, Q | 2,000 00 | 31 | John M Chisholm, benefit due on the death of his brother Alex J Chisholm, branch 192, Antigonish, N S..... | 1,000 00 |
| 11 | 287 | Catherine Buckel, benefit due on the death of her husband, Joseph Buckel, Branch 41, New Hamburg, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Frances Maguire, benefit due on the death of her son Rev John E Maguire, branch 94 Ottawa, Ont..... | 2,000 00 |
| 16 | 288 | Mary Campbell, benefit due on the death of her brother Rev R A Campbell, branch 57 Orillia, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 31 | Alice M Nevean, benefit due on the death of her husband Joseph A Nevean, branch 26 Montreal, Que. | 2,000 00 |
| 16 | 289 | Isabella Campbell, benefit due on the death of her brother Rev R A Campbell, branch 56 Orillia, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 31 | Bridget Clancey, benefit due on the death of her father John Clancey, branch 40 New Hamburg, O. | 2,000 00 |
| 20 | 290 | Mrs T A Heffernan, benefit due on the death of her husband, Thomas A Heffernan, branch 31 Guelph, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Bridget Sunstrum, benefit due on the death of her husband Patrick Sunstrum, branch 66 Mattawa, O. | 1,000 00 |
| 21 | 291 | Maria A Schmidt, benefit due on the death of her husband Joseph Schmidt, branch 37 Neustadt, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Catherine Sullivan, benefit due on the death of her husband Martin F Sullivan, branch 13 Stratford, O. | 2,000 00 |
| 24 | 292 | Michael J Lynch, benefit due on the death of his brother James L Lynch, branch 132 Halifax, N S. | 1,000 00 | 31 | Thos Ryder, benefit due on the death of his father James Ryder, branch 124 Biddulph, Ont. | 1,800 00 |
| 28 | 293 | Congregation de Ste Croix, de Notre Dame des Neiges, benefit due on the death of Rev Philippe Beaudet, Branch 171 St Laurent, Que. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Hannah Ryder, benefit due on the death of her father James Ryder, branch 124 Biddulph, Ont. | 200 00 |
| 31 | 294 | Mary Hough, benefit due on the death of her husband Richard Hough, branch 4 London, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Isabella Devine, benefit due on the death of her husband John F Devine, branch 132 Halifax, N S..... | 1,000 00 |
| April 9 | 295 | Mary O'Donohue, benefit due on the death of her husband Daniel O'Donohue, branch 5 Brantford, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Mrs George A Heroux, benefit due on the death of her husband George A Heroux, branch 209 Louiseville, Que. | 1,000 00 |
| 9 | 296 | Edwidge Trois, benefit due on the death of her husband Alexia Trois, branch 87 Montreal, Que. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Annie Foster, benefit due on the death of her brother Henry Foster, branch 119 Welland, Ont. | 2,000 00 |
| 9 | 297 | Mary C Phelan, benefit due on the death of her son, Francis Phelan, branch 157 Fletcher, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 31 | Mary Doyle, guardian of infant children, benefit due on the death of their father Bryan Doyle, branch 27, Hamilton, Ont. | 1,500 00 |
| 14 | 298 | Mary E Quan, benefit due on the death of her husband Thomas Noonan, branch 29 Perth, Ont. | 1,000 00 | Sept. 12 | Alex McDonald and John McDonald, executors, benefit due on the death of Duncan McDonald, branch 261, Alexandria, Ont. | 1,000 00 |
| 19 | 299 | Rev Joseph H M Bloom, benefit due on the death of his brother Rev P Eugene Bloom, branch 61 North Bay, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 19 | Pierre Laforest, tutor, benefit due on the death of Louis Robitaille, branch 117, Joliette, Que. | 1,000 00 |
| 19 | 300 | Catherine Keough, benefit due on the death of her husband Thomas Keough, branch 94 Ottawa, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 19 | Mary Jane Labine, benefit due on the death of her husband John B Labine, branch 67, Pembroke, O. | 1,000 00 |
| 19 | 301 | Mary Brogan, benefit due on the death of her husband Anthony Brogan, branch 26 Montreal, Que. | 2,000 00 | 19 | Marie A Fortier, benefit due on the death of her husband Frs X Fortier, branch 66 Mattawa, Ont. | 2,000 00 |
| 28 | 302 | Carolina Fox, benefit due on the death of her husband John Fox, branch 57 Orillia, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 19 | Rose McGannon, benefit due on the death of her husband Wm Louis McGannon, branch 16, Prescott, O. | 2,000 00 |
| 28 | 303 | Emma Martin, benefit due on the death of her son Tancred J Martin, branch 38 Ottawa, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 26 | Mary Cauzillo, benefit due on the death of her husband Michael Cauzillo, branch 1 Windsor, Ont. | 2,000 00 |
| 30 | 304 | Jane Dixon, benefit due on the death of her husband Richard Dixon, branch 23 Seaford, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 26 | Sarah Donohue, benefit due on the death of her husband Wm Donohue, branch 14 Galt, Ont. | 1,000 00 |
| 30 | 305 | Catharine McCarthy, benefit due on the death of her husband Patrick McCarthy, branch 98 Campbellford, Ont. | 1,000 00 | 26 | Jeanne G Fortier, benefit due on the death of her husband Joseph O Fortier, branch 29 Ottawa, Ont. | 2,000 00 |
| May 9 | 306 | Gertrude Leahy, benefit due on the death of her father Michael Leahy, branch 9 Kingston, Ont. | 700 00 | 26 | Margaret Galvin, benefit due on the death of her husband Michael Galvin, branch 28 Dartmouth, N S. | 2,000 00 |
| 9 | 307 | Rev S Murdoch, benefit due on the death of Frederick J Bowden, branch 32 Chatham, N B. | 1,000 00 | 26 | John J Buck and John J Burns, executors, trustees for Arthur Jos Spellacy, benefit due on the death of his father Thos Spellacy, branch 56 Hamilton, O. | 2,000 00 |
| 9 | 308 | Annie Quirk, benefit due on the death of her son James F Quirk, branch 131 St John, N B. | 1,000 00 | 30 | Jas J O'Hearn, President of branch 15 Toronto, benefit due on the death of Julius M Rescomora, branch 15, Toronto, Ont. | 21 85 |
| 14 | 309 | Lucie Hermans Boivin, benefit due on the death of her husband Narcisse A Boivin, branch 125 St Hyacinthe, Que. | 1,000 00 | Oct. 14 | Maggie Rescomora, benefit due on the death of her husband Julius M Rescomora, branch 15, Toronto, Ont. | 1,978 15 |
| 23 | 310 | Ann O'Leary, benefit due on the death of her son John B O'Leary, branch 36 Port Lambton, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 21 | Alexander Hawley, assignee, benefit due on the death of Louis Garello, branch 29 Ottawa, Ont. | 2,000 00 |
| 28 | 311 | Agnes O'Brien, benefit due on the death of her husband John O'Brien, branch 18 Yarmouth, N S. | 2,000 00 | 29 | Wm Tierney, benefit due on the death of his son Jas W Tierney, branch 208 Dartmouth, N S. | 1,000 00 |
| 28 | 312 | F G J Comeau, President branch 18, benefit due on the death of John O'Brien of said branch. | 1,937 05 | 29 | Ann Curran, benefit due on the death of her husband Patrick Curran, branch 38 Cornwall, Ont. | 1,000 00 |
| 30 | 313 | Justina Dantzer, benefit due on the death of her husband Louis G Dantzer, branch 101 Baden, Ont. | 62 25 | 29 | Anna Cundiff, benefit due on the death of her husband Holsfrich Hundeshagen, branch 12, Berlin, Q. | 2,000 00 |
| 30 | 314 | Mary E Labatte, benefit due on the death of her husband Louis G Labatte, branch 73 Penetanguishene, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 14 | Rose R Liddy, benefit due on the death of her husband James Liddy, branch 54, Montreal, Que. | 500 00 |
| June 2 | 315 | Rev James Walsh and B C McCann, executors, benefit due on the death of W W Groom, branch 27 Peterboro, O. | 1,000 00 | 14 | Rose R Liddy, trustee of George, Daniel and Alice Liddy, benefit due on the death of their father James Liddy, branch 54 Montreal, Que. | 1,500 00 |
| 8 | 316 | Catherine Hall, benefit due on the death of her husband Nicholas Hall, branch 36 Port Lambton, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 20 | Catherine O'Pourke, benefit due on the death of her husband Thos O'Rourke, branch 166 Starstead, Q. | 2,000 00 |
| 15 | 317 | Bridget Cahill, benefit due on the death of her husband John Cahill, branch 1, Windsor, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 20 | Philip J O'Keefe, guardian of Annie Josephine, Thomas, and Mary Evaline Fitzgerald, benefit due on the death of their brother James E Fitzgerald, branch 133 St John N B. | 2,000 00 |
| 15 | 318 | Elizabeth Finegan, benefit due on the death of her husband James Finegan, Branch 13 Stratford, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 26 | Alex Gillie and Patrick A Mulligan, executors, benefit due on the death of Christopher T Boyce, branch 64, North Bay, Ont. | 2,000 00 |
| 25 | 319 | Julia Ann Quinn, benefit due on the death of her husband Joseph Quinn, branch 112, Merrickville, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 28 | 2,000 00 | 2,000 00 |
| 31 | 320 | Margaret Bailey, benefit due on the death of her husband John H Bailey, branch 131 St John, N B. | 2,000 00 | 30 | | |
| 31 | 321 | Catherine Maloney, benefit due on the death of her son Rev R D M Jones, branch 47 Arthur Ont. | 1,000 00 | | | |
| 31 | 322 | John Goss and Mary Goss, administrators, benefit due on the death of Thos G Hinck, branch 16 Halifax, N S. | 1,000 00 | | | |
| 30 | 323 | Annie Lalonde, benefit due on the death of her husband Francis Lalonde, branch 79 Gananoque, Ont. | 1,000 00 | | | |
| 30 | 324 | Elizabeth Boudaite, benefit due on the death of her husband Joseph Boudaite, branch 101 Three Rivers, Que. | 1,000 00 | | | |
| July 10 | 325 | Michael J Cadigan, benefit due on the death of his father John Cadigan, branch 31 Peterborough, Ont. | 500 00 | | | |
| 10 | 326 | Catherine E Cadigan, benefit due on the death of her father John Cadigan, branch 31 Peterborough, Ont. | 500 00 | | | |
| 10 | 327 | William Crough, executor and trustee, benefit due on the death of J B Cadigan, branch 31 Peterborough, Ont. | 1,000 00 | | | |
| 11 | 328 | Martha E McPherson and Alexander G Hamilton, administrators, benefit due on the death of Hugh McPherson, branch 131 North Sydney, N S. | 2,000 00 | | | |

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| Dec. | 5 | 378 | Ellen Roe, benefit due on the death of her husband Edward Roe, branch 76 Belleville, Ont.,..... | 2,000 00 | Mar. 2 | 21 | George W Cooke, railway fare and per diem allowed attending meeting of auditors, London, Ont..... | 74 14 |
| 5 | 377 | Wm Connolly, President branch 168, Amherst, N S, benefit due on the death of Ferdinand Bourgeois, branch 168, Amherst, N S..... | 56 86 | 2 | 22 | Charles Dupont Hebert, railway fare and per diem allowed attending meeting of auditors, London, Ont..... | 51 55 | |
| 5 | 378 | Mary Bourgeois, benefit due on the death of her husband, Ferdinand Bourgeois, branch 168 Amherst N S..... | 943 14 | 21 | 21 | J E H Howison, salary for March, 1896..... | 66 00 | |
| 12 | 379 | Rosalio Phillips, benefit due on the death of her husband Michael Phillips, branch 5 Brantford, Ont.,.. | 2,000 00 | Apr. 9 | 21 | S R Brown, salary as Grand Secretary for February and March, 1896..... | 200 00 | |
| 21 | 380 | Stephen J Kelly, guardian of Mary D Curran, benefit due on the death of her father Patrick Curran, branch 35, Cornwall, Ont..... | 1,000 00 | May 12 | 21 | F R Latchford, three months' salary to last March, 1896, Postage and telegram..... | 17 73 | |
| 21 | 381 | Fanny Walsh, benefit due on the death of her husband Thomas Walsh, branch 56 Hamilton, Ont.... | 2,000 00 | 12 | 21 | Thomas Coffey, 12,000 plus "Canadian" and postage, Aug. No. J E H Howison, salary for April, 1896..... | 66 00 | |
| 26 | 382 | Hector Dubuc, benefit due on the death of his son Auguste Dubuc, branch 146 Drummondville, Que. | 2,000 00 | 12 | 21 | S R Brown, salary as Grand Secretary for April, 1896..... | 66 00 | |
| 28 | 383 | Arthur Parent, benefit due on the death of his son Albert Parent branch 173 Bell River, Ont..... | 500 00 | 12 | 21 | J J Tichan, grand deputy, organizing Branch 21, Brewster's Mills..... | 15 00 | |
| 29 | 384 | Barbara Miller, benefit due on the death of her husband Joseph Miller, branch 115 Chepstow, Ont ... | 2,000 00 | 10 | 21 | Thomas Coffey, 12,000 copies "Canadian" and postage, March number..... | 66 00 | |
| 31 | 385 | Alice Kennedy, benefit due on the death of her husband John H Kennedy, branch 56 Hamilton, Ont. | 2,000 00 | 10 | 21 | Grand Council's official expenses - Provincial Treasurer, license registration fee, 1 year | 1 73 | |
| 31 | 386 | F G J Comeau, President Branch 180 Yarmouth, N S., benefit due on the death of Richard J Ryan, branch 180 Yarmouth, N S..... | 77 40 | 8 | 21 | Provincial Treasurer, Collective Agents certificate to 1st July, 1896..... | 1 73 | |
| 31 | 387 | Frank Ryan, benefit due on the death of his son Richard J Ryan, branch 180 Yarmouth, N S | 461 30 | 8 | 21 | Postage and stationery | 1 73 | |
| 31 | 388 | Catherine Ryan, benefit due on the death of her son Richard J Ryan, branch 180 Yarmouth, N S..... | 461 30 | 8 | 21 | Telegrams | 1 73 | |
| 31 | 389 | Margaret O Kennedy, benefit due on the death of her husband Edward Kennedy, branch 232 Montreal, Q..... | 2,000 00 | 10 | 21 | Express | 1 73 | |
| 31 | 390 | Adrienne Carey, benefit due on the death of her husband Edward Carey, branch 54 Montreal, Que..... | 1,000 00 | 10 | 21 | J A Dayon, district deputy, organizing Branch 21, 15 00 | 15 00 | |
| 31 | 391 | Victoria Sikoreki, benefit due on the death of her husband Thos Sikoreki, branch 67 Pembroke, Ont.... | 1,000 00 | July 21 | 46 | Provincial Treasurer, collective certificate of Agents Registry for one year, ending June 30th, 1896 | 50 00 | |
| | | Total paid..... | \$168,150 00 | 21 | 47 | Grand Council's official expenses - Postage and stationery | 1 73 | |
| | | Balance in Grand Treasurer's hands 1st January, 1897 | 903 96 | 21 | 47 | Postage and stationery | 1 73 | |
| | | Balance dans les mains du Grand Trésorier le 1er Janv., '97 } | \$169,143 96 | Aug. 11 | 49 | Express | 1 73 | |
| | | | | 11 | 50 | J A Dayon, district deputy, organizing Branch 21, 15 00 | 15 00 | |
| | | | | 11 | 51 | John Ronan, railway fare and per diem allowed attending meeting of auditors, London, Ont | 11 35 | |
| | | | | 11 | 52 | George W Cooke, railway fare and per diem allowed attending meeting of auditors, London, Ont | 75 00 | |
| | | | | 8 | 53 | Charles Dupont Hebert, railway fare and per diem allowed attending meeting of auditors, London, Ont | 51 55 | |
| | | | | 8 | 54 | Thomas Coffey, 12,000 copies "Canadian" and postage, July No. J E H Howison, salary for July, 1896 | 75 00 | |
| | | | | 8 | 55 | The Catholic Register Printing Co., Toronto, supplies | 15 00 | |
| | | | | 8 | 56 | John Ronan, railway fare and per diem allowed attending meeting of auditors, London, Ont | 11 35 | |
| | | | | 8 | 57 | Lewis I Kramer, district deputy, visiting branches | 15 00 | |
| | | | | 8 | 58 | Rev A E Cherrier, district deputy, organizing Branch 21, Portage La Prairie, Man | 3 00 | |
| | | | | 8 | 59 | C C Lyons & Co., Brockville, Ont., material for badges | 13 00 | |
| | | | | 8 | 60 | Recorder Printing Co., Brockville, Ont., printing badges and cut Rev A E Burke, grand deputy, organizing Branch 21, Wellington, P E I | 5 00 | |
| | | | | 15 | 61 | O K Fraser, expenses for railway fare telegrams and postage | 15 00 | |
| | | | | 15 | 62 | The Catholic Register Printing Co., Toronto, supplies | 55 00 | |
| | | | | 15 | 63 | Grand Council's official expenses - Postage and stationery | 93 21 | |
| | | | | 15 | 64 | Telegrams | 4 77 | |
| | | | | 15 | 65 | Express and cartage | 5 00 | |
| | | | | 15 | 66 | Exchange on drafts | 1 00 | |
| | | | | 15 | 67 | Trunk for supplies | 2 45 | |
| | | | | 15 | 68 | Stenographer at Convention | 12 00 | |
| | | | | 15 | 69 | | 72 53 | |
| | | | | 15 | 70 | W Fitzgerald, Superintendent of Insurance, Dominion of Canada, proportional assessment for the year ending 31st March, 1896 | 85 67 | |
| | | | | 25 | 71 | J B H Howison, salary for September, 1896 | 6 63 | |
| | | | | 25 | 72 | Tyler & McCabe, barristers, Toronto, fees and expenses re the Gormally case | 8 00 | |
| | | | | 25 | 73 | Watson, Smoak & Masten, barristers, Toronto, fees and expenses re the Gormally case | 31 73 | |
| | | | | 25 | 74 | F R Latchford - Five months' salary to 1st September, 1896 | 681 32 | |
| | | | | 25 | 75 | Postage and telegrams | 1 78 | |
| | | | | Oct. 12 | 71 | S R Brown, salary as Grand Secretary for July, August and September, 1896 | 87 10 | |
| | | | | 20 | 72 | W J McKee - For Delegates to Ottawa Convention | 300 00 | |
| | | | | 20 | 73 | Cablegram to Rome and answer | 45 00 | |
| | | | | 20 | 74 | Exchange on draft | 4 25 | |
| | | | | 20 | 75 | Three months' interest on \$1,500 note | 30 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 76 | P J Rooney, expenses attending Trustee meeting, Windsor, Ont., Oct. 11 and 12, 1896 | 7,155 10 | |
| | | | | 22 | 77 | Grand Council's official expenses - Postage and stationery | 41 65 | |
| | | | | 22 | 78 | Telegrams | 5 32 | |
| | | | | 22 | 79 | Express | 1 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 80 | Exchange | 1 25 | |
| | | | | 22 | 81 | Affidavits | 1 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 82 | Rent of vault for one year to 1st November 1896 | 12 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 83 | Expenses attending Trustee meeting, Windsor, Ont | 5 75 | |
| | | | | 22 | 84 | Edward Ryan, M D, attending Trustee meeting, Windsor, Ont., Oct. 11 and 12, 1896 | 28 85 | |
| | | | | 22 | 85 | J J Behan, attending Trustee meeting, Windsor, Ont., Oct. 11 and 12, 1896 | 28 85 | |
| | | | | 22 | 86 | W P Killacky, attending Trustee meeting, Windsor, Ont | 6 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 87 | M Galvin, district deputy, organizing Branch 21 Sheenboro, Que | 8 80 | |
| | | | | 22 | 88 | Thomas Coffey - 500 Postals, re monthly reports | 8 65 | |
| | | | | 22 | 89 | 500 1 p. Letter heads | 1 50 | |
| | | | | 22 | 90 | 1,000 Postals, receipts | 1 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 91 | 500 1 page Pamphlet, list of delegates | 10 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 92 | 500 1 p. Pamphlet, amendments | 12 00 | |
| | | | | 22 | 93 | 500 1 p. Delegates statements | 2 50 | |
| | | | | 22 | 94 | 500 Postals, re notice of approval | 6 50 | |
| | | | | 22 | 95 | 1,000 1 p. Letter heads, linen | 4 50 | |
| | | | | 119 11 | 70 | J E H Howison, salary for October, 1896 | 55 50 | |
| | | | | 119 11 | 71 | J E H Howison, salary for November, 1896 | 55 50 | |
| | | | | Nov. 30 | 70 | Hon M F Hackett, expenses attending Trustee meeting, Windsor, Ont | 55 50 | |
| | | | | Nov. 30 | 71 | Thomas Coffey, 12,000 copies "Canadian" and postage, Aug. No. The Catholic Register Printing Co., Toronto, supplies | 81 95 | |
| | | | | Nov. 30 | 72 | W J McKee, amount of note for loan, Ottawa Convention | 27 45 | |
| | | | | Dec. 18 | 74 | The Catholic Register Printing Co., Toronto, supplies | 2,500 00 | |
| | | | | Dec. 18 | 75 | Rev A E Burke, grand deputy, organizing Branch 21, George- towne, P E I, postage and advertising agency | 21 25 | |
| | | | | 130 81 | 76 | J E H Howison, salary for December, 1896 | 15 20 | |
| | | | | 20 75 | 77 | J E H Power, district deputy, organizing Branch 21, Tracadie, N B, postage | 64 00 | |
| | | | | 20 75 | 78 | | 13 50 | |
| | | | | 13 85 | 79 | | | |

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| Dec. 31 | 89 | Oneisme Bordolesu, railway fare from Convention..... | 30.00 | F. A. Meyer, benefit—Branch | 40..... | \$2,000.00 |
| 31 | 90 | Dr L. A. Planté, district deputy, organizing Branch 299, Yam- achiche, Que. | 11.15 | H. King | " 26..... | 2,000.00 |
| 31 | 91 | L P O Noel, railway fare from Convention | 31.05 | Rev. J. T. Wagner " | " 1..... | 2,000.00 |
| 31 | 92 | Joseph A Deconse, railway fare from Convention | 38.50 | J. McDermott " | " 251..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | Total paid, | 16,485.58 | E. Hattrick " | " 30..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | By balance in Grand Treasurer's hands } Balance dans les mains du Grand Trésorier } | 10.00 | Rev. J. S. Steffen " | " 55..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | | | R. H. Barry " | " 33..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | | | J. Galvin " | " 212..... | 500.00 |
| | | | | Rev. J. Halter " | " 12..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | | | J. J. Sheu " | " 76..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | | | T. Tessier " | " 52..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | BENEFICIARY FUND—FONDS DES BÉNÉFICES—DP. | | D. J. O'Brien " | " 56..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | To balance in Grand Treasurer's hands 1st January, 1891 | 2,891.02 | J. B. Ouellette " | " 58..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | A balance dans les mains du Grand Trésorier, le 1er Janvier, 1891 | | J. Colombo " | " 100..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | To total amount received from Branches from 1st January, 1890, to 1st January, 1891, as shown by statement | 175,008.00 | J. McGuire " | " 93..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | A montant total reçu des Sociétés affiliées du 1er Janvier, 1890, au 1er Jan- vier 1891 suivant est | | F. Fitzgerald " | " 26..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | CR. | | W. T. Connor " | " 202..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | By amount paid beneficiaries, per statement, orders Nos. 27 to 31, inclusive | 8108.15 | E. X. C. Fecteau " | " 238..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | Par montant payé aux bénéficiaires suivant l'état, ordres Nos. 27 à 31, Inclusivement | | V. Laporte " | " 29..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | By amount accrued to Reservo Fund, as shown by statement..... | 8,758.75 | H. Ca .. | " 63..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | Par montant accru au Fonds de Réservoir, suivant l'état | | J. Lockerbie " | " 24..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | By amount in Grand Treasurer's hands | 993.96 | B. Walters " | " 69..... | 2,000.00 |
| | | Par balance dans les mains du Grand Trésorier | | Total..... | | 37,500.00 |
| | | | | | | \$39,145.98 |

SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secretary.
W. J. MCKEE, Grand Treasurer.

RESERVE FUND—FONDS DE RESERVE—DR.

| MEMBERSHIP REPORT—KTAT DFS MEMBRES. | |
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| Number of members on rolls on 1st January, 1896..... | 10,403 |
| Nombre de membres sur les rôles le 1er Janvier, 1896..... | |
| Number of initiations from 1st January, 1896, to 1st January, 1897..... | 1,246 |
| Initiations du 1er Janvier, 1896, au 1er Janvier, 1897..... | |

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| By amount in Par montant la | MERCHANTS' BANK, LONDON, ONT..... | \$ 11,491.00 | | 11,649 |
| | Bank of Toronto. | 11,743.96 | Number of expulsions in 1896. | 390 |
| | Bank of Commerce. | 8,228.35 | Expulsions en 1893. | |
| | Bank of B. N. A. | 10,098.68 | Number of resignations in 1896. | 36 |
| | Bank of Montreal. | 8,712.62 | Resignations en 1896. | |
| | Eastern Township Bank, Stanstead, Que. | 10,775.31 | Number of deaths in 1896. | 107 |
| | | \$ 60,511.95 | Deaths en 1896. | 533 |

GENERAL FUND-FOR DS GENERAL--DR.

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| To balance in Grand Treasurer's hands, 1st January, 1897..... | 4 31 77 | Total membership 1st January, 1897..... | |
| A balance dans les mains du Grand Trésorier, le 1er Janvier, 1897..... | | Nombre total des membres le 1er Janvier, 1897..... | 11,116 |
| " Amount of note discounted at Ottawa Convention..... | 3 25 00 | Number of members holding \$2,000 policies..... | |
| " Montant de billet escompté à la Convention d'Ottawa..... | | Nombre de membres ayant une police de \$2,000..... | 5,970 |
| " Amount of per capita tax from Branches from 1st January, 1896, to 1st January, 1897..... | 10,717 50 | Number of members holding \$1,000 policies..... | |
| " Montant de la taxe par capita reçue des Succursales du 1er Janvier, 1896, au 1er Janvier, 1897..... | | Nombre de membres ayant une police de \$1,000..... | 5,048 |
| " Amount of initiation tax from Branches from 1st January, 1896, to 1st January, 1897..... | 657 51 | Number of members holding \$500 policies..... | |
| " Montant de la taxe d'initiation reçue, etc..... | | Nombre de membres ayant une police de \$500..... | 59 |
| " Amount for supplies and policies, from Branches, from 1st January 1896, to 1st January, 1897..... | 1,161 41 | Amount of the 523 policies that lapsed in 1896..... | 0 |
| " Montant des fournitures, et polices reçue, etc..... | | Montant des 523 polices terminées en 1896..... | \$ 775,500 |
| " Amount advanced by Grand Secretary to take up note..... | 658 73 | Amount of the 11,116 policies in force 1st January, 1897..... | |
| " Montant avancé par le Grand Secrétaire pour payer billet | | Montant des 11,116 polices en force le 1er Janvier, 1897..... | \$17,050 560 |

The following is the number of C. M. B. A. Branches organized in Canada each year since the Association was introduced here:

ASSETS OF THE ASSOCIATION, DEC 31st, 1896.

| ACTIF DE L'ASSOCIATION, AU 31 DIXEMBRE, 1896. | | Of which there are: | |
|--|---|----------------------------|---|
| Cash in the Dépot à la | MERCHANTS' BANK, London, Ont..... | \$11,436 00 | Ce nombre se repartit comme suit: |
| " | Bank of Toronto, London, Ont..... | 11,736 96 | 155 in Ontario, with a membership of..... |
| " | Canadian Bank of Commerce, London, Ont..... | 238 57 | " dans Ontario avec une totalité de membres de..... |
| " | Bank of British North America, London, Ont..... | 10,098 68 | 64 in Quebec, |
| " | Bank of Montreal, London, Ont..... | 8,212 62 | " dans Quebec, |
| " | Eastern Townships Bank, Stanstead, Que..... | 10,779 35 | 20 in New Brunswick, |
| " | Treasurer's hands, (Dans les mains du Trésorier)..... | 1,064 95 | " au Nouv. Brunswick, |
| Cash due from assessments (Dû sur les Cotisations)..... | 15,075 74 | 18 in Nova Scotia, | |
| Cash due from per capita tax, initiation tax, supplies and policies (Dû sur la taxe per capita, la taxe d'initiation, et pour fournitures et polices)..... | 4,006 78 | " dans la Nouvelle-Ecosse, | |
| Supplies on hand (Fournitures en mains)..... | 425 00 | 5 in Prince Edward Island, | |
| Office furniture, including safe (ameublement de bureau, coffre-fort compris) | 260 00 | " dans l'Île du P. Edouard | |

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| LIABILITIES-PASSIVE | | Total..... | 11,116 |
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| L. J. Collin, St. Boniface, Man..... | \$ 38 50 | Branches Nos. 73, 103, 127, 136, 137, 138, 139, 155, 174, 219 and 220 have been | |
| P. Klinkhammer, Winnipeg, Man..... | 33 00 | dissolved, and \$4, 109 and 150 withdrew. | |
| S. R. Brown, Grand Council's official expenses, postage, telegrams, etc..... | 147 32 | Les Succursales Nos. 73, 103, 127, 136, 137, 138, 139, 155, 174, 219 et 220 ont été dissoutes, et les Nos. \$4, 109 et 150 se sont retirées. | |
| Dépenses officielles du Grand Conseil, timbres-poste, téle- grammes, etc..... | | | |
| Thomas Cossey, "The Canadian" for 4 mont's..... | 314 92 | DEATH RECORD IN THE C.M.B.A. OF CANADA—TABLEAU DES MORTS DANS L'A.C.B.M. DU CANADA. | |
| "Le Canadien" 4 mois..... | | From date of formation of the Grand Council, Feb. 10, 1880, to Jan. 1, 1897. | |
| S. R. Brown, three months' salary as Grand Secretary..... | 300 00 | Depuis la formation du Grand Conseil, le 10 Février, 1880, au 1er Janvier, 1897. | |
| Trois mois de salaire comme Grand Secrétaire..... | | | |
| F. R. Latchford, four months' salary as Solicitor, including postage..... | 137 59 | In 1880 there were no deaths. En 1880 il n'y eut pas de décès. | |
| " Quatre mois de salaire comme Solliciteur, timbres-posto compris..... | | " 1881 " 2 " Averago age at death 37 years. Held \$2,000 policies | |
| P. J. Woods, grand deputy..... | 4 95 | Moyenne d'âge au décès. Détenaient | |
| Charles Stock, grand deputy..... | 5 51 | " 37 " " | " |
| The Catholic Register Company, supplies (fournitures)..... | 5 75 | " 27 " " | " |
| S. R. Brown, amount advanced to pay note..... | 658 56 | " 40 " " | " |
| Montant avancé pour payer billet..... | | " 36 " " | " |
| | | " 43 " " | " |
| | | " 41 " " | " |
| | | " 39 " " | " |
| | \$ 1,645 98 | | |

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| In 1889 there were 31 deaths. Average age at death 42 yrs. | 28 Held \$2,000 policies |
| " 1890 " 47 " | 3 " 1,000 " |
| " 1891 " 57 " | 37 " 2,000 " |
| " 1892 " 61 " | 10 " 1,000 " |
| " 1893 " 56 " | 41 " 15 " 2,000 " |
| " 1894 " 73 " | 41 " 50 " 2,000 " |
| " 1895 " 89 " | 11 " 12 " 1,000 " |
| " 1896 " 107 " | 46 " 46 " 2,000 " |
| Total number of deaths..... | 25 Held \$2,000 policies |
| Total des décès..... | 25 Held \$2,000 policies |

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

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

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

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

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

JOHN RONAN,
CHAS. DURON HÉBERT, } Finance Com.
London, Ont., Feb. 12, 1897.

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

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

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

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

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

JOHN RONAN, } Comité des
CHAS. DURON HÉBERT, } Finances.
London, Ont., 12 Février, 1897.

The O'Dwyer Appeal.

Bidulph, Feb. 8, 1897.

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

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| Amount previously reported....\$145 39 |
| Branch 193, London, Ont..... 2 00 |
| " 224, Murray Bay, Que.... 2 00 |
| " 43, Brockville, Ont..... 3 00 |
| " 113, Chelstow, Ont..... 1 00 |
| " 44, Arnprior, Ont..... 2 00 |
| " 67, Penobscot, Ont..... 2 00 |
| " 235, Ridgetown, Ont..... 1 65 |
| " 158, St. V. de Paul, Que.... 1 00 |
| " 217, L'Assomption, Que.... 1 00 |
| " 242, Fredericton, N. B.... 1 00 |
| " 108, Quebec, Que..... 2 00 |
| " 234, Hamilton, Ont..... 1 00 |
| " 33, Morrisburg, Ont..... 2 00 |
| " 188, Carleton Place, Ont... 1 00 |
| " 161, Carlisle, Ont..... 1 00 |
| " 56, Hamilton, Ont..... 2 00 |
| " 230, St. Boniface, Man.... 2 00 |
| " 186, Victoriaville, Que.... 1 00 |
| 1st, asking drafts from Branches 220 and 186..... 2 00 |
| Total..... \$176 04 |

Yours truly,
P. O'Shea, Rec. Sec. Br. 124

Open Meeting

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

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

HONOR ROLL.

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

Branch Officers for 1897.

Branch 23, Cayuga, Ont.
President John A. Murphy, 1st vice P. J. Murphy, 2nd vice Patrick McMillan, recording secretary Geo L. Goodrow, assistant secretary W H Brown, financial secretary William Dermott, treasurer Moses Clair, marshal Joseph Murray, guard John Wadel, trust John Wadel and John Farrell.

Branch 124, Biddulph, Ont.

Spiritual advisor Rev N Galan, president P J Quigley, 1st vice Jas. Toohey, 2nd vice William Dewan, rec. sec. P O'Shea, treas. William Toohey, assistant secretary Michael Quigley, financial secretary James Kelly, marshal William Thompson, guard John John McLaughlin, trustees John Cain, William Thompson, and William Dewan.

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Branch 216, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

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Branch 223, Plautaguet, Ont.

Spiritual adviser Rev E. C. Crotoau, president Rev E. C. Crotoau, 1st vice J. A. Wilson, 2d vice J. A. Chemier, recording secretary J. Belanger, assistant secretary J. Crotoau, financial secretary J. G. Carrier, treasurer F. Desjardins, marshal G. Chemier, guard C. Labrosse, trustees H. Maranda, J. Belanger, F. Gaboury, Arthur Ruleau, J. A. Wilson.

Branch 233, Ridgeway, Ont.

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Branch 238, Quebec, Que.

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Branch 245, Komptville, Ont.

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

Branch 248, New Glasgow, N. S.

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Branch 260, L. E. Pummer, N. S.

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Spiritual adviser Rev E. N. Massie, chancellor Rev P. L. Belliveau, president L. A. Robichaud, 1st vice Daniel H. Ligot, 2d vice J. E. Babineau, recording secretary D. B. Cormier, assistant secretary J. S. Ligot, financial secretary E. H. Thibault, treasurer Joe P. Thibault, marshal G. Boudreau, guard F. A. Thibault, trustees A. Cormier, F. A. Sigu, A. Cormier, John A. Leblanc and G. A. Leblanc.

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Branch 268, Thuras, Que.

Spiritual adviser Rev J. Châtillon, president Rev Jos. Châtillon, 1st vice Jos. Robillard, 2d vice Ed. P. Murphy, recording secretary J. L. Michaud, assistant secretary N. Mondoux, financial secretary Thos O'Leary, treasurer G. Gagnon, marshal Louis Leduc, guard Marcel Dumouchel, trustees Rev. J. Châtillon, Jos. Robillard, J. L. Michaud, Louis Leduc and G. Léveillé.

Branch 273, Portage la Prairie, Man.

President R. McKenna, 1st vice W. Foster, 2d vice John Murphy, recording secretary A. E. Philion, financial secretary Rev J. C. Signett, treasurer C. McFarlane, marshal B. Ryan, guard Bellmore, trustees J. McFarlane, C. McFarlane, Bellmore.

Resolutions of Condolence.

Moved by Rev. D. P. McMenamin, P. P., and seconded by Eam. Sheila g., that we, the members of Branch 214 of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, extend to Brother Martin Smith, and, through him, to his father, brothers and sisters our sincere sympathy and condolence in their bereavement by the death of his mother, whom God in His goodness called to her eternal reward on Jan. 1, 1897, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Brother Martin Smith, the Tati. C. S. S. V. V., and be entered on the minutes of the branch.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 13, Stratford, held Wednesday evening, Jan. 21, 1897, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death the father of our respected Brother Felix Devlin,

Resolved that we, the members of Branch No. 13, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by him and extend to him our most sincere sympathy and condolence in his sad affliction; Also

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be inserted in the minutes of this meeting, and sent to him, and also published in the official organ.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 173, Kitchener, held Monday evening, Feb. 1, 1897, it was moved by Bro. Henry Kelly, seconded by Bro. William Harrigan, that the following resolution be adopted:

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death the father of our much esteemed Bro. James Stark;

Resolved that we, the members of Branch No. 173, hereby express our hearty sympathy for the loss sustained by him and extend to him our most hearty sympathy and a special grace in his affliction. Also

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be inserted in the minutes of this meeting, and sent to him, one to T. H. Kelly, son in law of deceased, and one to the Stark nephew; and one to the Canadian RECORD publication thereon. — James Stark, Pres. John Kelly, Rec. Sec.

The following resolutions were passed by Branch 173, Kitchener, at their last meeting, Feb. 1, 1897:

Moved by Thos. Sharon, seconded by Nelson Dupee.

Whereas Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to afflict our esteemed Brother, Peter Brossart, and family, by removing from home and earth, his loving wife and their tender mother, he it

Resolved that we, the members of Branch No. 173, tender our heartfelt sympathy to Bro. Brossart and family in this their sad bereavement, and trust that an all wise Providence may enable him and family to bear this sudden and severe affliction with Christian resignation. Be it further,

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to Bro. Brossart, and also to the CATHOLIC RECORD for publication therein, and recorded on the minutes of our meeting.

At a special meeting of Branch 9, Kingston, Ont., held on Feb. 1, the following resolution of condolence was moved by Wm Partell, seconded by T. P. Connors, and

Resolved that we, the members of Branch 9, with profound sorrow, record the death of our worthy brothers, John Harrigan; whilst bowing in humble submission to the will of Almighty God we feel that we have lost a faithful member of our Association. We therefore tender his sorrowing wife and family our most heartfelt sympathy in this their sad bereavement, praying that God may grant them abundant grace to bear their sad affliction with Christian resignation; be it further.

Resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of our deceased brother, the same be recorded on the minutes of the branch, and sent to Our official organs and The Canadian Freeman for publication.

At the last regular meeting of St. Gregory's Branch, No. 92, Picton, Ont., held Jan. 5, 1897, the following resolution of condolence, in sympathy with our presiding officer, David J. Goodwin, was unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has been the will of our Dear only Father to remove by death Agnes, the beloved sister of our esteemed president; be it therefore

Resolved that the members of St. Gregory's Branch do hereby tender Bro. Goodwin, his father, mother, brothers and sisters, our deepest sympathy in their great sorrow; and we humbly pray Almighty God, through the intercession of His divine Son, will grant them spiritual consolation; and be it further

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the minute book of the branch, and published in our official organ, THE CANADIAN.

At a meeting of Branch No. 69, Deemer-ton, Ont., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

We, the members of Branch No. 69, Deemerton, beg to record our heartfelt sorrow at the loss of our esteemed brother, Bernard Walter whose death occurred on the 27th December, and whilst bowing in humble submission to the will of our Maker, we pray that Almighty God may grant eternal rest to the soul of our deceased brother.

And whereas by his death the branch has lost an esteemed and worthy member, his wife a model husband, and his children an affectionate father; be it therefore

Resolved that we extend to the widow, family and surviving relatives of our departed brother our heartfelt sympathy and condolence in this their hour of affliction, and trust that Divine Providence may sustain and comfort them in their affliction; and further

Resolved that out of respect for our departed brother our charter be draped in mourning for one month, that these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this meeting published in our local papers and THE CANADIAN and a copy tendered to the widow of the deceased.

LE CANADIEN

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Mutuelle du Canada,

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Les minutes sont invitées à nous envoyer des renseignements d'information dont l'Association peut faire l'usage. Toutes communications et lettres seront tenues et pour les membres de l'A. C. B. M. seront reçues avec plaisir, mais les lettres anonymes et toutes autres lettres que le gérant jugera ne pas être dans l'intérêt de l'Association ne seront pas pris en compte.

Les correspondants voudront bien se rappeler que la copie doit nous parvenir pas plus tard que le 1^{er} du mois, pour être publiée dans le numéro du mois suivant. L'espace étant limité, on voudra bien n'être concis.

Addressez toutes communications à

B. R. BROWN,
Éditeur et Gérant

39th Queen's Ave., London, Ont.

PROCLAMATION.

La Constitution Révisée.

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

Frères — En vertu des pouvoirs dont je suis revêtu de par la Constitution et les Lois de cette Association, Je déclare, par les présentes, la Constitution et les Règlements de ce Grand Conseil, tels que révisés par le Comité nommé à cette fin lors de notre dernière Convention régulière, tenue à Ottawa, Ont., les 25 et 26 Juillet 1896, et tels que maintenant imprimés et dans les mains de notre Grand Secrétaire pour distribution, être la Constitution et les Règlements gouvernant ce Grand Conseil et toutes ses succursales et tous les membres à compter du Premier jour de Mars, 1897, jusqu'à ce qu'ils soient amendés de nouveau.

Fraternellement à vous,

M. F. HACKETT,
Grand Président,
A. C. B. M. du Canada.

Stanstead, P. Q., le 8 Février, 1897.

FEU M. LE JUGE RIOUX.

Nos membres apprendront avec regret la mort du juge G. E. Rioux, arrivé à Sherbrooke, P. Q., le 21 Février dernier. Il a succombé à une maladie qui le minait depuis quelque temps.

Le juge Rioux descendait d'une vieille famille française établie au pays depuis 1666 et à qui la seigneurie de Trois-Rivières avait été accordée, par le roi de France. Le défunt était né le 18 Mars, 1840, et avait fait ses études au séminaire de St. Iacinthe. En 1860 il étudia le droit sous le juge Bourgeois, puis avec MM. Sanborn et Brooks, de Sherbrooke. En 1861, il était admis à la pratique du droit, et en 1864, il était nommé par le gouvernement provincial, magistrat pour le district de St. François; position qu'il a occupée jusqu'à sa mort. Le 5 aout il épousa Mme Marie L. Louise Camirau, fille de feu M. Olivier Camirau de Sherbrooke. Pendant l'invasion des Féniens, il organisa une compagnie de volontaires qui fut adjointe au 5th bataillon et qu'il commanda lui-même, pendant plusieurs années.

Frère Rioux est entré dans l'A. C. B. M. comme membre fondateur de la succursale No. 118 qu'il représenta à

la convention de Montréal en 1890. A cette convention il fut élu Second Grand Vice-Président. Il assista aussi à la convention de Hamilton en 1892, qui le choisit comme membre du Comité Social nommé pour prendre en considération et faire rapport sur les effets de l'Acte des Assurances d'Ontario de 1892, qui pouvaient concerner l'A. C. B. M. Il fut aussi, à cette convention, élu Représentant au Conseil Suprême à sa convention suivante à Montréal, à laquelle le Canada s'assura de la juridiction bénéficiaire séparée. Ce fut à sa suggestion que la division de la constitution en articles fut abolie et les clauses insérées par ordre numérique.

Le juge Rioux était hautement respecté dans la région où il administrait la justice, et il était en faveur particulière auprès des membres de l'A. C. B. M.

Requiescat in Pace.

NOTES.

Nul doute que vous avez bien pesé la question d'un droit de membre dans l'A. C. B. M., avant de signer la demande d'admission; alors vous ne devriez pas faire vos bénéfices dans l'Association en laissant terminer votre police par votre négligence à payer les cotisations. Ne diminuez pas l'assurance que vous avez, mais augmentez-la plutôt, et tenez à votre police dans l'A. C. B. M.

En 1896 l'A. C. B. M., a admis 1246 nouveaux membres; leurs polices représentent la somme de \$1,652,500. Le nombre total des membres au 31 Décembre dernier était de 11,116 et leurs polices représentent la somme de \$17,050,500. Il y a eu 533 polices qui se sont terminées durant l'année comme suit: Par décès 107, représentant la somme de \$181,000; par résignations 36, représentant la somme de \$46,000 et par expulsions 390, représentant la somme de \$548,500. Le montant total des polices terminées a été de \$775,500. Le revenu durant l'année a été: Taxe d'initiation, \$57,50; taxe par capita, \$10,747,50; fournitures et polices, \$1,461,44; cotisations, \$173,098,09; intérêt, \$1,635,14. Total, \$189,599,67. Les déboursés durant l'année ont été: Bénéficiaires, \$168,150; salaires, \$1,840,85; licences et certificat collectif d'agents, \$235,67. Autres déboursés, y compris le paiement en plein de l'argent emprunté pour les Conventions, \$14,272,06. Total, \$184,498,58.

Le Grand Conseil n'a pas encore reçu les garanties de la "Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation" pour le Secrétaire Financier et le Trésorier d'un grand nombre de nos succursales. Ces garanties doivent être données en conformité des clauses 130 à 134, et 176 et 177 de la Constitution. Les succursales qui ne l'ont pas déjà fait voudront bien correspondre sans délai avec Messrs. Schmidt et McKeon, 716 New York Life Building, Montréal, pour se conformer à ces conditions, afin de remplir les arrangements faits entre le Grand Conseil et la "Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation." Si vos officiers s'objectent à aucune des questions du blanc d'application, nous sommes autorisés de déclarer qu'ils

peuvent y répondre à leur discrétion, mais toutes les réponses sont confidentielles. L'acte et l'adresse de chaque applicable doivent être données.

A commencer du 1^{er} Mars, 1897, date de la promulgation de notre nouvelle Constitution, chi pas "demain le d'admission" doit être accompagné de l'honoraria d'initiation de trois dollars et de l'honoraria du Médecin Examinateur en Chef, cinquante centins. Les succursales seront tenues responsables de l'honoraria du Médecin Examinateur en Chef dans chaque cas, et elles doivent faire remise au montant de cet honoraria à chaque trimestre en même temps que la taxe d'initiation et la taxe per capita au Grand Secrétaire. Voyez les clauses 147 et 176. Les aspirants à l'admission, depuis et après la date mentionnée plus haut, ont à payer au Médecin Examinateur local la somme de un dollar et cinquante centins, laquelle est l'honoraria des examinateurs pour l'examen. Comme les succursales doivent dorénavant collecter les cinquante centins pour le Médecin Examinateur en Chef, les Médecins Examinateurs locaux n'ont rien à faire avec cette partie du travail; ils ont simplement à envoyer le certificat Médical au Médecin Examinateur en Chef, sans inclure aucun honoraire.

La circulaire du Grand Président concernant le paiement de la somme de un dollar sur le Fonds Général du Grand Conseil pour chaque nouveau membre ne prend effet qu'avec les demandes d'admission reçues depuis et après le 1^{er} Janvier, 1897. À la fin de chaque trimestre la succursale doit envoyer un état au Grand Secrétaire donnant les noms des membres initiés durant le trimestre et les noms des frères ayant droit à \$1 par chaque initiation. Après avoir reçu cet état, le Grand Conseil fera remise du montant au Secrétaire Financier de la succursale pour être payé aux membres qui y auront droit. L'état doit être signé par le Président et le Secrétaire Archiviste, et porter le sceau de la succursale pour éviter toute dispute. Les succursales peuvent augmenter ou non ce bonus de un dollar en y ajoutant la moitié de l'honoraria d'initiation; elles n'y sont pas obligées, mais c'est une recommandation du Bureau des Syndics du Grand Conseil.

REMERCIEMENTS.

Mr. S. R. Brown,
Grand Secrétaire A. C. B. M.,
London, Ont.

Cher Monsieur — Nous avons reçu de Mr. Wm. McGannon de la succursale No. 33, Morrisburg, Ont., un chèque de \$2,000 pour la police sur la vie de feu notre frère Richard Henry Barry. Nous désirons vous offrir nos remerciements les plus sincères pour votre empressement à payer le montant de cette police et le peu de trouble que vous nous avez donné.

Souhaitant à votre société beaucoup de succès, nous demeurons,

Vos reconnaissantes,

ANNIE E. BARRY,
MARY BARRY.
Morrisburg, Ont., 22 Février, 1897.