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ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.

NOTES.

Grand Deputy Brother W. J. Power, of Halifax, N. S., intends giving a valuable gavel as a prize to the branch in Nova Scotia including Cape Breton, that initiates the greatest number of members in 1897, the report of initiations in *The Canadian* to be the authority in deciding said number. We trust other Grand Deputies will follow the good example set by Brother Power.

At the meeting for the installation of the officers of Branch 15, Toronto, Ont., for 1897, Brother Rooney, Grand Trustee, delivered a very spirited address. One of the members in writing to us says: "Chancellor Rooney's remarks to those absenting themselves from the branch meetings, imposing the work of the many on the shoulders of the few, will be long remembered by all present. He explained in a very lucid manner the duties of the officers and the other members, and how they should act to fulfil the obligations they took, and pointed out the necessity of all working to increase the membership of the Association and to keep the C. M. B. A. the leading fraternal insurance organization doing business under the auspices and with the full approval of the Church."

The Deputies of Montreal District have been busily engaged since the first of January visiting branches and installing officers, and efforts to instil new life in some of them have been made, and good results from these visits are expected. We have every reason to think that we may expect to see a large increase in the membership from this quarter. Branch 26 started out with seventeen applications at its last meeting, and a few more are under way for their next meeting. Those seventeen applications were the result of an open meeting held on January 11. On February 8 Grand President Hackett will visit Branch 26, when another open meeting will be held, to be followed by another on February 10 by Branch 142. Branches 30, 74, 51 and 87 are also arranging for similar meetings, the main object being to increase the membership.

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.

LETTERS OF THANKS.

Mr W. Schuler, City.
Dear Sir—Kindly forward this letter to the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada.

And oblige,
Mrs R. PHILLIPS.

Brantford, Jan. 14, 1897.

To the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada.

Dear Sirs—I have received from Mr. W. Schuler, Secretary of the C. M. B. A. Branch No. 5 Brantford, a check for \$2,000 in full due under policy issued to my late husband Michael Phillips, and I wish to express my thorough appreciation of the courteous and generous treatment I have received in the settlement of this claim. I have been put to no unnecessary trouble or expense in completing proofs. I thank you heartily and shall always have a good word for the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association. Wishing your Council every success in the future.

Yours very truly,
Mrs. ROSE PHILLIPS,
Mt. Pleasant Road, Brantford, Ont.

Montreal, Jan. 19, 1897.
Samuel R. Brown, Grand Secretary,
London, Ont.

Dear Sir and Brother—Draft for \$2000.00 for claim under life policy from our association to Bro. Ed. Kennedy was duly received and paid over to his widow, Margaret O'Connor Ken-

nedy, as the accompanying receipts will show.

Mrs. Kennedy desires me to make acknowledgement for her, and at the same time to thank you and our beautiful association, on behalf of herself and her little children, for the promptness and courtesy exhibited in the payment of this claim.

Yours fraternally,
W. J. McCaffrey,
Rec Sec Br 232.

NEW BRANCH.

Branch No. 277 was organized on Jan. 21st at Brandon, Man., by Grand Deputy Rev. A. A. Chénier. The following is the list of officers:

Spiritual Adviser, Rev. W. L. Jubinville, P. P.
President, J. C. McDonald.
1st Vice-President, Fred. W. Senkbiel.
2nd Vice-President, Charles Murphy.
Recording Secretary, Rev. W. L. Jubinville.
Assistant Recording Secretary, Gustave Gervais.
Financial Secretary, Philip Farrell.
Treasurer, Omer Desjêts.
Marshal, Chas. L. Wright.
Guard, Neil McKinnon.
Trustees, W. L. B. Morrison, Geo. H. Sterling, Wolfgang Koller, Philip Farrell and John Greer.

Installation in Branch 226.

The installation of the officers of Branch 226, Cote St. Paul, Que., was carried out in a most imposing manner. A large number of members of the Association from the city of Montreal attended. President A. T. Martin presided and amongst those present were Grand Deputies J. J. Costigan, Joseph Girard, A. H. Spedding, T. P. Tansey, President Lenoir, Branch 210, Chancellor J. H. Feeley, Branch 26; Vice President M. Egan, Branch 26; Brothers Jas. Milloy, Thos. R. Stevens and others. The ceremony of installation was conducted by Grand Deputy Costigan.

After the installation an open meeting was held, and was taken advantage of by a large number of the friends of the Branch.

Open Meeting of Branch 145.

The officers and members of Branch 145, Toronto, have arranged for an open meeting to be held in the hall of St. Michael's College, St. Joseph street, on the evening of Monday the first of March next. A short programme of music will be followed by a lecture in "Formative Influences in Canadian

History by the Honorable G. W. Ross, Minister of Education for Ontario. Dr. Ross's well known eloquence and the interesting character of the subject, promise a rare treat to those fortunate enough to be able to attend. His Grace Archbishop Walsh will take the chair.

Invitations have been sent to the several Recording Secretaries of city branches, for their members, and every Brother in the city, as well as any Brothers who may be visiting Toronto, are hereby cordially invited to attend.

Presentation.

A most pleasing presentation took place at a late regular meeting of Branch 28, Ottawa, Ont., when its popular and worthy Bro. Phil. Moylan was presented with a gold pin as having been instrumental in initiating no less than fourteen members in the short space of six weeks. The competition for the next prize promises to be keenly pursued, and it may safely be predicted that ever long Branch 28 will be the banner branch of the Association. Branch 28 is made up of a live membership, and all vie with each other in who can do the most good for the Association, notwithstanding the great competition which exists in a city like Ottawa.

Delays are Dangerous

The man who knows of a thing that should be done, something of the greatest importance to his family and an obvious duty on his part to perform, and neglects to do it, is certainly not deserving of the affection of those nearest to him by ties of relationship, nor of respect from the outside world. If he had invested the savings of many years in a house and the furnishings of a comfortable home, and was indifferent to the protection of a fire insurance policy, how would he be regarded by his friends and well wishers? But the house might stand for a century and not take fire. His life—well, each day brings him nearer to where death stands awaiting him, and to escape is impossible. Any one of the myriad forms of disease may assail him, without warning or preliminary, and further—as noted in our quotation—even the most careful men cannot be safe from death by accident. Now is the time to insure your life.—Common Sense.

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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 this 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.

Instructions to Grand Deputies of the C. M. B. A.

HOW TO INSTITUTE A BRANCH.

1. Call the meeting to order, and have the usual opening prayer said by a priest, if present, and if not, by yourself.

2. Read the report you received from the Grand Secretary, giving the names, etc., of the applicants whose medical certificates have been approved, and have said applicants answer to their names. Then request all others, excepting Rev. Fathers or those who are already members of the Association, to withdraw.

3. Arrange the room as nearly as possible, in accordance with the diagram in our Ceremonial.

Read the obligation of the Association to the candidates, and be assured that the answer, "I do," is given by each of them to the question contained in the last sentence of said obligation.

4. Have each member sign the roll book, pay his first assessment according to Section 1 of our Constitution, also his initiation fee of \$3.00 and Supervising Medical Examiner's fee of 50c, if the last two items have not already been paid; then present each member with a copy of the Constitution.

5. The nomination and election of officers should then take place.

Immediately after the election, install the officers-elect and conduct each to his respective station when obligated.

6. Now put the Branch through a form of meeting, according to Section 207, explaining thoroughly each order of business as you proceed.

Instruct the members well in the use of the "Gavel," the "Duty of Members Entering or Leaving during Session," the

"Method of Balloting," the meaning of the "Design" placed over the President's station, and the "Opening" and "Closing" Ceremonies.

Under order 13, New Business, have the Branch arrange the date and place for holding its regular meetings, and the amount of Monthly Dues. This may be done by a "standing resolution" or "by-law," in compliance with Section 156 and 157.

Under order 15, Good of the Association, give a thorough explanation regarding the working of the Association and the duties of members, especially officers of Branches. Impress upon them the necessity of dealing promptly with the Grand Secretary in remitting assessment and general fund monies, and forwarding applications for membership with blanks properly filled in as soon as possible after initiation. If Branches are negligent in the discharge of their duties towards the head office, how can they expect the Grand Secretary to conduct the business with that efficiency which we so much desire should characterize the C. M. B. A. of Canada?

Have an order drawn on the Treasurer of the Branch for \$25.00, and forward said order and amount, the applications for membership, your report and bill of expenses, to the Grand Secretary without delay.

The necessary expenses of Grand Deputies when instituting Branches are paid by the Grand Council.

After the Branch has been instituted and the Grand Secretary has received a list of the officers and charter members, he will make out the Charter for the Branch and forward it to the Recording Secretary.

The welfare of a Branch depends in a great measure upon its first officers, and the way in which they discharge their duties.

Letter from Grand Deputy Bent.

DO THE MEDICAL EXAMINERS DO THEIR DUTY TO THE C. M. B. A.?

The fact that the C. M. B. A. starts out this year with a "double-header," and the number of deaths from consumption and kindred diseases that are reported from month to month, force us to the conclusion that there is something wrong in the matter of the admission of new members. Many of the deaths are those of brothers who have been but a short time members of the Association, and who, if in good health at the time of their initiation, should not develop pulmonary diseases so soon as many of them do.

Our Association should now number in its ranks 25,000 or 30,000 strong, vigorous, healthy members, instead of less than half that number—and that without allowing men of defective physical condition or doubtful family history becoming members. I admit that even at the limit of assessments—twenty-four—insurance in the C. M. B. A. would be cheap, but if the number can be kept down by careful selection of risks, so much the better for the artisans and laboring men and those who have but small salaries to live on, who form the bulk of the membership.

It seems to me that local medical examiners are in some degree responsible for the feature complained of. Some of them must be in some way, or other, cloaking defective family history, or there would be fewer deaths from consumption and kindred diseases, of brothers who have been a comparatively short time members of the Association. Supervising Medical Examiner Ryan, in his report to the Ottawa Convention, stated that since the preceding Convention "the death-rate has been unusually heavy," and also that of 3,145 who sought admission 215 were rejected. This is a large percentage of rejections, and proves that a great many are seeking admission who are physically unfit to become members of the C. M. B. A., the interests of which cannot be too carefully safeguarded, if assessments are to be kept down to fifteen or sixteen a year. It may be said, and it is said, that a local medical exam-

iner cannot refuse to examine an applicant for membership, but that he can make his report (where he knows that an applicant is positively unfit for membership) so unfavorable that the man is sure to be rejected. Do they always do this, however? That is the question. Or do they occasionally smooth over an applicant's family history? The undeniable and unpleasant fact remains that men do secure admission to the C. M. B. A. who should not, and this is abundantly proven by the monthly death-roll in THE CANADIAN.

It gives me great pleasure to direct attention to the fact that Prince Edward Island has never so far been any financial burden upon the Association. The first branch in this province was organized over three years ago, and we have now eight active branches on the Island; yet we have not up to this date had even one death to report from sickness or disease. The only break by death in our ranks was the accidental drowning of Captain Farrell, a strong and healthy brother, only a few days after his initiation. This is a record which we believe cannot be duplicated by any other province in the Dominion. And, further, we venture the assertion that the percentage of rejections is smaller in this province than in any other. This shows that we are either a healthier people, or that greater care is exercised by the Island branches in the admission of new members than is the case in the other provinces. True, our turn will come, but may it be long deferred.

Let us endeavor to double the membership of the C. M. B. A. this year, but let the utmost care be exercised that it is not done at the expense of the physical status—if I may so express it—of the noble Association of which we are all proud to be members. Let the membership be increased as rapidly as possible, but by sound and healthy risks only. In this way the reserve fund will be all the more quickly sent up to its limit and its earnings applied to the payment of beneficiary claims, and the death-rate lowered, thus making special assessments unnecessary. The C. M. B. A. will then long continue to be what it always has been and is to-day—the grandest and the best insurance and fraternal organization existing for the professional man, the clerk, the artisan and the laborer.

S. M. BENT,

Grand Deputy.

Summerside, P. E. I., Jan. 29, 1897.

A PLEASANT EVENING IN SYDNEY, N. S.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the C. M. B. A. Hall, Sydney, C. B., on Tuesday evening, the 11th of January, at a dinner given by the Chancellors of Branch 189—Bros. C. Cairns, M. A. McDonald, D. M. Curry and E. C. Hanrahan—to the members of the branch and a few guests. President D. R. McLellan presided, and sitting at his left were Rev. Father Quinan, P. P., Spiritual Adviser of the Branch; E. C. Hanrahan, chancellor; D. A. Hearn, Esq., President League of the Cross; L. N. McDonald, Esq., Vice-President, and John L. McDougall Municipal Clerk, Rec. Secretary—League of the Cross. At the right of the chair were, John Young, Esq., Treasurer League of the Cross; L. Duran, guest and Chancellor; D. M. Curry; D. K. McIntyre, 1st Vice-President Branch 189, and others. After Justice had been done the excellent lunch, prepared and served by Bro. G. L. Burgey in his usual excellent manner, an impromptu toast list was prepared, and "The Queen" being proposed by Chancellor E. C. Hanrahan, all present rose and sang the National Anthem. The President proposed "The Clergy," coupling with it the name of the branch's Spiritual Adviser, which was heartily

received by all present, and brought forth a splendid address by Rev. Father Quinan, who dwelt at length upon the good that has been and will continue to be done by the C. M. B. A. The Rev. Father Quinan, though getting well on in years, still retains all his old time eloquence and his splendid gifts as a speaker. "The Press" was responded to by S. P. Challoner, of the Colliery News. "Branch 189" was responded to by Chancellor D. M. Curry, who, in a most interesting manner, referred to the rapid growth of the C. M. B. A. throughout Canada and the very satisfactory position Branch 189 holds as regards its membership, finances, etc., among the two hundred and seventy odd branches under the jurisdiction of the Grand Council of Canada. "Our absent brethren," coupled with the names of Rev. J. M. Quinan, Vicar General, and Rev. D. J. McIntosh, P. P. North Sydney, who organized Branch 189, was proposed and responded to by Rev. Father Quinan who explained that these kind gentlemen had intended to be present but found it impossible owing to engagements in their respective parishes. "Our Guests" brought forth excellent addresses from Messrs D. A. Hearn, L. N. McDonald and John L. McDougall. "Branch 132," Halifax, coupled with the toast the name of Bro. Murphy a member of that branch who was present as a guest. Bro. Murphy delighted those present by singing that favorite song, "A Letter from Home." Chancellor E. C. Hanrahan and Bro. Jas. J. Curry responded to the toast, "The Ladies." A great deal of praise was given the Ladies of the congregation for their valuable assistance, in the erecting and finishing of the magnificent hall now owned and occupied by the branch. "Grand Council and officers of the C. M. B. A. of Canada" was received by singing, "They are Jolly Good Fellows" (and so they are) Bro. D. K. McIntyre, whose name was coupled with the toast, "Our Medical Adviser and Examiner," replied with a very neat speech and it will not be his fault if any death claims from Branch 189 are made in the Grand Council in the near future. "The Chancellor" was the last toast on the programme and was responded to by Chancellor E. C. Hanrahan and D. M. Curry. Then followed the old time honored "Auld Lang Syne," which concluded one of the most pleasant and most entertaining public social ever held in Sydney.

Bro. A. Keefe and Mr. Davion during the evening enlivened the audience with songs, which were highly appreciated and enquired. Branch 189 may well be proud of its success in erecting and owning the comfortable hall in which the members hold their regular meetings.

It is the intention of the members to have a reading room started in a part of the basement of their Hall in the near future, and other innocent amusements as well. The members of the branch are making elaborate preparations for a Ball to be given in honor of the Ladies of the Congregation who gave such noble assistance in raising funds for the construction of their Hall.

HONOR ROLL.

Branch No. 238, Quebec, Que., heads the honor roll for the greatest number of initiations during the month of December, 1896, having initiated seven members.

Branch No. 32, Wingham, Ont., comes next in order, having initiated five members.

Branch Officers for 1897.

Branch 9, Kingston, Ont.

Spiritual adviser Rev T Kelly, V.G, president Michael Brennan, lat vice Jas Coyle, 2d vice T P Connors, recording secretary M J Nolan, assistant recording secretary H Meyers, financial secretary Wm Purtell, treasurer A Hantley, marshal B Hantley, guard P Whelan, trustees Jas Norris, J Daley, L O'Brien, T P Thompson, Wm Shanahan.

Branch 15, Toronto, Ont.

Spiritual adviser Father Hayden, C S S R, chancellor Jas F Callaghan, president Jas J O'Hearn, 1st vice P J Crovett, 2d vice D O Hagen, recording secretary C N Ryan, financial secretary A S Gormally, treasurer E F Wheaton, assistant recording secretary A Cain, marshal R Aylward, guard W Moran trustees W Ray, F Elbach.

Branch 18, Niagara Falls, Ont.

Chancellor Peter O. Naill, president Patrick Griffin, 1st vice George Sheppard, 2d vice Patrick Purcell, recording secretary William Burke, assistant secretary Daniel Mahoney, financial secretary Lonis Drury, treasurer George Sealer, marshal Michael Kelly, guard Thomas Sullivan, trustees Thomas Farrell, Edward Kelly, Michael Glynn, John Frye, Patrick Kelly.

Branch 27, Petrolia, Ont.

Chancellor Tim Gallivan, president J T Hoban, 1st vice J H Kelly, 2d vice M J Riley, recording secretary Chas McManus, financial secretary Tim Gallivan, treasurer A Kavanagh, marshal Thos Burns, guard John Burns, trustees A Kavanagh, M J Kelly, T J Hoban, Chas McManus, P F Riley.

Branch 29, Ottawa, Ont.

Spiritual adviser Rev Father Paliquette, chancellor D L Desautels, president Alfred Morin, first vice J A Dyon, second vice E E Penault, recording secretary L Leframboise, assistant secretary A A Pinard, financial secretary A H Bellevue, treasurer George Robitaille, marshal A Lacerte, guard P La Porte, trustees: F R Campeau, J A Pole, A E St. Pierre, L H Pouliot, L Leframboise.

Branch 31, Guelph, Ont.

President Jas K. Weekes, 1st vice S A Heffernan, 2d vice Patrick Conway, recording secretary J Kennedy, assistant secretary M J Duran, financial secretary George Ungthart, treasurer W J Dingman, marshal Jeremiah Sullivan, guard Henry Lefnæki, trustees Eugene Korman, Theodore Heig, John Leahan, Patrick McCabe, M J Duran.

Branch 41, Montreal, Que

Spiritual adviser Rev E Struble, C S S R, president William J. McEnery, 1st vice Thomas Pagman, 2d vice William J. Raffeltz, secretary John J Jones 572 St Antoine St, assistant secretary Hugh D. Huey treasurer Dennis Baxter, financial secretary H. Thompson (559 Richardson St), marshal Michael O'Brien, guard C. Gleason, chancellor Arthur J. Jones, trustees I. Belloan, A. Jones, John D. Huey, Thomas E. Moore, M O'Brien.

Branch 51, Barrie, Ont.

Chancellor E. Savigny, president Wm Moore, 1st vice L. J. Ely, 2d vice E. Ludlow, recording secretary P. Moran, assistant secretary W. H. Crossland financial secretary T. F. O'Meara, treasurer John Coffey, marshal James Malley, guard A. W. Beardsley, trustees W. M. Moore E. Savigny, M. Shanacy, P. Kearns, T. F. O'Meara.

Branch 62, St Mary's, On

Spiritual advisor Rev P J Brennan, president John Edwards, 1st vice Thomas Egan, 2d vice Wm Haney, recording secretary James Kennedy, assistant secretary Patrick Dunn, financial secretary Patrick McFadden treasurer James Kennedy, marshal Thomas Teavlin, guard Edward Rozan, trustees James Kennedy, H & Ronan, Patrick McFadden, Thos Teavlin, Patrick Dunn.

Branch 64, North Bay, On

Chancellor J J Mackey, president Rev D J Scallard, 1st vice Richard Bunyan, 2d vice L A Gauthier, recording secretary H C Varin, assistant secretary T E J Bourke, financial secretary D J McKee, treasurer Michael Brennan, marshal Patrick Bourke, guard Law Brennan, trustees H C Varin, P J Fink, P J Murphy, B M Mulligan, John Brennan.

Branch 67, Pambroke, Ont.

Spiritual adviser Rev E A Latulipe, chancellor P J Ryan, president N Gareau, 1st vice John J Jewell, 2d vice Peter Chaput, financial secretary M Howe, treasurer Jas Devlin, recording secretary F E Goodwin, assistant secretary T McIsuire, marshal T Delaney, guard James Neville, trustees P J Ryan, Jas Spellman and E Behan.

Branch 68, Hull, Quebec.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Father Provost,
President B Carriere, 1st vice G Barrow,
2nd vice O Gatten, recording secretary L

Resolutions of Condolence.

The following resolutions of condolence were adopted at a regular meeting of Branch 26, Montreal, Quebec.

Whereas, the Almighty God has seen fit to take from our midst by death our beloved brother Thos. Fitzgerald

Resolved, that the sincere sympathy of the members of the branch be tendered to the bereaved widow and family of the deceased.

Resolved, that the charter of the branch be draped in mourning for the space of one month and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of our deceased brother and a copy of same be sent to the CANADIAN.

At a regular meeting of Branch 121, Port Colborne, Ont., the following resolution was passed on motion of Frank Stuart, seconded by Brother Thos. Lunnan

Whereas it has pleased Divine Providence through the angel of death to visit the family of our esteemed Bros., Jas. and Richard Twomey and remove them from a dearly loved wife and kind and loving mother,

Resolved that the members of this branch tender Aros, Jas. and Richard Twomey and family their sincere sympathy in their sad affliction and that a copy of this resolution be given our worthy brothers and also entered upon the minutes of the meeting, that they be published in the official organ and county papers.

At a regular meeting of Branch 120 Port Colborne, Ont., a resolution of condolence was read and passed on motion of Bro. Frank A. Stuart seconded by Bro. Thos. Lunnan:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst the beloved mother of Bro. Jacob Strifflus, resolved that we the members of Branch 120 tender Bro. Jacob Strifflus our sincere sympathy in their irreparable loss he has sustained and a copy of this resolution be given our worthy Bro. and that they be entered upon the minutes of this meeting and be published in the official organ and county papers.

At a regular meeting of Branch 212 Montreal, Que. a resolution of condolence to the family of the late Bro E. Kennedy, was moved by Bro J. H. H. H. and seconded by Bro I. M. Ireland.

A resolution of sympathy to Bro A. C. Coleman, on the death of his mother, was also adopted.

At a regular meeting of Branch 189, Sydney C. B. N. S., held on the evening of the 9th Dec. 1896, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death Capt. John McKinnon of Shun-ascadie, father of our respected brother M. J. McKinnon.

Resolved that we the members of Branch 189 C. M. B. A. hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by Bro. McKinnon and extend to him our most sincere sympathy and condolence in his sad affliction.

Also resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent Bro. M. J. McKinnon; spread on the records of this meeting and also sent to the Casket and THE CANADIAN.

At a regular meeting of Branch 215 Summerside, P. E. I. held in their hall Dec. 1896, the following resolution was moved by Bro. Charles Murphy and seconded by Bro. J. C. McDonald and carried unanimously.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death the respected mother of our worthy brother Paulinus McDonald,

Resolved therefore that we the members of branch 215 C. M. B. A. extend to Bro. McDonald and the sorrowing relatives of the departed one, our heartfelt sympathy and condolence in their hour of trial and affliction.

Further resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy sent to Bro. McDonald, and that the Summerside Journal and THE CANADIAN newspapers be also furnished with copies for publication.

At the regular meeting of Branch 100 Baden Ont., held on Thursday Dec 3rd 1896, the following resolution was unanimously adopted

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst by death our worthy esteemed brother John Colombo, father of our worthy Rev. J. Colombo be it therefore

Resolved that, while bowing to the will of Almighty God, the members of this branch desire to express their sincere sorrow for the loss of so an esteemed and worthy a member of this branch: be it further

Resolved that we convey to the wife and family of our late lamented brother our unfeigned sympathy in their bereavement, and we pray that God in His mercy will comfort and sustain them in their sad affliction for the loss of a kind and loving husband and father;

Further resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this meeting and also a copy of the same to be sent to the wife and family of our deceased Bro. and to our Official Organ THE CANADIAN for publication.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 13, Stratford, held Wednesday evening Dec. 24, 1896, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death the father of our respected Brother, Patrick O'Rourke,

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.

London, Ont., Dec. 29, 1896.

At the last regular meeting of Branch No. 1, C. M. B. A., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call to her eternal reward the beloved mother of our esteemed brother, John Flynn. Be it, therefore,

Resolved that the members of the branch extend to Brother Flynn and family their heartfelt sympathy in their sad affliction. Be it, further,

Resolved that this resolution be entered on the minutes of our Branch and a copy sent to our official organs for publication.

At a special meeting of Branch No. 22, C. M. B. A. Chatham, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Resolved that this branch, having learned with regret of the sudden death of our highly esteemed brother W. P. Connors, Grand Deputy for Canada and Chancellor of this branch, whilst bowing in humble submission to Divine Providence, who decrees all things for the best, hereby places on record and tenders to his bereaved family, his widowed mother, and Bros. James F. and Thomas F. Connors, its profound sympathy in this their affliction, and in evidence of its condolence decrees that our charter be draped in mourning for the period of three months, and a copy of the resolution be presented to his wife and family, and published in the local papers and THE CANADIAN.

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

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death the father of our respected brother, Charles Stock,

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 entered in the minutes of this meeting, and sent to him, also published in the official organ.

At a regular meeting of Branch 201 Alexandria, Ont. held Dec. 22nd 1896; the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has pleased Divine Providence in His infinite wisdom to call to their everlasting home Catharine McMillan, beloved sister of our much esteemed brother, Rev. Donald D. McMillan; Mrs. Alexander McMillan, beloved mother of our highly respected brother, Donald J. McMillan; the beloved child of our worthy First Vice-President, Brother P. A. Hart; be it

Resolved, while we bow in submission to the all-wise Providence, that we, the members of Branch 201, tender Bro. Donald D. McMillan, Bro. Donald J. McMillan, Bro. P. A. Hart our sincere sympathy in this hour of their trials.

At the regular meeting of Branch 43, Brockville, held Jan. 19, 1897, the following resolution was moved by Brother S. J. Geash, seconded by Brother J. Doherty, and

Resolved, That whereas, it hath pleased Almighty God in His wisdom to call to his eternal reward our reverend and beloved brother, John J. Kelly, pastor of Yonge, this branch desires to place on record its deep sorrow at the loss sustained by the Church in this Archdiocese in the death of our reverend brother, and its deep sympathy for the parents, brothers and sisters of the deceased in their hour of affliction.

Resolved, that a record of this motion be sent to the relatives of Father Kelly, to THE CANADIAN and spread upon the minutes of this branch.

Resolved, further, that the charter of this branch be draped for the period of thirty days in memory of our deceased brother.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 60, Dublin, Ont., held on Wednesday, January 30, the following resolution of condolence was moved by Bro. J. Carpenter, seconded by Bro. P. O'Le:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove to a happier sphere Louis, son of our esteemed and worthy President, Brother Bernard O'Connell, be it

Resolved that the members of Branch 60 tender their sincere condolence to Bro. O'Connell and family.

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the bereaved parents, and to the official organ, THE CANADIAN.

Whereas it having pleased Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, to call from this life the beloved wife of our esteemed brother, Capt. John Sullivan, be it, therefore,

Resolved that we, the members of Branch 10, St. Catharines, extend our sincere sympathy to Brother Sullivan in the loss he and his children have sustained in the death of a loving wife and a kind and affectionate mother, and pray that Almighty God will comfort them in this their bereavement

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Bro. Sullivan, inserted in the minutes and a copy sent to the official organs.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM—SYSTÈME DE COTISATION.

February Assessment. Cotisation du mois de Fév. No. 2. Deaths Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13. Décès

The Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada. Le Grand Conseil de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada.

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

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

Bureau du Grand Secrétaire, London, Ont., 1 Février, 1897.
Cher Monsieur et Frère—Vous êtes, par le présent, officiellement notifié du décès des frères ci-après nommés:

NO.	NAME.	BRANCH NO.	LOCATION.	ADMITT'D.	DIED.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
NO.	NOM.	SIEGE.	ADMIS.	DÉCÉDÉS.	CAUSE DU DÉCÈS.	
1	John H. Sull van	26	Montreal, Que.	2000	Oct. 27, '96	Cereb. Hemorrhage
2	Joseph O. Hardy	97	Quebec, Que.	2000	Feb. 28, '95	Inflam. of Lungs
3	John Powers	2	St. Thomas Ont.	2000	Aug. 9, '91	Pneumonia
4	Michael Tagney	23	Leam. rth, Ont.	2000	Mar. 21, '97	Apoplexy
5	William Carley	21	Parrsboro, N. S.	1000	July 10, '91	Tuber. Laryngitis
6	Francis Laberge	110	Quebec, Que.	1000	Feb. 19, '95	Consumption
7	Napoleon Lamotte	101	Three Rivers, Q.	2000	ep. 9, '95	Dys. epila.
8	Elie Marcel	87	Montreal, Que.	2000	Aug. 6, '90	Bronchitis
9	John Holland	188	Carleton Pl., Ont.	2000	Jan. 10, '94	Apoplexy
10	Rev. J. J. Kelly	43	Brockville, O. I.	2000	Mar. 19, '91	Parotidary Tuber.
11	Alex Ricard	148	Calumet, Ind. Q.	1000	Dec. 29, '90	Cancer of stomach
12	Rev. N. Pelletier	236	Somerest, Man.	1000	Oct. 28, '95	Cancer of Stomach
13	John Harrigan	8	Kings' Co., Ont.	2000	Dec. 5, '91	Typhoid Fever

Deaths Nos. 1 and 2 not placed in regular order, proof of death not having been received in time.

Les décès Nos 1 et 2 ne sont pas rapportés dans l'ordre régulier, la preuve n'ayant pas été reçue en temps.

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

Compte-rendu du Fonds des Bénéficiaires et du Fonds de Réserve pour le mois de Jan. 1897.

BENEFICIARY FUND—FONDS DES BÉNÉFICIAIRES.		DR.
Amount on hand Jan. 1st.	1897	\$ 992.48
Montant en caisse le 1er Jan.		
Amount in Grand Secretary's hands not reported		1.50
Dans la main du Grand Secrétaire		
Received during Jan. from	No. 12 Assessment	129.50
Reçu durant le mois de Jan.	No. 13 & 14	3,734.70
	No. 15	7,515.14
	No. 1	51.35
1897.		CR.
Jan. 15, Benefits paid on account of	F. A. Meyer, Order	302,393.20
Bénéfices payés à compte de	Henry King,	393.
15, do	Rev. J. T. Wagner,	594.
25, do	John Galvin,	357 & 398.
28, do	Rev. J. Halter,	399.
30, do	Rev. J. L. Steffens,	400.
30, do	R. H. Barry,	401 & 402.
February (Février) 1st, 1897, Balance		488.71
		\$12,418.71
Total amount of Beneficiary Fund collected since 1st January, 1893, to date.		\$537,06.31
Mon. ant. total du Fonds des Bénéficiaires collecté depuis le 1er Janv., 1893, à cette date.		
Total amount paid to the Beneficiaries of deceased members to date.		\$537,257.57
Montant total payé aux Bénéficiaires des membres décédés à ce to date.		

RESERVE FUND—FONDS DE RESERVE.

Amount on hand January 1st.	1897	\$ 50,041.31
Montant en caisse le 1er Jan.		
Amount accrued since last report		603.15
Montant accru depuis le dernier rapport		
Interest reported up to 1st Jan. 1897.		357.03
Inté. et rapporté au 1er Jan.		
Total		\$ 61,046.11

SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secretary.

To the Members of the C. M. B. A. of Canada—

Brothers—The foregoing statement of Assessment No. 2 (February Assessment) is given in compliance with Section 7 of Beneficiary Fund Law; the legal notice of these regular monthly assessments is given in our Constitution. You must pay this Assessment to the Financial Secretary of your Branch on or before the third day of March, 1897. Branch Treasurers must remit to me the amount of this Assessment, accompanied with Monthly Assessment Report, on or before the 9th day of March, 1897. Members, and especially officers of branches, are requested to carefully read Sections 1, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of our Constitution in order to become acquainted with the regulations regarding Assessments.

Yours fraternally,
SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Sec.

Aux Membres de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada—

Frères—L'état précédent de la Cotisation No. 2 (Cotisation du mois de Février) est donné en conformité de la Clause 7ème de notre loi concernant le Fonds des Bénéficiaires; l'avis légal de ces cotisations mensuelles régulières est donné dans notre Constitution. Vous devez payer cette cotisation au Secrétaire Financier de votre Succursale le ou avant le 3ème jour de Mars, 1897. Les Trésoriers des Succursales doivent me faire remise du montant de cette cotisation, accompagnée du Rapport de la Cotisation Mensuelle, le ou avant le 9ème jour de Mars, 1897. Les membres, et plus particulièrement les officiers des succursales, sont priés de lire attentivement les Clauses 1, 8, 9, 10 et 11 de notre Constitution afin de bien connaître les règlements concernant les cotisations.

Fraternellement à vous,
SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Sec.

DIRECTORY OF BRANCHES AND SECRETARIES.

Indicateur des Succursales et Secrétaires.

No. and Location. No. et Siège.	Recording Secretary. Secrétaire Archiviste.	Financial Secretary. Secrétaire Financier.	Meetings. Réunions.	No. and Location. No. et Siège.	Recording Secretary. Secrétaire Archiviste.	Financial Secretary. Secrétaire Financier.	Meetings. Réunions.
1 Windsor, Ont.	P. M. Keogh, Box 155.	S. Gignac, Box 155.	Thurs 1	112 Merrickville, Ont.	E. W. L. Payton	J. A. McCabe	Thurs 1
2 St Thomas, Ont.	George Duffy, Box 1059	Michael Dunn, Box 1059	Wed 2	113 Waterloo, Que.	Dothea Girard	J. A. Jacques	Tues 4
3 Amherstburg, Ont.	Joseph I. Bertrand	Thos Tomlinson	Friday 2	114 Niagara, Ont.	J. J. Hoxley, Box 75	John McGinn	Wed 2
4 London, Ont.	P. F. Boyle, 201 Sydenham st.	M. O'Meara, P. O. Dept.	Thurs 3	115 Chesham, Ont.	George Lyles	Wm Mayer	Thurs 3
5 Brantford, Ont.	W. B. Schuler, Box 619	Wm Comerford Box 116.	Mon 3	116 Fergus, Ont.	E. J. Downey, Box 31	Wm Fitzpatrick	Tues 3
6 Strathroy, Ont.	J. B. McCabe	James Healey	Mon 2	117 Joliette, Que.	A. Charland, Box 125	Alfred L. Marsolais	Mon 2
7 Sarnia, Ont.	M. Sullivan	Daniel McCart	Mon 3	118 Sherbrooke, Que.	J. L. Mathieu	Z. P. Cormier	Wed 2
8 Chatham, Ont.	W. J. McEneaney, Box 394	Jos. L. Thibodeau	Tues 3	119 Welland, Ont.	Charles A. Smith	A. Valencourt	Mon 1
9 Kingston, Ont.	M. P. Nolan	Wm Purhill, 14 Charles st.	Wed 2	120 Port Colborne, Ont.	Timothy Ryan	Thomas Lannan	Mon 1
10 St Catharines, Ont.	M. Sullivan	Jas. E. Lawrence	Thurs 1	121 Sudbury, Ont.	L. J. Jodouin	M. J. Powell	Tues 2
11 Dundas, Ont.	James P. Traut	John Kerwin	Tues 2	122 Sandwich, Ont.	Pierre C. Cadarette	Charles F. Pequegnot	Tues 2
12 Berlin, Ont.	Leo J. Klefer, Box 397	Joseph Fuhrmann	Mon 3	123 Dunnville, Ont.	James Cooley, Box 28	J. Barry, Box 28	Thurs 2
13 Stratford, Ont.	E. J. Kneill	M. J. Dillon	Wed 3	124 Biddulph, Ont.	P. O'Shea, Granton, Ont.	James Kelly, Lucan, Ont.	Friday 3
14 Galt, Ont.	Thos Barrett, Box 81	Wm Houseman	Mon 2	125 Dissolved			
15 Toronto, Ont.	C. N. Ryan, 339 Yonge st.	A. S. Gormally, 328 Welling	Mon 3	126 Calgary, N. W. T.	Thomas O'Brien	A. P. Godin	Tues 7
16 Prescott, Ont.	Wm J. Bruder, Box 251	A. B. Macdonald, Inland	Wed 2	127 Dissolved			
17 Paris, Ont.	Wm Lavoie, Lock Box 113	Frank Fry	Tues 3	128 Parkhill, Ont.	James Phelan	James Phelan	Thurs 7
18 Niagara Falls, Ont.	Wm Burke	Louis Drago	Tues 3	129 Granby, Que.	P. A. Leclerc	L. A. Leclerc	Thurs 2
19 Ingersoll, Ont.	J. P. O'Neill	E. H. Henderson	Mon 2	130 Bathurst, N. B.	Wm J. LaPlante	Joseph J. Meahan	Tues 2
20 Maidstone, Ont.	Charles T. McCloskey	Wm Cole, Oldcastle, Ont.	Sat 2	131 North Sydney, N. S.	W. R. Tobin	James Desmond	Wed 2
21 St Clements, Ont.	Joseph F. Stumpf	John G. Weber	Wed 2	132 Halifax, N. S.	M. McEwen, Box 51	D. F. O'Brien, 25 Lucknow st	Tues 2
22 Wallaceburg, Ont.	A. J. O'Flynn	Thomas O'Donnell	Thurs 2	133 St John, N. B.	E. O'Rourke, Carleton, N. B.	Jas Butler, Carleton, N. B.	Wed 1
23 Sarnia, Ont.	John F. Daly	Michael Jordan	Mon 2	134 St John, N. B.	M. D'Sweeney, Box 70	Thos C. Cox, 80 Spring st	Tues 1
24 Thorold, Ont.	Joseph Battle	Archibald McKeague	Mon 2	135 St Hyacinthe, Que.	H. A. Beauregard	Chas M. Lapierre	Wed 2
25 Cayuga, Ont.	Geo. L. Goddow	William Sennet	Mon 2	136 Dissolved			
26 Montreal, Que.	J. J. Costigan, 325 St Urban	G. A. Gaddois, 444 St Charles	Mon 3	137 Dissolved			
27 Petrolia, Ont.	C. McManus	T. Gallivan	Tues 2	138 Dissolved			
28 Ottawa, Ont.	Thos McGrail, 436 Bay st	S. E. O'Brien, 319 Waverley st	Wed 2	139 Dissolved			
29 Ottawa, Ont.	L. Laframboise, 1136 de Com	A. H. Belliveau, Marine Dr.	Friday 2	140 Montreal, Que.	C. Perreault, 241 Visitation	N. Lavreux, 1162 Ontario st	Tues 2
30 Peterborough, Ont.	M. H. Quinlan, Box 388	Wm J. Devlin, Box 116	Tues 3	141 Chateaufort, Que.	A. Archambault	J. J. Turcotte	Thurs 1
31 Guelph, Ont.	Jas Kennedy, Box 500	Geo Urquhart, Box 326	Mon 3	142 Montreal, Que.	Jos Loxton, 4681, Royal ave	J. Desrosiers, 174 St Elizabeth	Wed 3
32 Wingham, Ont.	M. Corrigan, Lucknow, Ont.	J. McCarthy, Lucknow, Ont.	Tues 3	143 Montreal, Que.	Henri Kneiler, Box 292	J. Desrosiers, 392 Sanguinet	Wed 2
33 Morrisburg, Ont.	J. P. Gormely	Edward Duffy	Tues 2	144 Toronto, Ont.	John R. Lee, 33 Howard st	J. T. O'Loane, 51 Howard st	Mon 3
34 Almonte, Ont.	Jos O'Donohue	Bernard Magher	Tues 2	145 Toronto, Ont.	W. T. Kertahan, 57 Midland	H. F. McIntosh, 115 Hazel	Tues 2
35 Derich, Ont.	Joseph Kidd	James J. Doyle	Mon 1	146 Drummondville, Que.	A. Latontaine	D. Bergeron	Mon 2
36 Port Lambton, Ont.	Jas O'Leary	F. J. O'Leary	Thurs 1	147 Portage du Fort, Q.	J. F. Gaudry	J. S. Sauve	Wed 3
37 Hamilton, Ont.	W. J. Ryan, 116 King st w.	A. Bourque, 80 Smith ave.	Thurs 2	148 Calumet Island, Que.	W. McVeigh, Bryson, Que.	C. Barsalou, Bryson, Que.	Thurs 2
38 Cornwall, Ont.	Patrick McCabe, Box 211	Edw O'Callaghan, Box 211	Wed 2	149 Lasalle, Ont.	W. McNamara, Hawtreys, Ont.	J. Armstrong, Hawtreys, Ont.	Thurs 2
39 Neustadt, Ont.	Jacob J. Weichert	Markus Karl	Wed 3	150 Withdrawn			
40 New Hamburg, Ont.	J. F. Rau	Joseph Fuhler	Wed 3	151 Brechin, Ont.	Wm J. Barker	John Malone	Friday 2
41 Montreal, Que.	J. J. Jones, 512 St Antoine st	H. Thompson, 531 Richardson	Wed 3	152 W. H. B. B. B.	James Long	Wm B. O'Connor	Tues 2
42 Woodstock, Ont.	Rev M. J. Brady	J. E. Thompson	Wed 3	153 Midland, Ont.	James L. Kelman	E. O'Donohue	Friday 2
43 Brockville, Ont.	J. T. Noonan	James H. Kelly	Tues 7	154 Eganville, Ont.	D. J. Ryan	P. J. Queally	Friday 2
44 Arnprior, Ont.	E. C. Armand	E. C. Armand	Mon 2	155 Dissolved			
45 Fenelonville, Ont.	John Dugal	Victor Robinet	Tues 3	156 Dissolved			
46 Walkerton, Ont.	John O'Malley	John Wingfield	Thurs 2	157 Fletcher, Ont.	P. G. Murphy	Michael Gleason	Thurs 3
47 Arthur, Ont.	J. D. Callaghan, Box 43	Wm McCarrill	Thurs 2	158 St Vincent de Paul, Q.	G. B. Lamarche	Joseph Demers	Mon 2
48 New Germany, Ont.	L. Spitzig	L. Spitzig	Mon 2	159 Ottawa, Ont.	M. J. Mabou, 115 Nicholas st	J. A. Chisholm, 337 Dalhousie	Mon 3
49 Toronto, Ont.	W. J. Smith, 169 Crawford st	B. J. Cronan, 381 Adelaide st	Friday 3	160 Halifax, N. S.	Jas Bellows, 30 Artz Lane	M. Rooney, 175 Gillingham st	Tues 3
50 Montreal, Que.	W. J. Doyle, 254 St Martin st	Fra McCabe, Box 1007	Wed 2	161 Carleton Place, Ont.	Lewis L. Kramer	David Schwan	Tues 2
51 Barrie, Ont.	Patrick Moran	T. F. O'Meara, Box 242	Mon 3	162 Moncton, N. B.	Daniel J. Leger	H. H. Melanson	Thurs 2
52 Winnipeg, Man.	H. A. Russell, 229 Main st.	D. F. Allman, Colony st.	Wed 2	163 Winnipeg, Man.	J. Markinski, 181 Austin st	J. E. Manning, 294 Fort st	Tues 2
53 Mount Forest, Ont.	William Dugan	M. Donnelly	Thurs 2	164 Nicolet, Que.	J. E. Belcourt	A. O. Cloutier	Mon 2
54 Montreal, Que.	F. D. Daly, 118 N. Dame st	Jas Weir, 184 Craig st.	Wed 2	165 Cardinal, Ont.	P. W. Lacey	Patrick Lacey	Tues 2
55 St Agatha, Ont.	John Noll, Petersburg, Ont.	John Reiber	Sat 3	166 Rock Island, Que.	J. Est. Pierre, Derby Lane	Charles Z. Gilmore	Mon 3
56 Hamilton, Ont.	M. T. Fitzpatrick, 161 Mar	J. J. Burns, 22 Wilson st.	Wed 2	167 Dorchester, N. B.	L. H. Chambers	A. A. Allain	Wed 2
57 Orillia, Ont.	A. Birchard, Box 51, (Ket st	Joseph Thomson	Wed 2	168 Amherst, N. S.	A. J. Gorman	Michael J. Walsh	Mon 2
58 Ottawa, Ont.	W. A. Bedard, Wellington Mkt	C. Castonguay, 37 & 39 So	Tues 2	169 Shediac, N. B.	F. J. Robidoux	J. V. Courque	Tues 2
59 Ottawa, Ont.	E. E. Lemieux, Dep Militia	L. G. Roy, Dept Militia	Friday 3	170 Elgin, Ont.	M. L. Jordan	John R. Jordan	Friday 3
60 Dublin, Ont.	James Jordan	George Howard	Wed 2	171 St Laurent, Que.	Wm John Sean, Box 1	H. E. Trudeau	Mon 3
61 Merriton, Ont.	John H. G. Horey	R. G. Smith	Thurs 2	172 Collingwood, Ont.	Michael Byrne	Michael P. Hyrnes	Thurs 3
62 Canard River, Ont.	Oliver Reame	Jacques Montforton	Sat 5	173 Belle River, Ont.		Felix Sauve	Thurs 2
63 St Marys, Ont.	James Kennedy	Patrick McFadden	Thurs 3	174 Dissolved			
64 North Bay, Ont.	H. C. Varin	D. J. McKown	Mon 2	175 Kinkora, Ont.	John Kelly	Patrick J. Finnegan	Mon 2
65 Ayrton, Ont.	T. Moran	John Diebolt	Mon 2	176 Ottawa, Ont.	A. R. Parent, 240 Church st.	A. Charbonneau, 421 St Pa	Wed 3
66 Mattawa, Ont.	John McMeekin	B. J. Gilligan	Wed 3	177 Newcastle, N. B.	H. A. Quilty, Bridge, N. B.	W. P. Harriman	Tues 2
67 Pembroke, Ont.	F. E. Goodwin	Michael Howe	Wed 3	178 Memramcook, N. B.	P. S. La Blanc, College	F. Gaudet, St Joseph, N. B.	Sat 2
68 Hull, Que.	L. Goulet, 73 Britannia st	Nelson Clairoux, 6 Kent st.	Tues 2	179 Fox Creek, N. B.	S. A. LeBlanc	T. G. T. LeBlanc	Wed 2
69 Deseronto, Ont.	John J. Lobsinger	Geo Lobsinger	Sat 1	180 Yarmouth, N. S.	Daniel T. Ashe, Box 8	John R. Saulnier, Box 24	Thurs 2
70 Millam, Ont.	And. Gissler	John F. Schuett	Thurs 3	181 Hespeler, Ont.	John Flynn, Box 9	John D. Daudene	Tues 2
71 Trenton, Ont.	M. T. Greaney, Box 202	Phil J. Julien	Wed 2	182 Wolfe Island, Ont.		Thomas Hogan	
72 Formosa, Ont.	Joseph J. Fedy	B. Beingsauer	Friday 2	183 Snyder, Ont.	Peter Willick	J. Schneider, Netherby, Ont.	Thurs 3
73 Dissolved				184 Fairville, N. B.	H. Downing, Milford, N. B.		Thurs 3
74 Montreal, Que.	James Taylor, P. O.	M. Murphy, 77 Forster st.	Wed 2	185 Caraquet, N. B.	P. E. Paulin	Seraphin Legare	Friday 2
75 Penetanguishene, O. P.	T. McDonald	W. T. Fitzpatrick	Thurs 3	186 Victoriaville, Que.	H. H. Dunn	A. Marchand	Mon 3
76 Belleville, Ont.	Edward McG. y, Box 501	Wm Paterson	Tues 2	187 Sturgeon Falls, Ont.	Joseph Girard	J. F. Prieur	Tues 2
77 Lindsay, Ont.	J. J. McDonald, Box 224	J. O. Reilly, 66 St Paul st.	Tues 3	188 Carleton Place, Ont.	D. J. Sullivan, Box 92	John R. Galvin	Wed 1
78 Oshawa, Ont.	C. F. Rineard	Thomas McKittrick	Sat Mon	189 Sydney, C. B. N. S.	M. J. McDonald	Augustus Cook	Tues 1
79 Cananogue, Ont.	John J. Murphy, Box 246	John Nalon, Box 92	Wed 2	190 Montreal, Que.	A. Beaulieu, 1519 N. Dame st	B. Charbonneau, 1519 N. Dame	Friday 2
80 Canby, Ont.	Vital Campbell	L. F. Lemire	Tues 2	191 Montreal, Que.	A. A. Daigle, 1214 N. Dame	A. Demers, 279 Notre Dame	Thurs 3
81 Smith's Falls, Ont.	P. Delaney, Box 179	Daniel Halpin	Tues 3	192 Antigonish, N. S.	J. J. McPherson	A. F. McIntosh	Friday 1
82 Kingsbridge, Ont.	M. Whitty, Kintail, Ont.	193 St Jean Baptiste, N. B.	Friday 2	193 St Jean Baptiste, N. B.	Joseph Baril	Jos B. Dupas	Sat 2
83 Montreal, Que.	T. Delisle, 504 Amherst st	H. Howison, 372 Amherst st	Tues 3	194 Valcourt, Que.	Laurent Racicot	Louis Allard	Wed 2
84 Withdrawn				195 Petit Rocher, N. B.	J. A. Boudreau	J. A. Doucet	Friday 2
85 Toronto, Ont.	T. B. Winterberry, 113 Bond	B. J. Doyle, 77 Anne st.	Tues 3	196 Montreal, Que.	S. Letourneau, 25 St Gabriel	T. M. Rouhier, 40 Fort at	Wed 2
86 Deseronto, Ont.	Jos A. Coutu	James Gaulin	Wed 2	197 Trout Creek, Ont.	Robert Lynett	Michael Corkery	Friday 2
87 Montreal, Que.	J. E. Dupont, 151a St Dom	J. A. Demiger, 75 Roy st	Wed 2	198 Marlbank, Ont.	Mathew Wringe	Edward Allen	Wed 3
88 Orangeville, Ont.	M. J. Bench	P. J. Bench	Mon 3	199 Edmonton, N. W. T.	M. A. McCormick	J. H. Garripy	Wed 3
89 Perth, Ont.	John H. Kehoe	T. H. McGillivray	Wed 3	200 Toronto, Ont.	John Symonds, 11 Regent st	Edwin Stubbs, 58 Sydenham	Wed 3
90 Picton, Ont.	J. B. Davis	M. Goodwin	Tues 2	201 Alexandria, N. B.	Ray D. D. McMillan	James McPhie	Monday 3
91 Alliston, Ont.	J. C. Hart	Rev H. J. Gilroy	Tues 2	202 Chatham, N. B.	James P. Waddleton	John P. Bullock	(N. S.) Tues 3
92 Teeswater, Ont.	Louis Battle	Hugh Campbell	Wed 2	203 Canso, N. S.	A. Courteen	R. Davis, Hazel Hill, Canso	Wed 2
93 Renfrew, Ont.	P. J. O'Dea	Wm Egan	Sat 2	204 Parrboro, N. S.	Chas A. E. Kelly	Wm Mahoney	Mon 3
94 Ottawa, Ont.	M. J. O'Farrell, 167 Murray st	A. Hunter, 159 Church st.	Mon 2	205 Stoto, Ont.	Wm J. O'Brien	Wm Brown	Tues 2
95 Lachine, Que.	L. Forest	Raoul Carignan	Friday 3	206 West Pubnico, N. S.	A. J. Barton, Pubnico Har.	A. E. Carland, Pubnico Har.	Thurs 2
96 L'Assomption, Que.	J. A. Demers, Box 88	S. Marmet, Cote du Passage	Wed 4	207 Montreal, Que.	A. Larochelle, 630 N. Dame st	L. A. Lamarre, 1532 St Cath	Tues 2
97 Quebec, Que.	J. E. Philibert, 239 Prince Ed	V. Dupuis, 80 Des Fosses st.	Wed 3	208 Dartmouth, N. S.	John Green, Box 101	Jas M. O'Regan	Thurs 3
98 Campbellford, Ont.	P. J. Anderson	John Brady	Mon 3	209 Louisville, Que.	L. P. Dallaire	L. L. Dube	Mon 3
99 Westport, Ont.	M. P. Adams	Peter Murphy	Wed 3	210 Grand Falls, N. B.	Rev M. A. Keefe	Jas F. McCusky	Wed 2
100 Baden, Ont.	Fred Schi	Jacob J. Forler	Wed 3	211 Rat Portage, Ont.	T. F. Rozau		Mon 3
101 Three Rivers, Que.	John O. Desilets	C. Z. Duplessis	Friday 2	212 Owen Sound, Ont.	Eugene Loos	D. J. McClarty	Mon 3
102 Richmond, Que.	C. O. St Jean	C. Girard, Richmond Sta	Friday 1	213 St Ours, Que.	P. Robillard	Phil Lariviere	Sat 3
103 Dissolved				214 Alberton, P. E. I.	J. P. Cunningham	R. H. Reid	Thurs 1
104 Waterloo, Ont.	John Bierschbach, Box 151	Aug Heyman	Tues 3	215 Summerside, P. E. I.	John T. McNally	J. B. Strong	Tues 1
105 London, Ont.	Jas Rockwood, 699 York st.	W. J. Smith, 193 Clarence st.	Thurs 3	216 Charlottetown, P. E. I.	Henry Fitzgerald	S. B. Paoli	Tues 1
106 Barry Sound, Ont.	R. I. Clarkson	Thomas Yates	Sat 3	217 L'Assomption, Que.	J. E. Faribault	J. E. Duhamel	Thurs 2
107 Cobourg, Ont.	James J. Swift	John Kaiser	Thurs 2	218 Sorel, Que.	J. T. Hurteau	J. J. T. Roberge, Box 07	Tues 2
108 Quebec, Que.	Patrick E. Lane, 4 D'Ar	M. Thomas, 28 Oliver st.	Wed 2	219 Dissolved			
109 Withdrawn				220 Dissolved			
110 Quebec, Que.	N. Lachance Jr, 132 Massue	O. Falardeau, 41 Demers st.	Tues 2	221 Woodville, Ont.	M. McHugh	John Mullins	Wed 2
111 Toronto, Ont.	J. W. Mallon, 316 Lansdowne ave	V. P. Rayle, 273 Lansdowne ave	Thurs 3	222 Gravenhurst, Ont.	W. J. Moore, Box 109	J. Dodd, West Gravenhurst	Sat 2

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231 Simcoe, Ont.	J. C. O'Neil		Mon. 2
232 Montreal, Que.	W. E. McCallroy, 491 St. H.	A. C. Coleman, 157 Park av.	
233 Plantagenet, Ont.	J. B. Fung	J. G. Carrière	Tues. 2
234 Hamilton, Ont.	P. J. McGowan, 73 Strachan	F. O'Dowd, 137 Simcoe st. e	Tues. 3
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236 Champlain, Que.	J. O. C. Dastier	Louis Gagnon, Ville, Ont.	Sat. 4
237 Buctouche, N.B.	Joseph A. Bourque	Jude J. LeBlanc	Tues. 2
238 Quebec, Que.	J. E. R. 81 85 St. John st.	A. Dunn, 2 Cliffview Place	Wed. 2
239 Stony Point, Ont.	G. G. Gagnier, Chevalier Ont.	E. C. Janisse, Chevalier, Ont.	Thurs. 2
240 St. H. de Montreal, Q.	G. Paquette 145 Dalmeida	E. E. Mailbox, 61 St. Philip	Friday 2
241 Pakenham, Ont.	J. H. Burke	Alexandre Lesage	Thurs. 2
242 Fredericton, N.B.	Hugh G. Neale	Peter Farrell	Wed. 3
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246 Cap St. Louis, Que.	J. J. A. Gauduche	Joseph Boissinotte	Friday 3
247 Fraserville, Que.	J. Leclerc, Rivière du Loup	A. Leclerc, Rivière du Loup	Friday 3
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249 Joggins Mines, N.S.	Peter Murphy	John Logue	Thurs. 3
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251 Bathurst, N.W.T.	Wilfrid Latour	T. Lucy	Wed. 2
252 Prince Albert, N.W.T.	Henry L. Ingram	J. A. Vachon	Wed. 2
253 Manitowick, Que.	Edmond Josselin	T. Lacourcière	Thurs. 3
254 Kensington, P.E.I.	M. A. Leary, Burlington, It.	John T. Mullin	Thurs. 3
255 Richibucto, N.B.	Gos. McInerney	Arthur E. O'Leary	Tues. 2
256 Somerset, Man.	J. A. Lacerte, St. Leon, Man.	J. A. Dosses	
257 Carleton Place, Ont.	E. A. McAuley	Ferd Kelly	Mon. 2
258 L'Orignal, Ont.	H. R. Poulin	A. J. Landry, Anna, Ont.	Thurs. 3
259 Courville, Ont.	John Casin	Rev. Jas. G. Muggan, Cor	Tues. 2
260 Low's Falls, N.S.	W. H. Amiro	Sylvain Amiro	Mon. 2
261 Souris East, P.E.I.	R. F. Macdonald	Allan L. Macdonald	Wed. 2
262 Lethbridge, N.W.T.	John Keeney	G. Starnes	Tues. 2
263 St. Ferdinand, Que.	N. A. Cloutier	Dr. L. J. O'Sirois	Wed. 2
264 Barabois, N.B.	D. H. Cormier, St. J. de N.	Eugene Terrio	Mon. 2
265 Huntingdon, Que.	Antoine Pratte	John X. Galipeau	Friday 3
266 Brewer's Mill, Ont.	P. W. Doars	M. Shortall, Washburn, Ont.	Mon. 2
267 Truro, N.S.	D. A. McDonald	Rev. Father Kinsella	Mon. 2
268 Thuro, Que.	J. L. Michaud	Thomas O'Leary	Wed. 2
269 Yamachiche, Que.	L. A. Lord	Nap. Pellerin	Sat. 3
270 St. Alexandre, Que.	C. P. A. Beaulieu, Rivier, N.S.	Eugene Guay	Tues. 2
271 Meteghan, N.S.	E. M. Belliveau, Meteghan	M. E. Sheehan, Station, P.E.I.	Sat. 2
272 Wellington, P.E.I.	F. T. Arsenault, Wellington	J. F. Arsenault, Wellington	Wed. 3
273 Pigeon Lake, Man.	A. E. Philion, (Station, P.E.I.)	Rev. John Simmet	Tues. 3
274 Sheenboro, Que.	George Hayes	George Hayes	
275 Georgetown, P.E.I.	T. W. Macdonald, (Point, N.B.)	John H. Byrne	Tues. 2
276 Tracadie, N.B.	J. A. Robitaille, Ferguson's Wm G. Ferguson		Sat. 2
277 Brandon, Man.	Rev. W. J. Jubinville, Box 202 Philip Purcell		Sat. 2

NOTE.—(1) Alternate—Alternativement; (2) First and Third—Premier et Troisième; (3) Second and Fourth—Deuxième et Quatrième; (4) First and Second—Premier et Deuxième; (5) First and Fourth—Premier et Quatrième; (6) First Second and Fourth—Premier, Deuxième et Quatrième; (7) Every Second—Chaque deuxième.

Faute d'espace pour donner en Français les jours de réunions, nous donnons ci-après la traduction Française du mot Anglais pour chaque jour de la semaine: Monday, Lundi; Tuesday, Mardi; Wednesday, Mercredi; Thursday, Jeudi; Friday, Vendredi; Saturday, Samedi.

Address and Presentation to Rev. Father McCabe.

On Tuesday evening, the 19th Jan., the parishioners of St. Patrick's parish, Raleigh, poured in from every corner of the parish, to bid farewell to their beloved pastor, Rev. Father McCabe, who has recently been appointed to the charge of the parish of Seaford.

As the number assembled was too large to be accommodated at the parochial residence, the school was resorted to, and, when the meeting was called to order, the building was packed to the doors. Mr. S. Wellwood, who acted as chairman, made a very appropriate address, explaining the reason of their coming together—to bid their last farewell to the Rev. Father McCabe, and also to show their appreciation of his services in some other way than in mere words.

He next called upon Mr. M. Hogan, who came forward and read an address from the parishioners, after which Mr. M. Gleeson presented Father McCabe with a well filled purse.

The following address was also read by Bro. P. G. Marohy on behalf of the members of Branch 157, C. M. B. A.:

Rev. and Dear Father—The members of Branch 157, having learned that you are about to remove from St. Patrick's parish, desire to take this opportunity of expressing their high appreciation of the great interest you have taken in the branch. While the society must

deeply regret the severance of the ties which have so long given us the benefit of your good work, the members have the consolation of hoping that what is their loss may be your gain, and, while the parting will be painful we will look forward with pleasure to the hearing of your continued advancement and prosperity.

In expressing these good wishes to you, we not only voice the sentiments of Branch 157, but of the whole congregation of St. Patrick's parish, and the high esteem in which you are held by other denominations. Your untiring work has won for you laurels which you have reason to contemplate with pleasure. We beg to be remembered in your prayers, and with the ardent wish that you may be spared many long years of usefulness in your ministry, we now bid you a loving farewell.

P. G. Murphy, Michael Gleeson, R. Salobary, W. Kelly.

When the Rev. Father McCabe arose to reply he was received most cordially. He began by thanking the large audience before him for the effort they made in being present and expressed in an eloquent manner his unworthiness of the praise bestowed upon him. He dwelt for a short time upon the object he had in view while parish priest of Raleigh—that of fostering a kindly feeling among all, not only his own people, but between his own people and their separated brethren. His half hour address was concluded by expressing in most affecting terms the sorrow he felt in severing the bonds of friendship which he had formed during his stay in Raleigh, and reminded his hearers that although it was impossible for him to remain

with them any longer, still they would never be forgotten in his prayers.

The gathering separated after all tendering the Rev. Father heartiest wishes of success in the new field of labor into which he was about to embark.

Rev. Father McMenamin Says Good-Bye to the People of Simcoe.

At the conclusion of Mass on Sunday, Jan. 31st, the following address (together with a purse) was presented to Rev. Father McMenamin by the people of Simcoe on the occasion of his removal to Ridgeway:

Sunday, Jan. 31, 1897.
Rev. and Dear Father—If it were not that all equally rejoice in the consolation of hope for true justice in eternity at times the affairs of this world would mislead us; not with its toys of prosperity perhaps, but with the whip of adversity. Obedience promptly, fully given is the most beautiful thing that walks the earth, and leading us, dear Father, in compliance with the request of His Lordship our beloved Bishop O'Connor, we regret very much your departure, but realize that your lot with us has been no path of roses, yet not a word of complaint or censure fell from your lips.

"The way to bliss lies not on beds of down."
(Quarles)

We not only wish to express our regrets, but also to approach in this manner to hand you, dear Father, this purse as a visible token of our love for a pious and sincere priest of prayer and good example, who has always been a ready and devoted guide in our spiritual affairs during what seems so short a period.

It is but fair to mention that you have materially decreased our debt also.

May the spirit of courage and perseverance and Almighty God's peace and blessing always remain with you in your fields of labor.

"For priests 'tis said are patterns for the rest. The gold of heaven who bear the God im pressed."
(Chaucer.)

Promising that we will always remember you in our poor prayers, and trusting that you will not forget us, and asking your blessing, dear Father, upon ourselves and families, and for the members of the League of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the members of Branch 251 of the C. M. B. A., both of which you established here, we beg leave to subscribe this farewell.

On behalf of the congregation.

J. C. O'Neil,
Cornelius Elliott,
and others.

Initiations in December, 1896.

Initiations du Mois de Dec, 1896

Br.	Initiated.	Members.
254. Quebec, Que.	1	1
32. Wingham, Ont.	1	1
109. Shediac, N.B.	1	1
1. Windsor, Ont.	1	1
30. New Hamburg, Ont.	1	1
81. Deseronto, Ont.	1	1
115. Chesham, Ont.	1	1
211. Pakenham, Ont.	1	1
25. Ottawa, Ont.	1	1
31. Guelph, Ont.	1	1
118. Waterloo, Que.	1	1
192. Antigonish, N.S.	1	1
201. West Pubnico, N.S.	1	1
210. St. H. de Montreal, Que.	1	1
12. Berlin, Ont.	1	1
19. Prescott, Ont.	1	1
22. Wallaceburg, Ont.	1	1
23. Montreal, Que.	1	1
27. Ottawa, Ont.	1	1
47. Arthur, Ont.	1	1
52. Winnipeg, Man.	1	1
51. Montreal, Que.	1	1
53. Hamilton, Ont.	1	1
62. Pembroke, Ont.	1	1
71. Montreal, Que.	1	1
74. Belleville, Ont.	1	1
79. Gananoque, Ont.	1	1
80. Tilbury, Ont.	1	1
83. Montreal, Que.	1	1
95. Levis, Que.	1	1
101. Three Rivers, Que.	1	1
118. Quebec, Que.	1	1
119. Quebec, Que.	1	1
121. Montreal, Que.	1	1
123. Toronto, Ont.	1	1
151. Brachin, Ont.	1	1
150. Ottawa, Ont.	1	1
163. Winnipeg, Man.	1	1
167. Rock Island, Que.	1	1
173. Kinkora, Ont.	1	1
180. Yarmouth, N.S.	1	1
182. Wolfe Island, Ont.	1	1
187. Victoriaville, Que.	1	1
190. Montreal, Que.	1	1
217. Montreal, Que.	1	1
223. Springhill, N.S.	1	1
224. Murray Bay, Que.	1	1
225. Cote St. Paul, Que.	1	1
227. St. Boniface, Man.	1	1
229. Cap St. Ignace, Que.	1	1
231. Prince Albert, N.W.T.	1	1
233. Kensington, P.E.I.	1	1
234. Barabois, N.B.	1	1
235. Huntingdon, Que.	1	1
236. Tracadie, N.B.	1	1
Other Initiations	7	7
Total	104	104

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

Les initiations de la dernière succursale sont des membres fondateurs.

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Les membres sont invités à nous envoyer des nouvelles ou informations dont l'Association pourra bénéficier. Toutes communications sur des sujets d'intérêt pour les membres de l'A. C. B. M., seront reçues avec plaisir, mais toutes lettres anonymes et toutes autres lettres que le correspondant ne pas être dans l'intérêt de l'Association ne seront pas publiées.

Les correspondants voudront bien se rappeler que la copie doit nous parvenir pas plus tard que le 15 du mois, pour être publiée dans le numéro du mois suivant. L'espace étant limité, on voudra bien être concis.

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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 du mois d'août, 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.

Instructions aux Grands Deputes de l'A. C. B. M.

COMMENT INSTITUER UNE SUCCURSALE.

1. Appelez l'Assemblée à l'ordre, et faites lire la prière ordinaire d'ouverture par un prêtre s'il s'en trouve un présent, et si non, récitez la vous-même.
2. Lisez le rapport que vous avez reçu du Grand Secrétaire donnant les noms, etc., des aspirants dont les Certificats Médicaux ont été approuvés, et faites les répondre à leurs noms. Ensuite priez toutes les autres personnes à l'exception des Messieurs du Clergé ou de ceux qui sont déjà membres de l'Association, de se retirer.
3. Disposez la salle, à peu près autant qu'il est possible, suivant le diagramme dans notre Cérémonial.
4. Lisez l'engagement de l'Association aux candidats, et assurez-vous que chacun d'eux réponde, "Je le promets" à la question contenue dans la dernière phrase de cet engagement.
5. Faites signer le livre de rôle par chaque membre, et faites payer à chacun sa première cotisation conformément à la Clause 1 de notre Constitution, aussi les \$3.00 de l'honoraire d'initiation et l'honoraire de 50c. du Médéric Examinateur en Chef, si ces deux derniers items n'ont pas déjà été payés; ensuite présentez à chaque membre un exemplaire de la Constitution.
6. La nomination et l'élection des officiers doivent ensuite avoir lieu.
7. Immédiatement après l'élection, procédez à l'installation des officiers élus et conduisez chaque officier à son siège respectif après qu'il aura pris l'engagement.

6. Puis faites passer la succursale par les formalités d'une assemblée suivant la clause 207, expliquant à fond chacun des ordres du jour à mesure que vous procédez.

Instruisez bien les membres sur l'usage du "maillot," le "Devoir des membres en entrant ou en sortant pendant la séance," la "Manière de procéder au Billetage," ce que signifie le "Des-in" placé au-dessus du fauteuil du Président, et les "Cérémonies d'Ouverture et de Clôture."

A l'ordre du jour No 13, Affaires Nouvelles, faites décider par la Succursale la date et le lieu de ses assemblées régulières, et le montant des contributions mensuelles. Ceci peut se faire au moyen d'une résolution ou d'un règlement en conformité des clauses 156 et 185.

A l'ordre du jour No 15, Remarque pour le bien de l'Association, expliquez à fond la manière d'opérer de l'Association et les devoirs des membres, spécialement des officiers des Succursales. Insistez sur la nécessité de faire diligence en faisant remise au Grand Secrétaire des argents des cotisations ou du Fonds Général, et dans l'envoi des demandes d'admission aussitôt que possible après l'initiation, ayant soin au préalable de les compléter en remplissant les espaces avec les dates requises. Si les Succursales sont négligentes dans l'exécution de leurs devoirs envers le Bureau Central comment peuvent-elles s'attendre à ce que le Grand Secrétaire conduise les affaires avec cette efficacité qui devrait caractériser l'A. C. B. M. du Canada.

7. Faites tirer un mandat sur le Trésorier de la Succursale pour \$25 et envoyez ce mandat et la somme, les demandes d'admission, votre rapport et votre compte de dépenses, au Grand Secrétaire sans délai.

Les dépenses nécessaires des Grands Députés, lorsqu'ils instituent des Succursales, sont payées par le Grand Conseil.

Après que la Succursale aura été instituée et que le Grand Secrétaire aura reçu une liste des officiers et membres fondateurs, il préparera la charte de la Succursale et il l'envoiera au Secrétaire-Archiviste.

La prospérité d'une Succursale dépend en grande mesure de ceux qui en sont les premiers officiers, et de la manière dont ils remplissent leurs devoirs.

UNE BELLE CONFERENCE.

La jolie salle de la succursale No. 169, de Shédiac N. B., était bien remplie, vendredi soir, le 15 Janvier dernier, à l'occasion de la première d'une série de conférences que cette succursale inaugurerait ce soir-là. Outre le conférencier, on remarquait, sur l'estrade, les RR. PP. Le Blanc, Burgeois, et O'Neill, de la faculté du collège St. Joseph, et les RR. MM. Belliveau, curé de Grande Digue, et Dufour, vicaire à Shédiac. M. le docteur Baillivan, qui présidait l'assemblée, lança en quelques mots le but que se proposait la succursale par cette série de conférences et présenta le savant conférencier à l'auditoire. Nous empruntons du "Moniteur Acadien" le compte-rendu de cette conférence.

L'hon. sénateur Poirier fut vivement acclamé en se levant pour prendre la parole. Il rappela à l'auditoire que ce n'était pas un discours qu'il allait faire, mais une causerie sur deux épisodes intéressants de l'histoire de notre pays. Sa causerie se divisa en deux parties: la première sera consacrée à la relation d'une expédition extraordinaire et par les contretemps qui l'entravèrent et par le courage et la valeur des braves qui en faisaient partie.

La grande forteresse de Louisbourg tomba pour la première fois aux mains des Anglais, en 1745. Cette catastrophe inattendue causa en France une douloureuse consternation. On résolut

de venger immédiatement cet échec. A cette fin, une grande flotte fut mise en ligne et envoyée, sous les ordres du duc d'Anville, à Halifax, pour, de là, se concerter avec les milices du Canada et tomber ensemble sur Port Royal, qu'occupaient les Anglais. D'effroyables tempêtes brisèrent la flotte française en éclats, et l'entreprise contre Port Royal échoua complètement. Il était tard dans la saison, le détachement canadien résolut de prendre ses quartiers d'hiver à Beaubassin, dans les environs de l'endroit où se trouve aujourd'hui Amherst.

Au commencement du mois de Janvier 1717 on apprit qu'une petite troupe anglaise, cinq à six cents soldats de Boston, étaient venus camper à Grand Pré dans le dessein d'y passer l'hiver. Ramezay, qui commandait le détachement, assembla aussitôt son conseil, qui se composait de la fleur de la chevalerie française établie au Canada: Coulon de Villiers, de Beaujeu, de la Corne, de Lussignan, Des Ligneris, de Repentigny, de Loy, de Langy, Courtemanche, etc. Quoiqu'il ne restât qu'environ deux cents hommes en état d'entreprendre la campagne, on résolut à l'unanimité d'aller attaquer les Anglais, et les surprendre, si cela était possible. L'entreprise était folle de témérité. Il y avait vingt chances contre une que pas un homme reviendrait. D'abord ils étaient un contre trois. Ensuite il s'agissait de franchir, en plein hiver et en pleine forêt, en dehors des chemins et des sentiers, sans tentes pour s'abriter la nuit, sans vivres suffisantes pour se nourrir, chassés de raquettes et traînant sur des traîneaux leurs munitions, une distance de plusieurs cents milles.

C'est cette extraordinaire campagne qui a fait le sujet de la première partie de la conférence de M. Poirier.

Les Anglais furent surpris de nuit pendant une aveuglante tempête de neige, une partie fut tuée et le reste fait prisonnier.

Ce fait d'armes ne serait pas croyable, s'il n'était avéré par les témoignages et les documents les plus authentiques. Cela se passait huit ans avant le Grand dérangement.

La seconde partie de la conférence roula sur l'ancienne colonie française de Chipoudy, dont rien ne rappelle aujourd'hui l'établissement primitif, excepté quelques pommiers que le voyageur aperçoit encore, à la base de la montagne, sur le versant est, un peu plus bas que le Cap Demoiselle, dont l'euphonisme anglais a fait, Cape Mussel ou Mussel Cape. L'immense marais s'étendant depuis la montagne jusqu'à l'autre côté du village d'Albert, les cours d'eau, les vallées, les plaines si fertiles et si belles, les forêts, tout appartient aujourd'hui aux ravisseurs. E: pourtant cette riche contrée après avoir été d'abord découverte et marquée par les Français, fut établie par les Acadiens, le moulinier Thibodeau, qui vint de Port Royal en 1690, avec sa famille.

Cet établissement prit en quelques années un développement extraordinaire, et ne tarda pas à rivaliser, en richesse et en bien-être, avec le Bassin des Mines lui-même. Comme ils se trouvaient tout à fait sur le territoire français, et qu'ils ne s'étaient jamais immiscés aux guerres de la péninsule, ses habitants se croyaient à l'abri des déprédations anglaises. Hélas! ils furent traités comme leurs frères de l'autre côté de la Baie; leurs biens leur furent ravés et eux-mêmes furent jetés en exil.

Mais ils vendirent cher leur vie et leurs biens. Un détachement anglais

fut surpris brûlant leur église pour se distraire; peu d'entre eux et restèrent pour aller raconter l'aventure à leurs amis du Merry England. Tous ceux qui ne purent résister à se sauver furent massacrés sur place.

C'est là que nous trouvons Nos Bros sard, ce légendaire chasseur d'habits rouges. Fou de désespoir, il se mit à faire la chasse aux Bostonnais comme un autre fait la chasse aux orignaux.

A chaque soldat anglais qu'il abattait, il faisait une entaille, une coche, sur la crosse de son fusil. On en trouva vingt huit à sa mort.

Au milieu de la causerie, M. J. Malenfant chanta deux chansons qui furent fort goûtées et applaudies. Sur proposition de M. M. Robitoux et Bourque, des remerciements furent votés par l'assemblée et transmis à l'éloquent conférencier par le président. Les RR. MM. O'Neill, Bourgeois et Belliveau adressèrent de chaleureuses félicitations à l'hon. M. Poirier, et la foule se dispersa aux sons de l'Ave Maria Stella exécutée par l'orchestre qui avait bien voulu rehausser cette fête littéraire de son concours.

Tous les assistants étaient enchantés de la soirée, et de l'instructive conférence qu'ils avaient savourée.

Le beau succès qui a couronné la soirée de vendredi est d'un bon augure pour l'entreprise de la succursale No 169 et nous croyons que les succursales voisines feraient acte de sagesse en imitant celle de Shédiac. Ces conférences sont de nature à instruire nos populations et à leur donner le goût de l'étude et de la réflexion.

La seconde conférence de la série aura lieu vers la mi-février, et nous croyons savoir que M. le curé Belliveau, de Grand Digue, en fera les frais. C'est dire qu'on nous réserve une belle fête intellectuelle.

Acte de Bienfaisance.

La succursale No 117, de Joliette, P. Q., a manifesté, dernièrement, d'une manière éclatante et à l'admiration générale des citoyens de la localité, les marques de Bienfaisance et de charité, dont ses membres sont imbus, en assistant en corps au Bazar des Révérendes Soeurs de la Providence, organisé au profit des orphelins de l'endroit.

Un superbe souper fut ordonné au nom de la succursale, lequel fut présidé par le Rév. P. Beaudry, aïeul spirituel, ayant à ses côtés, le dévoué président actuel frère J. A. Renaud ainsi que tous les autres officiers et membres qui s'étaient fait un devoir de coopérer au soutien de ces pauvres petits enfants, et autres nécessités.

La succursale a prouvé par là, le bon esprit que l'association prône avec raison, savoir: Aider les orphelins, les veuves et les frères dans le besoin.

COMMUNIQUÉ.

Installation d'Officiers.

La cérémonie de l'installation des officiers de la succursale No. 142, de Montréal, P. Q., a été fort brillante. La salle de la succursale était décorée avec profusion. Tous les membres, parés de leurs habits de gala et de leurs insignes, étaient présents. Frère J. Girard, président sortant de charge, occupait le fauteuil. Sur des sièges réservés on remarquait plusieurs représentants des succursales Nos. 26, 50 et 83, dont la présence a rehaussé

de beaucoup l'éclat de la démonstration.

L'installation fut faite par le Grand Député Boucher, assisté des Députés Daudelin et Girard. Des discours furent ensuite prononcés par les officiers sortant de charge, puis les Grands Députés Taussey, Boucher, Daudelin, O'Neill et autres, adressèrent la parole. Sur invitation du Frère Girard, les membres se rendirent à sa résidence où un délicieux goûter les attendait. Madame Girard et l'épouse de frère A. B. Potvin, chancelier sortant, firent les honneurs de la maison avec beaucoup d'amabilité. Les cantos de l'hon. Grand Président, du Grand Conseil et de ses officiers, des succursales soeurs et des dames furent bien accueillis. C'était un véritable foyer de fraternité où n'a cessé de régner la plus franche gaîté jusqu'à une heure prolongée.

Le souvenir de cette belle fête vivra longtemps dans la mémoire des membres de la succursale No 142.

JOSEPH LOZEAU.

Sec. Arch.

L'installation des officiers de la succursale No. 87 a eu lieu le 20 Janvier, au milieu d'un grand concours des membres. L'assemblée fut présidée par frère Arthur Bourdon. A ses côtés se trouvaient les Grands Députés Costigan, Boucher, Taussey et Girard. Ces derniers adressèrent la parole après les cérémonies de l'installation. Leurs discours furent très applaudis. Le nouveau président, frère Joseph Beland, succéda aux Députés et au cours d'une brillante improvisation il fit un chaleureux appel aux membres, les engageant à faire tous les efforts possibles pour augmenter leur nombre pendant l'année courante.

Des remerciements furent votés aux Grands Députés, ainsi que des résolutions de condoléances à la famille de feu frère Elie Marail, qui était membre de la succursale. Et l'assemblée se dispersa, chacun emportant un bon souvenir de cette séance d'installation, et se promettant bien de répondre par des actes à l'appel du président.

Lettres de Remerciements

Mr. W. Schuler, en ville.

Cher Monsieur—Veuillez avoir l'obligeance d'envoyer la lettre ci jointe au Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada, et vous obligerez.

MADE R. PHILLIPS

Brantford, 14 Janvier, 1897

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

Chers Messieurs—J'ai reçu de Mr. W. Schuler, secrétaire de la succursale No 5, de l'A. C. B. M. à Brantford, un chèque de \$2,000 en plein paiement du montant de la police émise à feu mon mari, Michael Phillips, et je désire vous exprimer mon appréciation de la manière courtoise et généreuse avec laquelle j'ai été traitée dans le règlement de cette réclamation. Je n'ai été exposée à aucun trouble ou aucune dépense inutile en complétant la preuve de décès. Je vous en remercie cordialement et j'aurai toujours un bon mot à l'adresse du Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle. Je souhaite à votre Conseil tout le succès possible à l'avenir.

Je demeure sincèrement

MADE. ROSE PHILLIPS,

Mt. Pleasant Road,
Brantford, Ont.

Montréal, 19 Janvier, 1897
 Samuel H. Brown, Sec.
 Grand Secrétaire, A. C. B. M.,
 London, Ont.

Cher Monsieur: J'ai reçu l'admission
 reçu la traite de 2000, en règlement
 de la réclamation en vertu de la police
 sur la vie de Frère L. W. Kennedy,
 émise par notre association, et je l'ai
 remise à sa veuve Margaret O'Connor
 Kennedy, comme en font foi les reçus
 ci joints.

Made Kennedy desirait que je vous
 en accusa réception pour elle, et qu'en
 même temps je vous remercie ainsi
 que notre belle Association, en son
 nom et en celui de ses petits enfants,
 pour la promptitude et la courtoisie
 dont on a fait preuve dans le paie-
 ment de cette réclamation.

Fraternellement à vous,
 W. J. McCaffrey,
 Sec. Arch., Suc. No. 232

NOTES.

Le Grand Député W. J. Power, de Hal-
 ifax, N. E., va donner un maillot de
 valeur comme prix à la succursale dans
 la Nouvelle Écosse, le Cap Breton com-
 pris, qui initiera le plus grand nombre de
 membres en 1897. Le rapport des initia-
 tions dans LE CANADIAN décidera de ce
 nombre. Nous espérons que d'autres
 Grands Députés suivront l'exemple donné
 par Frère Power.

A l'assemblée de l'installation des of-
 ficiers de la Succursale No. 15, Toronto,
 Ont., pour 1897, Frère Rooney, Grand
 Syndic, a prononcé un discours très
 animé. Un des membres nous écri-
 t: "Les remarques du Chancelier Rooney à
 l'adresse de ceux qui s'absentent des
 assemblées de la succursale, et par là
 même imposent à quelques uns le travail
 du plus grand nombre, seront longtemps
 vivaces dans l'esprit de ceux qui étaient
 présents. Il expliqua d'une manière
 lucide les devoirs des officiers et des
 autres membres, et fit voir comment ils
 devaient remplir l'engagement qu'ils ont
 pris, et il démontra la nécessité pour tous
 de travailler à accroître le nombre des
 membres de l'Association et de maintenir
 l'A. C. B. M. comme la première associa-
 tion fraternelle d'assurance opérant sous
 les auspices et avec l'approbation entière
 de l'Eglise."

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 prouva effet qu'avec les
 demandes d'admission reçues depuis et
 après le 1^{er} Janvier, 1897. A 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 ini-
 tiation. Après avoir reçu cet état,
 le Grand Conseil fera remise du mon-
 tant au Secrétaire Financier de la suc-
 cursale 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 ajou-
 tant la moitié de l'honoraires d'initia-

tion, elles n'y sont pas obligées, mais
 c'est une recommandation du Bureau
 des Syndics du Grand Conseil.

INSTALLATION DES OFFICIERS. DE LA SUCCURSALE NO. 96, LEVIS, P. Q.

Le 13 Janvier dernier, aux salles de
 cette Succursale, 7 rue Elen, avait
 lieu l'installation des officiers pour le
 présent office de 1897.

Le frère Calixte Dion, occupait le
 fauteuil de la présidence. A sa droite
 l'on remarquait le Révérend C. E.
 Carrier, Supérieur du Collège de
 Lévis et Grand Député de l'A. C. B. M.,
 accompagné des Révérends Célestin
 Lemieux et Gustave O. Carrier,
 tous deux, membres de l'Association;
 à sa gauche le Grand Commissaire
 Ordonnateur, Frère P. J. Montreuil,
 les chanceliers Chs. Darveau, J. E.
 Mercier, Jos. Giguère, O. Carrier, &c.,
 &c.

A la demande du Président, le Rév-
 érend C. E. Carrier procède à l'instal-
 lation des officiers.

Après des discours prononcés par le
 Révérend C. E. Carrier, l'N. B. Heau,
 Eccl., C. R., le Grand Commissaire Or-
 donnateur P. J. Montreuil et autres,
 l'Ex-Président, frère C. Dion et les
 Auditeurs frères L. O. Audet, F. N.
 Marceau, et J. A. Damontier soumet-
 tent à l'assemblée, leur rapport annuel,
 démontrant le progrès sensible de cette
 Succursale, durant l'année 1896.

Les résolutions qui suivent, sont
 ensuite adoptées à l'unanimité:

Il est proposé par le Gr. Commissaire
 Ordnt., P. J. Montreuil, appuyé par
 frère, Jos. Giguère:

Que des remerciements soient offerts
 à Messieurs les officiers sortant de
 charge.

Les frères J. E. Mercier et Chs. Dar-
 veau proposent, secondés par les frères
 O. Carrier et Jos. Giguère.

Que les membres de cette Succursale
 se plaisent à remercier le Révérend
 frère C. E. Carrier, pour avoir bien
 voulu faire l'installation de nos of-
 ficiers ce soir, et remercier aussi les
 Révérends frères C. Lemieux et G. O.
 Carrier, pour avoir rehaussé de leur
 présence, l'éclat de cette installation.

Bref, la Succursale No. 96 de Lévis
 étant composée de membres zélés, ne
 peut faire qu'augmenter et devenir,
 dans un avenir prochain, à figurer au
 premier rang des Associations que ren-
 ferme cette ville.

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Nouvelle Succursale.

La Succursale No. 277 a été instituée
 le 21 Janvier, à Brandon, Man., par le
 Grand Député Revd. A. A. Chénier. La
 liste des officiers paraît dans la partie
 Anglaise.

ROLE D'HONNEUR.

La Succursale No. 238, Québec, P. Q.,
 tient le premier rang sur le rôle d'hon-
 neur pour le plus grand nombre d'initia-
 tions pendant le mois de Décembre,
 1896, ayant initié sept membres.

La Succursale No. 32, Wingham, Ont.,
 tient en second lieu, ayant initié cinq
 membres.

La Succursale No. 169, Stadacona, N. B.,
 a initié quatre membres.

Resolutions de Condolences à l'oc- casion de la Mort de Sa Grandeur Monseigneur Fabre

A une assemblée de la succursale
 No. 217, L'Assomption, P. Q., tenue le
 7 Janvier, 1897, les résolutions sui-
 vantes ont été adoptées.

Proposé par Frère P. P. Renaud,
 secondé par le Révérend J. H. Marsol-
 ais, que les membres de la succursale
 No. 217, ont appris avec un vif regret
 la mort de l'illustre et Révérend
 issime Seigneur, Monseigneur Edouard
 Charles Fabre, Archevêque de Mon-
 tréal. — adoptée.

Proposé par Frère J. E. Faribault,
 secondé par Frère Achille Archam-
 bault, que copie des présentes réso-
 lutions soit conservée dans les archives
 de la dite succursale. — adoptée.

Proposé par Frère L. Desmarais,
 secondé par Frère Charles Rho, que
 ces résolutions soient transmises au
 journal de l'A. C. B. M., LE CANADIAN
 pour être publiées.

J. B. JONES, Sec.
 Président.
 J. E. Faribault
 Secrétaire Archiviste

Resolutions de Condolences.

A une assemblée régulière de la suc-
 cursale No. 87, Montréal, P. Q., tenue
 le 20 Janvier, les résolutions suivantes
 ont été adoptées:

Proposé par frère Joseph Bédard,
 appuyé par frère A. Boudon et résolu:
 Que les membres de cette succursale
 ont appris avec douleur la mort pré-
 maturée de frère Elie Marcell:

Proposé par frère N. Gervais, appuyé
 par frère J. E. Dupont, résolu: Quo
 la famille du défunt veuille bien
 accepter les condoléances et les sym-
 pathies des membres de cette succur-
 sale qui se rappelleront toujours les
 grandes qualités de leur regretté
 frère:

Proposé par frère J. A. Deniger,
 appuyé par frère A. Desjardins, et
 résolu: Qu'en signe de deuil la charte
 de cette succursale soit drapée de noir
 pendant un mois et que copies des
 présentes résolutions soient transmises
 à la famille du défunt, si cruellement
 épruvée, ainsi qu'au journal officiel
 de l'A. C. B. M., LE CANADIAN, pour
 publication.

A une assemblée régulière de la
 succursale No. 270, St. Alexandre de
 Kamouraska, P. Q., les résolutions
 suivantes ont été adoptées unanime-
 ment:

Proposé par frère Eugène Guay,
 secondé par frère Edizée Lafrest, que
 les membres de cette succursale ou
 appris avec regret la mort de Madame
 Dr. Rancourt, de Waterville, la soeur
 bien-aimée de frère Dr. Victor A.
 Vézina.

Que les membres de cette succursale
 prient le dit frère Vézina d'accepter
 leurs plus sincères condoléances, et que
 le Secrétaire Archiviste soit prié de
 transmettre les présentes résolutions à
 l'organe officiel, LE CANADIAN, pour
 publication.

A une assemblée régulière de la succursale
 No. 96, Lévis, P. Q. tenue le 9 Décembre,
 1896, les résolutions suivantes ont été adop-
 tées unanimement.

Il est proposé par frères J. E. Ladrière et
 Eusebe Boileau, appuyés par frères F.
 Dorval et Chs. Darveau, et résolu:

Que les membres de cette succursale ont
 appris avec le plus profond regret la mort de
 l'épouse d'un de leurs frères, Made. Jos.
 Giguère, enlevée à l'affection de sa famille.

Il est proposé par frères P. J. Montreuil et
 O. Carrier, appuyés par frères R. Bilodeau
 et T. Lamontagne, et résolu:

Que la famille, en ce jour d'épreuve, veuille
 accepter les condoléances et sympathies des
 membres de cette succursale:

Il est proposé par frères J. A. Dumontier
 et F. A. Marceau, appuyés par frères T. H.
 Hanolin et Emilio Gully, et résolu:

Que copie des présentes résolutions soit
 transmise au frère Jos. Giguère ainsi qu'à
 l'organe officiel de l'association pour publi-
 cation.

A une assemblée régulière des mem-
 bres de

la succursale No. 232, Stony Point, Ont., les
 résolutions suivantes ont été adoptées à
 l'unanimité.

Proposé par Frère E. C. Janisse secondé par
 Frère J. L. Beaudet, que les membres de cette
 succursale ont appris avec regret la mort de
 Mr. Pierre Chauvin, père de notre estimable
 Frère Alexandre Chauvin et résolu que la
 famille de notre frère veuille bien accepter
 les condoléances et les sympathies des mem-
 bres de cette succursale, et que copie des
 présentes résolutions soit transmise à la
 famille.

A une assemblée de la succursale No. 114
 de St. Sauveur de Québec, P. Q., tenue le 11
 Janvier 1897, la résolution suivante fut adop-
 tée:

Proposé par Frères Eug. Blais, O. Falar-
 deau, F. J. J. Beaudet, secondé par Frères Ar-
 thur, Cyr. Kiroune, Thos. Gagnon, que les
 membres de la succursale No. 114 ont appris
 avec regret la mort d'un de leurs frères M.
 François Laberge et résolu: Que la famille
 explore leurs plus sincères condoléances dans
 le malheur qui la frappe, et que les membres
 de cette succursale assistent en corps avec
 insignes aux funérailles et que copie de la
 présente soit adressée à la famille et publi-
 dans les journaux.

Address and Presentation to the Rev. Father Bayard.

On the evening of January 13 the mem-
 bers of Branch No. 7, Sarnia, Ont., met at
 the parochial residence of Rev. Father Bay-
 ard, P. P., rotating Recording Secretary of
 the branch, and who was about to be removed
 from Sarnia to Windsor, and presented him
 with the following address:

Rev. Joseph Bayard, P. P., Recording Sec-
 retary of Branch No. 7, C. M. B. A.

Reverend Dear Sir and Brother: The mem-
 bers of Branch No. 7, C. M. B. A., have learned
 with regret of your departure from Sarnia to
 the larger field for your spiritual labors at
 Windsor.

The brethren of the branch beg to convey to
 you that the branch has lost a good and faith-
 ful Spiritual Adviser, a faithful officer in the dis-
 charge of the duties of Recording Secretary,
 and an able advocate at all suitable times and
 occasions of the grand principles on which
 this noble Catholic organization is founded.
 What is Sarnia's loss is Windsor's gain, and
 whilst Sarnia may have a feeling of envy
 against Windsor in taking from her a pastor
 and a brother so well beloved by all, we can
 only say, "Rome has spoken and so ends the
 matter."

The members of the branch pray for you
 many years of healthful life, that through your
 works you may be able to accomplish many
 such noble works for the advancement of our
 holy religion and the good of our truly Catholic
 society as Sarnia will testify.

We pray for the members of Branch 7, C. M. B. A.

B. A. your blessing.
 Signed on behalf of the branch,
 Hugh O'Reilly, President; Jas. McDonald,
 First Vice President, and others.

The Rev. Father replied feelingly to the
 address, and advised his hearers to cling
 steadfastly to the faith that was in them, to
 extend the influence of the C. M. B. A. as
 much as possible, to encourage the young
 men to join, and finally imparted his blessing.
 The leave taking was sad, and all left feeling
 that they had said good-bye to a faithful friend.

Before leaving the members present were
 introduced to Rev. Father Kennedy, P. P.,
 who succeeds Father Bayard. He spoke in
 similar terms as Father Bayard, and stated
 that he was a member of the branch at Sea-
 forth for some thirteen years and could vouch
 for the good the principles of the C. M. B. A.
 had wrought amongst the people, etc.

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 Beaulieu, assistant secretary F. N. A. Robi-
 doux, financial secretary B. Charbonneau,
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 Rev. W. Hebert.

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 dent Dr. J. A. Langis, 1st vice Jerome D. Roy,
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