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(Being Chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes of Canada and amendments thereto)

Ottawa, 31st March 1900

THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION NO. 8 issued by the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada for the transaction of Assessment Life Insurance business in the Dominion of Canada, is hereby renewed till the thirty first day of March, 1901.

J. M. COURTENAY

Deputy Minister of Finance

W. Fitzgerald,
Superintendent of Insurance



DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, ONTARIO

No. 74.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY AS AN INSURANCE COMPANY

Whereas by the application of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, made pursuant to the Insurance Corporation Act, 1897 and the Acts amending and consolidating the same it has been made to appear to the undersigned, the Inspector of Insurance for the Province of Ontario, that the said applicant is entitled to registry as an insurance company:

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the said company is accordingly registered for the transaction of Life Insurance on the Assessment Plan in the Province of Ontario, for the term beginning on the first day of May, 1900, and ending on the thirtieth day of April, 1901, subject to the provisions of the aforesaid acts.

J. HOWARD HUNTER

Entered on the Insurance License Register No. 1413, Folio 141.

WILL. J. VALE, Entry Clerk.

G. M. B. A. PICNIC AT CORNWALL

Branch No. 38, of Cornwall Ont. have arranged for a monster C. M. B. A. demonstration and picnic in St. Laurence Park on Wednesday, June 20th.

Invitations have been issued to all C. M. B. A. branches in Montreal, and all Ontario east of Kingston

As this demonstration is designed for the purpose of bringing the members of the C. M. B. A. together, it will certainly be of much benefit to the Association in this part of Canada

Our Cornwall brothers promise a first-class programme of sports, with boating and fishing facilities. It is expected that the Grand President and other Grand Council officers will be present, and addresses will be delivered by prominent C. M. B. A. men.

We are sure that those who are fortunate enough to attend will enjoy a splendid days outing.

WHAT IS SAID OF THE C. M. B. A. BY OUR HIERARCHY.

There are other societies which bear the name of Catholic, and of these the best, to my mind, is the C. M. B. A. It has an entirely unselfish object. The benefit to be derived from membership would be conferred only after the member had himself gone to his reward — Archbishop O'Connor

I have been associated with a Branch of the Association for years, and in leaving my parish one of the cords hardest to sever was that which bound me to the C. M. B. A. I admire the Association: I bless the Association. Its methods have the sanction of the Church, and therefore must be right and good. Distress had found relief through the C. M. B. A., and charity had been distributed by it. By the payment of small rates the father, brother or son became a member, and when the bread earner was called away and the widowed wife and orphaned children were left to themselves the society stepped in and cared for them and protected them. What a truly noble mission this is! Furthermore, I look upon the C. M. B. A. as an auxiliary of the Church. Every branch formed in a parish is a great help to the clergy. The ultimate object of the society is the salvation of souls, and it thus becomes an instrument in the hands of the Church. — Archbishop Gauthier

I have a great interest in the C. M. B. A. I have been a member for a great many years, and have watched it very closely. I wanted to see the working of the Association before I joined it: and, after observing its development and worth, had become a member. I advise all who can possibly do so to join the C. M. B. A. at once. One became more thoroughly imbued with the Catholic spirit by becoming a member. We are influenced by our surroundings, and moral advice and assistance is obtained in the C. M. B. A. I wish the C. M. B. A. unbounded success. — Archbishop Brien

Not content with condemning Freemasonry and kindred associations, the great Pope goes further and says: "There are various sects of men, which, though in name, rites, form, and origin, they differ, yet in same

ness of aim and likeness of first principles they are bound together, and they thereby agree with the Masonic sect, which forms for a common centre whence all proceed, and to which all return. Though they, just now, seem very much to have cast off the garb of secrecy, and hold their meetings before the eyes of the world, and even have their own daily press, when we look in to the matter we find that they still retain all the characteristics of secret societies." Now dearly beloved brethren, we have many such societies in our midst, and we notice with alarm and regret, that Catholics sometimes enroll themselves under their banner. Perhaps, without realizing the danger to which they are exposed, they allow themselves to become members because, they expect some social or pecuniary assistance from their membership. Let it not be said, by way of extenuation, that these societies to which we refer have not the formal condemnation of the Church. It is true, they are not formally condemned, but on the other hand they are not approved, and Mother Church always looks with suspicion on fraternal societies that are beyond her control. For this reason Pope Leo XIII. gloriously reigning, cheerfully blessed the general intention of the League of the Sacred Heart for last September, viz. "The Struggle against Secret Societies." For the same reason we join our voice to that of the great pontiff, by exhorting all pastors laboring in this diocese to endeavor to keep away from all such societies, the faithful committed to their care. And you, dearly beloved brethren of the laity, do not lend an ear to those who come like wolves in sheep's clothing to allure you into any of the societies, that have not the formal approbation of the Church. In other words, do not give your name to any society that has not a priest as spiritual advisor or chaplain.

We appeal to you on this occasion, all the more readily, because, we have now firmly established in this diocese a fraternal society enjoying all the temporal advantages claimed by the others and at the same time honored with the highest approbation of our Holy Mother the Church. We refer to the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada. It is our earnest wish that the above named Association should grow and flourish in our midst, until there be a branch in every parish in this diocese. We recommend to all pastors of souls, that they explain to their people the internal workings of this Association, and impress on the minds of their hear-

ers, the many advantages to be derived from it. — Bishop Meade

APPEAL.

Tilbury, Ont., March 20, 1900

To the Members of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, Brothers Branch No. C. M. B. A., Tilbury. — It seems to me an urgent duty to appeal to the sister branches on behalf of Bro. Wm. Campbell, who has been seriously ill for the past ten years. He has been living here for twenty three years, and has always been working hard trying to make a living. Under unatey, last fall the poor fellow was stricken down with consumption brought on by overwork and exposure to all kinds of weather. He is now unable to do any work and is in very poor circumstances. His neighbors and the members of our branch have helped him all they possibly can. He has no means what ever, has nothing that he can turn into money, and unless he obtains assistance from his C. M. B. A. brothers, he, his wife and children will be in great distress. Indeed, this is certainly a sad case, and if there ever was a worthy appeal it is that of Brother Campbell.

The members of Branch No. 38 have responded to every appeal and we hope and pray that this will be allowed and that our sister branches will help Brother Campbell in this his hour of need.

We remain, yours fraternally,
SAMUEL MATHIAS, P. P.
T. J. BELANGER, Secy.

This is to certify that Brother Campbell is very much in need of assistance, that I approve of this appeal and hope it will meet with the approval of the Grand President and Board of Trustees and the response it deserves from the association.

P. LANGLOIS, P. P.,
Tilbury, Ont.

P. P. — All contributions to be sent to Rev. Father Langlois, P. P., Tilbury, Ont.

London, Ont., April 1900
T. J. BELANGER, Esq.,
Recy Secy Branch No. 38, C. M. B. A. Tilbury, Ont.
Dear Sir and Brethren: — I appeal from your branch on behalf of Bro. Wm. Campbell, who is in need of help. We recommend to all pastors of souls, that they explain to their people the internal workings of this Association, and impress on the minds of their hear-

Wm. J. BROWN,
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C. M. B. A. BOM.

Never before in the history of the C. M. B. A., has such enthusiasm been manifested among its membership as at present. The \$1 bonus arrangement is certainly having a very satisfactory effect so far as increasing the membership is concerned. It is, however, uncertain how long this arrangement can be continued. It is a great drain on the General Fund of the Grand Council, and unless branches pay their per capita tax, initiation tax, Medical Supervisor's fees and supply account promptly and regularly, said fund will become rapidly depleted, and the bonus must then be discontinued. If all our branches would comply with the regulations in our C. M. B. A. Constitution regarding remittances to the Grand Council, we could do much more toward perfecting the work of the Association, but, when a large number of the branches do not remit until three, six, and in some case even twelve months after the time allowed by the constitution, how can our membership expect the Grand Council to meet its obligations or continue expending money for the purpose of increasing our membership. There is no just cause whatever for branch officers not acting promptly in remitting General Fund account to the Grand Council, as such money is paid by each new member at the time of his initiation, and should therefore, be in the branch treasurer's hands or in bank to the credit of the branch. We are anxious to have our present plan for increasing our membership remain in force until next August, and hope our branches will provide the means for so doing by paying promptly what is due the Grand Council.

During February we had 236 new applications: March 1908 and April

Two or three of our French Branches in Montreal have been doing noble work lately, and we sincerely hope the boom will continue and become contagious throughout Quebec Province.

HIS EXCELLENCY MGR. DOMENICO MEDE FALCONIO

The visit to London of His Excellency Mgr. Falconio, Delegate Apostolic to Canada, which took place the last week in April, will never be forgotten by our C. M. B. A. brothers of this city.

Coming amongst us, as he did, the special representative of our Holy

sent to the United States. The following year he was raised to the priesthood by Right Rev. Doctor Timon, Bishop of Buffalo.

In July, 1866, he was appointed to the vice-presidency of St. Bonaventure's College, at Alleghany, N. Y., filling, at the same time, the chair of philosophy. He became successively secretary of the Franciscan province the Immaculate Conception, professor of theology, and president of the Seminary and college. In 1871, he was transferred to Newfoundland, to assist Mgr. Corfagnini, O. S. F., Bishop of Harbor Grace.

In these various offices Mgr. Falconio

second time when the general Francis can Chapter chose him as procurator general of the Friars Minor in the reformed provinces of Italy. In this capacity he was more than once entrusted with delicate missions by the Generals Bernardin de Portogruaro and Louis de Parma. He visited thirteen provinces of his Order, inculcating the principles of the monastic life and spirit of St. Francis everywhere he passed.

He was on the point of visiting France, in 1892 on a similar mission, when the Sovereign Pontiff preconized him Bishop of Lacedonia in the consistory held in July of that year. The new Bishop made his solemn entry into his diocese on February 2, 1893 and began immediately to work for the spiritual welfare of his flock. His affability, united to a great firmness of character, soon gained for him many friends. He aimed chiefly at getting into direct contact with his diocesans, and in the three years that he remained in Lacedonia visited the whole diocese three times. His pastoral letters, written during this term, were remarkable productions, one deserving special mention, the letter which treated of the respect which Catholics owe to their priests.

The Holy Father raised him, in 1895 to the united archiepiscopal See of Acarenza and Matera. In this new and wider sphere of action, Archbishop Falconio was distinguishing himself when Leo XIII. again called him to a higher dignity, that of Apostolic Delegate to Canada.

His Excellency has been with us now only a few months, and has already visited several of our cities and their religious institutions. He is at present residing in Ottawa.

QUEBEC PROVINCE SHAKES OFF ITS C. M. B. A. IETHARGY.

In reviewing the great work now being done by the C. M. B. A. membership all over the Dominion, in the securing of new members, we will be pardoned if we speak a special word of praise for the gallant band of workers in the city of Montreal.

For many years past the Executive officers felt that the growth and influence of the C. M. B. A. were not by any means as marked as they should be in the great Province of Quebec. There is no concealing this fact. The monthly reports of initiations told the story. The matter was difficult of solution so far as the efforts of the Grand Council were concerned. But a change has come over the spirit of our dreams. A new life and vigor has been born in to our branches in the city of Montreal. There is an exhibition of vitality, of internal resources, of endless determination that has already accomplished much and that give promise of even greater things to come.

The winter of our discontent is now



HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP D. FALCONIO, APOSTOLIC DELEGATE TO CANADA

Father Pope Leo XIII, that venerable and illustrious Pontiff who on several occasions cabied his blessing to our Association, it was our great privilege and pleasant duty to offer the homage and felicitations of our C. M. B. Association to His Excellency's high office and to extend to him a most hearty welcome.

His Excellency Mgr. Domenico Falconio was born in 1812 at Pescocostanza, in Abruzzo, Italy, and entered the Order of St. Francis at the age of eighteen. After a brilliant course of studies, under the direction of learned members of his Order, he was, in 1865

gained the good will and esteem of all who had dealings with him, and several years ago when he revisited America after a long sojourn in Europe, he was the object of touching and sympathetic demonstrations on the part of his former spiritual children.

From 1883 to 1892 Mgr. Falconio gave his services to his Order as provincial of one of the Franciscan provinces in Italy. During this term of office he opened a novitiate, founded a house of studies, and re-established a number of convents.

In 1888 Mgr. Falconio had just been named superior of his province for a

made glorious summer. It is not only in the city of Montreal that we find the effects of this great revival, but it is passing like a wave over the entire Province of Quebec.

Thus a new era has dawned on us—a bright, a happy, a prosperous era—and the outlook is cheerful and full of hope for the C. M. B. A. in the good old Catholic Province, and our citizens in Montreal deserve the profound thanks of us all.

EASIER DUTY.

The first thing required from a person applying for membership in the C. M. B. A. is proof that he is a practical Catholic. No matter how good a risk one may be physically, if he is not in a position to show that he is a practical Catholic he is barred from membership in this Association.

The being a practical Catholic when one becomes a member of the C. M. B. A. is not, however, sufficient. To retain membership in the organization and be entitled to participate in the Beneficiary Fund, a member must continue to be a practical Catholic. This is our fundamental obligation. Let no C. M. B. A. member deceive himself. This is one of the conditions, and the principal one, on which a policy or beneficiary certificate is issued to each member.

Some of our members who, unfortunately, have neglected this important condition to their retaining membership, endeavor to console themselves by saying: "Well, the Association cannot expel me without proof that I am not a practical Catholic, and this would be difficult to procure." Not so difficult now, my deluded friend.

At the late Convention Clause 53 of Section 210 of our Constitution was entirely erased, and Section 31 is now our sole law on the matter. Said Section says: "All questions pertaining to the spiritual qualifications of members shall be decided by their respective Pastors, subject, however, to appeal to the Bishop of the diocese in which the branch is located; and no one who claims to be a practical Catholic such Pastor and Bishop refuse to endorse can be retained in the Association. This section shall never be altered or amended."

Now, dear brothers, let it not be said after the Easter time this year that we have even one member in any branch of the C. M. B. A. of Canada who has not performed his Easter duty.

Branches requiring the revised C. M. B. A. Constitution in either English, French or German, can now be supplied by sending an order for same to the Grand Secretary.

On Low Sunday the members of Branch No. 4, London, Ont., received Holy Communion in a body. A large number attended, but there were some conspicuous by their absence.

ADDRESS BY W. J. SNELGROVE, ESQ.

At a recent meeting of the Canadian Fraternal Association, its president, Mr. W. J. Snelgrove, delivered a very interesting and instructive address. We regret our space will not permit its being published in full. However, the following extracts will no doubt be read with much interest by our C. M. B. A. members:

I note with pleasure that the past year has been one of increased prosperity and popularity to the Beneficiary Societies in general. None of the Orders represented in this Association have failed to make a substantial gain in membership. I have shared in the industrial expansion which marks this "growing time," while the sickness experience and mortality rate has been lower than in 1910. The assets of these Societies in Ontario now approximate \$1,000,000. These facts are subjects for congratulation and encouragement.

At our meeting last year, the copy of a Bill entitled, "An Act respecting the Incorporation of Benevolent Societies," which had just been introduced in the House of Commons at Ottawa by the Minister of Finance, Hon. Mr. Fielding, was submitted to this Association by Counsellor MacWatt, chairman of the Committee on Legislation. In introducing the Bill, the honorable Minister explained that its object was to make provision whereby any benevolent society, registered under Provincial law, and desiring to secure Dominion jurisdiction and recognition, might obtain practically Dominion incorporation by means of something like letters patent, under a general Act, without having to apply for special legislation in each case. After taking a cursory review of the proposed measure, the Association unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas, this Canadian Fraternal Association has not had sufficient time to fully consider the purport of the present Bill, it is hereby resolved that the Government of Canada be requested to allow the Bill to stand in abeyance for the present Session, and that the Legislative Committee of the Association is hereby instructed to use all reasonable efforts to secure this end."

Armed with this imperative mandate, your Executive and Legislative Committee lost no time in proceeding to Ottawa and arranging for an interview with the Finance Minister, who courteously received and attentively listened to all the members of the influential deputation representing this Association which I had the honor of introducing to him on May 11th last. As I do not intend in this connection to anticipate our Counsellor's official report sent the Ottawa mission, I will only add that the result of our interview was highly satisfactory and successful—the Minister assuring the deputation that he appreciated their objections and promising that he would lay their request before his colleagues in the Cabinet, where the matter would receive careful consideration. A day or two later, in reply to an interrogation from the Hon. Dr. Montagu, on the floor of the House, Hon. Mr. Fielding is reported to have said:

"Mr. Speaker.—I shall be glad to avail myself of the honorable gentleman's question to make a statement upon the subject. It is correct, as the honorable gentleman has said, that I was waited upon by a deputation representing the fraternal organizations who stated to me that before further action on the Bill they desired to afford their vari-

ous views an opportunity to be tendered its provisions. I was represented that the calling of a meeting of these societies would entail a considerable expense. In consideration of this, I have decided not to proceed with the Bill during the present year. An announcement will be sent today to the gentleman at the head of the deputation with the hope that he will wait on me upon the subject at the close of the session. My honor is that I may say that the Government of Canada, in its consideration of the Bill, has taken into account the constitutional position of the provinces. I think that they have some erroneous impressions as to the aim and intention of the Bill. Therefore, as we are not prepared to act on this question, I would propose that it be referred by a joint committee to the provinces.

The power and value of a combined effort in connection with the Fraternal Society operations has never been more effectively demonstrated than in this case. From the outset it was evident that the united voice of these societies acting as one body through the medium of this Association, would have very great weight with the Government while the presence and counsel of the Society leaders at the Capital had the effect of "putting brakes" on the proposed legislation for the present.

The Bill having been withdrawn from Parliament ostensibly in order to afford fuller time for its consideration by our Fraternal beneficiary organizations so vitally interested in its provisions, I deemed it not inconsistent with my duty and as an evidence of good faith on the part of this Association, to address on the 21st last a communication to the Minister of Finance, stating that I would be glad to learn whether he desired to receive from this Association officially any suggestion, opinion, or report respecting the various important objects embodied in Bill No. 53 of last session. I quote his reply as follows:

Ottawa April 21, 1911.
H. J. Snelgrove, Esq.
President Canadian Fraternal Association
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir, I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. We have no intention of proceeding with legislation at present respecting the fraternal societies to which you refer. Nevertheless, if you have any suggestion to offer with a view to future action, I shall be glad to receive them at your convenience and give them all due consideration. Yours faithfully,
W. S. FIELDING,
Minister of Finance.

This important matter is presented for your deliberation and such prudent action as may best safeguard the vast interests of our Fraternal Orders.

The formal protest of the Ontario Government against the constitutionality of the Fielding Bill shows that there are formidable lions in the path prepared to attack general legislation for Dominion supervision of friendly and fraternal societies; although it appears in evidence that the Dominion Parliament has already exercised the right to pass special Acts of incorporation for three or four Benevolent Orders without appearing to invade or encroach on Provincial rights. To great constitutional authorities I leave the task of deciding hair-splitting distinctions in the law of insurance contracts.

While I am confident that all our well managed Orders would cheerfully approve of and assent to a safe standard of minimum rates, and fair and just regulations for governmental supervision, under uniformity of legislation, calculated to insure safety and stability for their cherished institutions, yet I am positive that they would resolutely resent the vexatious interference of any State Insurance Bureau, be it Provincial or Federal.

During the year your Executive have kept a sharp lock-out upon the proceedings of the various Provincial

Parliaments but, I am pleased to say that no legislation that could be regarded as being in the slightest degree inimical or baneful to the work of our Societies was attempted to be enacted in any Province of Canada.

I think it is exceedingly desirable that this Association should by every practical means at its disposal assist and advise the Orders throughout the Dominion in respect to obtaining and retaining satisfactory legislation. We can also, as from a common centre, keep the various Orders informed as to any exigency or emergency that may arise, and induce them to act in unison by supporting or opposing, as the case may be, any project affecting their general welfare.

Not to do so, antagonistic agencies will continue to assail with vigor and with subtlety our philanthropic system. But I submit that it is our express duty to meet them with equal energy and adroitness. More especially we must be united. If we will not aid ourselves to be divided by purple jealousies, and all fraternal fellow workers will labor together in common lines, we shall be invincible.

Whenever it is found that the arch enemies of fraternal protection are endeavoring to place laws upon the statute book with the deliberate intention of hindering and harassing the humanitarian objects of the beneficent Orders, surely we have a right to ask our legislators that the C. M. B. A. shall be consulted in the premises and in return, we promise not factious oppositions, but earnest co-operation, so that a right conclusion can be reached. Thus by mutually taking counsel together, the crafty schemes of our opponents may be brought to naught.

For several years past, most of our Orders have been studiously reviewing their past record and investigating their present condition in the unflinching light of experience and are prepared, each as shall seem best fitted for its own particular constituency to provide adequately for the inexorable demands of the future. This augers well for fraternalism. Since our last meeting three important Orders whose headquarters are in this Province have wisely increased their contribution tables, so as to meet future mortuary claims and insure the permanency of their respective organizations. "Cautious and courageous" is a good maxim which I commend to those who are contemplating similar action.

I regard the mortality experience table which has been prepared and published after great care, labor and expense by the National Fraternal Congress of the United States as an invaluable guide for the adjustment of rates, so that the contribution shall be equitably proportioned to the hazard at risk.

The new departure recently taken by the Ancient Order of Foresters, in complying with the provisions of their Dominion charter, which requires that the Society must in respect of all beneficiary certificates accumulate and maintain a fund which shall never be less than the reserve or reinsurance value of such certificates, computed according to the standard fixed by the Dominion Insurance Act, is an improvement in fraternal insurance the outcome of which will be watched with much interest by me, with which and without the fraternal arena.

I believe it would be to the advantage of our fraternal societies that an abstract of the various judicial decisions that have from time to time (Continued on Next Page)

Statement of Assessments Received in April, 1900
Etat des Cotisations Recues Durant le Mois d'Avril.

N. B.—Les succursales qui n'apparaissent pas dans l'état ci-dessus comme ayant payé les cotisations Nos. 3 & 4, à l'exception des succursales Nos. 32, 40, 41, 51, 61, 63, 72, 117, 233, 265, 301, 302, 311, 309, 312, 313, 318, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Branch No.	Assessment No.	Beneficiary Fund.				Reserve Fund.				Assessment No.	Beneficiary Fund.				Reserve Fund.				
		Fund	Beneficiary	Branch	No.	Fund	Beneficiary	Branch	No.		Fund	Beneficiary	Branch	No.	Fund	Beneficiary	Branch	No.	
1	3 & 4	417	21	1 & 1	5	5

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM—SYSTEME DE COTISATION.
May Assessment, 1900 / Co. 5. Deaths / Nos. 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 and 45.

The Grand Council of the C.M.B.A. of Canada. Le Grand Conseil de la C.M.B.A. du Canada.
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, BUREAU DU SECRETAIRE.
London, Ont., May 1, 1900. London, Ont., 1 Mai, 1900.

Dear Sir and Brother—You are hereby / Cher Monsieur et Frère—Vous êtes, par le / officially notified of the death of the following / présent officiellement notifié du décès des / deceased brothers. / frères ci-après nommés.

No.	NAME.	BRANCH.	LOCATION.	POLICY.	ADMIT'D.	DECEAS'D.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	Patrick McCabe	113	Waterloo Ont.	1000	Dec. 7, '89	Dec. 31, '99	60	Heart disease
2	John H. Garrood	211	Pakenham Ont.	1000	Apr. 15, '87	Feb. 6, '99	25	Pleuro pneumonia
3	John McInoye	2	Ottawa, Ont.	2000	Dec. 21, '98	Mar. 26, '99	30	Peritonitis
4	John D. Lyche	55	Wrentham, Ont.	1000	Feb. 6, '88	Dec. 28, '98	28	Phthisis
5	Richard O'Connell	62	Canterbury, Ont.	2000	Jan. 29, '94	Jan. 29, '99	39	Pneumonia
6	Richard Brady	1	Windsor, O. I.	2000	Nov. 28, '99	Nov. 28, '99	61	Heart failure
7	J. W. Van Norman	303	N. Aveo, Ont.	1000	Nov. 16, '98	Apr. 1, '99	21	Phthisis
8	Joseph Rivard	101	Three Rivers, Que.	1000	Mar. 6, '91	Mar. 6, '99	31	Phthisis
9	Joseph Cloutier	101	Three Rivers, Que.	2000	Sep. 19, '93	Nov. 17, '99	47	Heart disease

Deaths Nos 37 and 38 not in regular order, proofs not having been received in time.
Les décès Nos. 37 et 38 ne sont pas rapportés dans l'ordre régulier, la preuve n'ayant pas été fournie à temps.

Statement of the Beneficiary and Reserve Funds for April, 1900. / Compte-rendu du Fonds des Bénéficiaires et du Fonds de Réserve pour le mois d'Avril, 1900.

BENEFICIARY FUND.—FONDS DES BÉNÉFICIAIRES.		DR.	
Amount on hand April 1st, 1900	\$ 150.15		
Received during April from Nos. 13 & 11 Assessment	5.33		
Received during April from Nos. 15	31.33		
Received during April from No. 1	139.05		
Received during April from No. 2	264.82		
Received during April from Nos. 3 & 4	13,715.77		
Received during April from No. 5	533.77		
Total	14,631.42		

CR.		\$ 1,000.00	
Apr. 12, 1900, Benefits paid on account of	Robt. Johnston.	Order No.	
Bénéficiaires payés à compte de	J. J. Donaghy	926 & 921	1,000.00
	P. B. Menard	922 & 923	2,000.00
	L. Forget	924	2,000.00
	A. Depatie	925, 926 & 931	2,000.00
	F. Metrynn	927	2,000.00
	P. Donegan	928	1,000.00
	J. McCarthy	929	1,000.00
	M. Dunn	930	2,000.00
	J. E. Allen	931	1,000.00
	A. Verroault	932	1,000.00
	J. Lynch	933 & 936	2,000.00
	G. Nestor	934	1,000.00
	T. Burns	935	1,000.00
May 1st, 1900, Balance			107.25
Total			21,107.25

Total amount of Beneficiary Fund collected since 1st January, 1883, to date... \$1,129,614.84
Montant total du Fonds des Bénéficiaires collecté depuis le 1er Janvier, 1883, à cette date... \$1,129,614.84

Total amount paid to the Beneficiaries of deceased members to date... \$1,129,207.57
Montant total payé aux Bénéficiaires des membres décédés à cette date... \$1,129,207.57

RESERVE FUND—FONDS DE RÉSERVE.	
Amount on hand April 1st, 1900	\$ 93,425.14
Amount accrued since last report	1,116.61
Total	94,541.75

SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secretary.

To the Members of the C.M.B.A. of Canada— / Aux Membres de la C.M.B.A. du Canada—

Brothers—The foregoing statement of Assessment No. 6 (May Assessment) is given in compliance with Sections 7 & 8 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 9th day of June, 1900. Branch Treasurers must remit to me the amount of this Assessment, on or before the 9th day of June, accompanied with Monthly Assessment Report. 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.

Frères—L'état précédent de la cotisation No. 6 (Cotisation du mois de Mai) est donné en conformité des Clauses 7ème et 8ème 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 9ème jour de Juin, 1900. Les Trésoriers des Succursales doivent me faire remise du montant de cette cotisation le ou avant le 9ème jour de Juin, accompagné du Rapport de la Cotisation Mensuelle. 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.

Young'fraternally, SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secretary.
Fraternellement à vous. SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secrétaire.

We ought to deal kindly with all, and to manifest those qualities which spring naturally from a heart tender and full of Christian charity, such as affability, charity and humility. These virtues serve wonderfully to gain the hearts of men, and encourage them to embrace things that are repugnant to nature.—St. Vincent de Paul.

N. B.—All branches not appearing on the foregoing statement as having paid Nos. 5 and 6 Assessments, with the exception of Branches 32, 40, 43, 61, 62, 65, 72, 147, 303, 308, 375, 337, 301, 306, 308, 314, 315, 328 and 330 are on this date (May 1, 1900) in arrears or under suspension. Said branches paid Nos. 3 & 4 in March.

Branch No. 17.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. T. Kelly, president Robert L. J. ...

Branch No. 18.

Spiritual adviser Rev. G. A. ...

Branch No. 19.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. ...

Branch No. 20.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. ...

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Branch No. 26.

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Branch No. 27.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. ...

Branch No. 28.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. ...

Branch No. 29.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. ...

Branch No. 30. Chancellor Alfred Cimon, marshal L. Trudel, ...

Branch No. 31.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Father Arpin, president E. J. ...

Branch No. 32.

Spiritual adviser Rev. O. Secord, president A. J. ...

Branch No. 33.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. A. Boucher, president John ...

Branch No. 34.

Chancellor A. Phaneuf, president Judge L. A. ...

Branch No. 35.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Daniel Fauriol, president J. F. ...

Branch No. 36.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Father D'Orb, president J. ...

Branch No. 37.

Spiritual adviser Rev. E. Chaboussier, president Joseph ...

Branch No. 38.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. M. Brandy, president E. ...

Branch No. 39.

Spiritual adviser Rev. W. P. Marchand, president ...

Branch No. 40.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. N. M. ...

Branch No. 41.

Spiritual adviser Rev. D. St. Cyr, president F. ...

Branch No. 42.

Spiritual adviser Rev. D. J. Lavin, president D. ...

Branch No. 43.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. Lavin, president D. ...

Branch No. 213.

Chancellor Jos. G. Blanchard, spiritual adviser Rev. S. ...

Branch No. 214.

Spiritual adviser Rev. T. Daly, president Edw. ...

Branch No. 215.

Spiritual adviser Rev. P. O. Connor, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 216.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. C. Biale, president A. ...

Branch No. 217.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. M. Leclerc, president ...

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Spiritual adviser Rev. J. M. Leclerc, president ...

Branch No. 225.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. M. Leclerc, president ...

Branch No. 233.

Spiritual adviser Rev. L. E. A. Gagne, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 234.

Spiritual adviser Rev. E. N. Masse, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 235.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Thos. Carey, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 236.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Chatelet, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 237.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. B. Gagnon, president Arthur ...

Branch No. 238.

Spiritual adviser Rev. C. F. J. Houquet, president ...

Branch No. 239.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. A. Melon, president J. ...

Branch No. 240.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. P. K. ...

Branch No. 241.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. P. K. ...

Branch No. 242.

Spiritual adviser Rev. S. T. Phelan, president Hugh ...

Branch No. 243.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. A. Rabineau, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 244.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. A. Rabineau, president Rev. ...

Branch No. 245.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. Roy, C. S. C., president Saulnier ...

Branch No. 26.

Spiritual adviser Rev. D. M. McDonald, president I. A. Brennan, 1st vice president I. H. Mack...

Branch No. 27.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Jos. P. L. Gaudet, president P. F. A. Vantour, 1st vice president James Mazouli...

Branch No. 28.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Father Corkery, president J. H. Kennedy, 1st vice president John Mahoney...

Branch No. 29.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. Burke, president Thos. A. Reynolds, 1st vice president Patrick Slattery...

Branch No. 30.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Sullivan, president Rev. J. Sullivan, 1st vice president O.A. Soudy...

Branch No. 31.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. Lorain, president J. D. A. Dezel, 1st vice president C. B. Soudy...

Branch No. 32.

Spiritual adviser Rev. L. C. D. Gaudet, president N. Verillous, 1st vice president J. P. L. Gaudet...

Branch No. 33.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. N. Gaudet, president S. S. LeBlanc, 1st vice president E. LeBlanc...

Branch No. 34.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. N. Gaudet, president H. P. Gaudet, 1st vice president O. Lemire...

Branch No. 35.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. C. Gaudet, president J. Gratton, 1st vice president F. Gaudet...

Branch No. 36.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Chaisson, president W. P. Callahan, 1st vice president P. Callahan...

Branch No. 37.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. C. McMillan, president T. J. Donahue, 1st vice president A. B. McMillan...

Branch No. 38.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Jas. Kilgallon, president M. J. Mahon, 1st vice president Thos. Connel...

Branch No. 39.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. L. French, president W. Ryan, 1st vice president E. McMillan...

Branch No. 40.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Father O'Connor, president Patrick McAlpin, 1st vice president Morgan Shaukney...

Branch No. 41.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. Hogan, president D. Hogan, 1st vice president J. O'Brien...

Branch No. 42.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. N. Fagan, president J. O'Hanlon, 1st vice president G. Boyce...

Branch No. 43.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. Louis, president Leo LeBlanc, 1st vice president J. Adams...

Branch No. 44.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Wm. Bergin, president J. P. Farrow, 1st vice president Chas. A. LeBlanc...

Branch No. 45.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Dumas, president P. D. A. Gaudet, 1st vice president A. H. Soudy...

Branch No. 46.

Spiritual adviser Rev. M. J. Gaudet, president M. Gaudet, 1st vice president J. P. Gaudet...

Branch No. 47.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. E. Matheson, president George Hartley, 1st vice president J. Hartley...

Branch No. 48.

Spiritual adviser Rev. W. B. McDonald, president Thos. Soudy, 1st vice president Raymond Gaudet...

Branch No. 49.

Spiritual adviser Rev. B. M. Munns, president Rev. B. M. Munns, 1st vice president M. Webb...

Branch No. 50.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. Downey, president Rev. D. J. Downey, 1st vice president D. De Courcy...

Branch No. 51.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Joseph R. Doucet, president Rev. F. N. Gaudet, 1st vice president A. P. Chaisson...

Branch No. 52.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. J. Gaudet, president Thos. Harty, 1st vice president Michael Harty...

Branch No. 53.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. H. Gaudet, president J. Gaudet, 1st vice president M. F. Gaudet...

Branch No. 54.

Spiritual adviser Rev. H. J. Gaudet, president C. E. Gaudet, 1st vice president J. Gaudet...

Branch No. 55.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Wm. Bergin, president Henry Gaudet, 1st vice president Wm. Bergin...

Branch No. 56.

Spiritual adviser Rev. F. N. Gaudet, president J. Gaudet, 1st vice president W. G. Farrow...

Branch No. 57.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Gaudet, president Rev. J. Gaudet, 1st vice president J. Gaudet...

Branch No. 58.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Gaudet, president J. Gaudet, 1st vice president J. Gaudet...

Branch No. 59.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Gaudet, president J. Gaudet, 1st vice president J. Gaudet...

Branch No. 60.

Spiritual adviser Rev. J. Gaudet, president J. Gaudet, 1st vice president J. Gaudet...

published in THE CANADIAN and in our local papers

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 29, held at Westport, March 1st, 1910, the following resolution was unanimously adopted...

Resolved that our charter be drafted for one month, and that a copy of this resolution be posted in the minutes of this meeting...

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 29, held at Westport, March 1st, 1910, the following resolution was unanimously adopted...

Resolved that the members and numbers of Branch No. 29 be revised for the family...

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to our local papers, The Canadian and others...

At the regular meeting of Branch No. 29, held at Westport, March 1st, 1910, the following resolution was unanimously adopted...

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to our local papers, The Canadian and others...

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I, A. J. Gaudet, Secretary of M. R. A. of Canada, L. L. Gaudet.

Dear Sir: I thank you for having been very kind to other matters...

Yours gratefully, Signed Mrs. L. Gaudet.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Branch No. 26, Peter N. S. on the death of the sister of Bro. Daniel and Alice Smith.

Branch No. 28, St. Germain on the death of Bro. Joseph M. Laughlin's sister.

Branch No. 30, Winnipeg, Man. on the death of Mrs. Sharkey's mother in law.

Branch No. 129, Sydney, C. B. N. S. on the death of Bro. John L. Laffin's brother.

At the last regular meeting of Branch No. 29, Ottawa, Ont., a resolution of condolence was passed to the mother and relatives of the late Bro. John McElmoyle.

Branch No. 121, Biddulph, Ont. on the death of Bro. Wm. Toobey's mother.

Branch No. 181, Fairville, N. B., on the death of Bro. Chas. Savage's son.

Branch No. 28, Ottawa, Ont., on the death of Bro. A. J. Warnock's father.

Branch No. 19, Ingersoll, Ont. on the death of Bro. W. P. Scott's daughter Mrs. W. N. Daniels.

At a meeting of Branch No. 29, M. R. A., Peterborough held April 2nd, 1910, the following resolution was unanimously adopted...

I remain yours truly, LILLIAN HARTNETT

Dear Sir: I thank you for having been very kind to other matters...

Thanking you and the members of Branch No. 29 of the Catholic Missionary Association...

If thou attend diligently to what thou art interiorly, thou wilt not regard what men say of thee.

Always to do well, and to esteem one self of small account, is the mark of an humble soul.

To refuse consolation from any creature is the sign of great purity and of an interior confidence.

For not he that comprehendeth himself, faith blessed Father, is approved but he whom God commendeth.

To walk with God within, and to be bound by no affection from without is the state of the man of interior life.

MR. O. K. FRASER WILL SUCCEED THE LATE SAMUEL REYNOLDS

A message received from Toronto announces the decision of the Government to name O. K. Fraser as successor to the late Samuel Reynolds, Recorder of the High Court of Justice. No word of the Recorder is necessary in earning the position, as he is it necessary to recall the fact that there is no member of the Liberal party in Canada whose services are more thoroughly entitled to recognition by his friends. His work in behalf of Liberalism has been continuous since boyhood, and he is rightly considered an authority on all that pertains to election law.

As an organizer, he has no superior in the Dominion, and his place as president of the Liberal Association will be difficult to fill.

This appointment will be received with satisfaction all over Ontario, for there are few counties where O. K. Fraser has not rendered service to the Liberal cause, and fewer still where his name, as well as that of his late brother, the Hon. C. F. Fraser, are not known. He will begin his duties at once, and while very sorry, from a party standpoint, to see him snatched, the Recorder congratulates him on the appointment, and trusts that he may live many years to perform the duties which are by no means a sinecure.—The Evening Recorder, Brockville

THE C. M. B. A. IN P. E. I.

The C. M. B. A. has no more prosperous abiding place nor more enthusiastic workers than those to be found in the "Garden Province of the Gulf."

When that zealous churchman and Canadian, Father Burke, some six years ago, was the means of having the first Prince Edward Island branch established in his parish of Alberton, even his optimistic mind could hardly foresee the good that would accrue from his worthy initiative.

Today we see the whole province permeated by the true C. M. B. A. spirit and the pioneer branch of Alberton flanked by descendants stronger than the parish. Nowhere is this activity more marked than in Tignish, the largest country parish of the Island diocese. From the branch's chief organizer and first priest, Dr. Murphy, to the present incumbent, Brother Brennan, they are all progressive, wide-awake brothers who have the interests of their branch as one of their first cares.

Tignish Branch No. 281 is about to erect a commodious building for hall purposes, and with this end in view held a very successful concert on the evening of March 31st. The following, which we clip from the provincial press, is an earnest of the success of the affair:

On Saturday evening last a very successful and enjoyable entertainment was given in St. Mary's Hall, Tignish, under the auspices of Branch 281, C. M. B. A. The hall was filled to overflowing, and the programme was an exceptionally good one and carried out without a hitch. It included the following numbers: Opening address by the President, J. Albert Brennan; piano duet, by Misses Galant and Mactague; address on the C. M. B. A., by Dr. P. C. Murphy, an excellent and able presentation of the ad-

vantages of membership in this splendid fraternal organization, which is moving to the front very rapidly in the west; an Irish recitation and a solo song by A. Howard Hackett, who was cheered, and whose witty remarks always bring down the house; piano solos by Misses Galant, Larkin and Kelly; vocal solo, sung by Miss Larkin; solo of candy; vokal solo "The Absent-Minded Beggar" by J. E. Gallant; reading, "The Hebianaut," by Dr. Murphy; and a large "A Sea of Trouble," the National Anthem belonging to a course one of the best entertainments yet given in Tignish and one that was a credit to Branch 281. The net amount of \$50 was realized, which goes towards the new hall which is shortly to be erected by the above branch.

BRO JAMES STRONG'S APPEAL.

Contributions received since March 1st 1900.	
Br. No.	Amount
200 Killaloe	1.00
218 New Glasgow, N. S.	1.00
124 Bridalport, Ont.	1.00
287 Truro, N. S.	1.00
187 Chatham, Ont.	1.00
186 Victoriaville, Que.	1.00
180 Yarmouth, N. S.	1.00
187 Surgeon Falls, Ont.	1.00
108 Hoston, Ont.	1.00
62 Canard River	1.00
Amount previously acknowledged 177.50	
\$457.50	

BROTHER MICHAEL NORWOODS APPEAL.

Westport, April 1st, 1900.
The following is a full list of branches which have sent in contributions up to this date in response to the appeal of Branch 99, in aid of Brother Michael Norwood.

Br. No.	Location	Amount
99	Westport, Ont.	\$20.00
208	Dartmouth, N. S.	1.00
257	Truro, N. S.	1.00
185	Carleton Place, Ont.	1.00
256	Charlottetown, P. E. I.	1.00
12	Galaxy, N. W. P.	2.00
57	Hamilton, Ont.	2.00
14	Eganville, Ont.	1.00
63	Ayrton, Ont.	1.00
287	Belliveau's Cove, N. S.	1.00
157	Sarata, Ont.	1.00
208	Thurso, Que.	1.00
98	Campbellford, Ont.	1.00
180	Yarmouth, N. S.	1.00
12	Marysville, Ont.	2.75
61	St. Agatha, Ont.	1.00
288	Daweyville, Ont.	1.00
289	St. Joachim, Ont.	1.00
5	Brantford, Ont.	1.00
204	Parrsboro, N. S.	1.00
218	New Glasgow, N. S.	1.00
30	Peterboro, Ont.	1.00
206	Church Point, N. S.	.75
215	Kennville, Ont.	1.00
60	Dublin, Ont.	1.00
103	St. Jean Baptiste, Man.	1.00
211	Joggins Mines, N. S.	1.00
157	Fletcher, Ont.	1.00
160	Halifax, N. S.	1.00
285	Richibucto, N. B.	1.00
161	Carlsruhe, Ont.	1.00
133	St. John, N. B.	1.00
211	Pakenham, Ont.	1.00
90	Pictou, Ont.	1.00
138	St. Vincent de Paul, Que.	1.00
192	Antigonish, N. S.	1.00
9	Kingston, Ont.	2.00
221	Woodville, Ont.	1.00
14	Arnprior, Ont.	1.00
281	Tignish, P. E. I.	1.00
173	Belle River, Ont.	1.00
38	Montreal, Que.	2.00
113	Montreal, Que.	1.00
107	Dorchester, N. B.	1.00
279	Stanley Point, Ont.	1.00
109	Louisa, N. S.	1.00
52	Winnipeg, Man.	3.00
105	St. Mary, Ont.	1.00
126	Somershet, Man.	1.00
272	Wellington, P. E. I.	1.00
201	Brewers Mills, Ont.	2.00
202	Chatham, N. B.	2.00
284	Glace Bay, C. B. N. S.	2.75
283	Maniwaki, Que.	1.00
20	Maldeston, Ont.	1.00
58	Mount Forest, Ont.	1.00
117	Joliette, Que.	2.00
237	Huctouche, N. B.	1.00
227	Fort William, Ont.	1.00
170	Elgin, Ont.	2.00
285	Huntley, Ont.	1.00
214	Halifax, N. S.	1.00
21	Thorold, Ont.	1.00
208	Canoe, N. S.	1.00
Total.....		\$94.45

A man who never makes mistakes, never makes anything else either.—Merriman.

FATHER PAT.

There was one confessional vacant
There were kind words left unread
Telling the sinner to cling to God
Saturday's Mass was left unread
And the people had lost their father
And that father was "Father Pat."

So on his knees he'd unbrightened
By the father's cheery voice
There were those who felt as they saw him
Dead,
"We will never more rejoice."
And all the little children—
Such as pressed with me fear or dread
"Our Saviour's knee" full sally knew
That a Mass has been left unread."

There were sorrow and burning and troubles
That only the Father could
Brush right away with his worthy hand.
And they are unubdued!
Sorrow and troubles and angers,
And spleen and weep, and what,
But the Father did his work beside
And the Father was—"Father Pat."

They took him away to the temple
And laid him within the nave,
For he loved the Beauty of God's house,
And 'twas right, the place they gave!
And the men and mothers and maidens,
And the children, all were wed
In one long wail for "Father Pat,"
Who had left the Mass unsaid.

They buried him 'neath the altar
From whence the Virgin looks
Into the hearts of the holy nuns
'God's illuminated books!'
And the trees around the convent rustle,
The winds tap the windows at,
And the children pray in the morning times
And sorrow for "Father Pat."

But the Choirs in the Heavenly Mansions
Have never a discord thrown
Into their praise, "Ore the Throne's blaze,
And love is in every tone!
And th' Perpetual Adoration
'Midst which he bows his head
Makes "Father Pat" forgot, I trow,
The Saturday's Mass unread!"

LOCAL REGISTRAR.

O. K. Fraser Secures the Appointment in Succession to the Late Samuel Reynolds.

Out of the many applicants, among whom it is said were W. A. Lewis, Athens; W. J. Webster, Westport; A. A. Fisher, W. S. Buell and I. N. Marshall, Brockville, Oliver Kelly Fraser, of Brockville, has been selected by the Ontario Government to fill the position of local High Court Registrar left vacant recently by the death of Samuel Reynolds and it is understood he will enter upon the discharge of his duties at once.

Mr. Fraser is the youngest son of the late John S. Fraser, of Brockville, where he was born on Dec. 12, 1858, and has spent his entire life of forty-two years. He received a good education. On leaving school he studied law in the office of Fraser & Reynolds, being called to the bar in 1882. He became a member of the firm with which he studied, and the firm went under the name of Fraser, Reynolds & Fraser. When the firm dissolved partnership in 1891 he formed a partnership with M. M. Brown, the county crown attorney.

He married Miss Margaret Braniff, daughter of the late Thomas Braniff, by whom he has a family of three children.

Mr. Fraser has been a prominent factor in C. M. B. A. circles, having occupied the Grand President's chair for four consecutive years.

From a party standpoint as well as personal qualifications, Mr. Fraser has well earned the position. For many years he was president of the Brockville Reform Association, and as such performed the duties of his office to the entire satisfaction of his party, which, by reason of his new office, will now lose his services. The appointment

had necessarily to be made at this time owing to press of business and under the circumstances it was the best the government could possibly have made. Mr. Fraser will make an excellent official. The Brockville Times, March 19, 1900.

A POPULAR APPOINTMENT

That of Mr. John O'Meara, Who Was Appointed County Solicitor of Carleton.

Mr. John O'Meara, representative of the Suburban Division in the Carleton County Council, received an acceptable St. Patrick's day gift on the 17th of March. On that day he was appointed County Solicitor, in succession to the late G. M. Greene, Esq. As the Council is composed of ten Orangemen and two Roman Catholics, it is apparent that in Carleton religious differences do not weigh against merit.

From a contemporary we glean the following particulars concerning Mr. O'Meara:—Mr. O'Meara, newly appointed County Solicitor, was born in Pembroke, Ont., in the year 1858, and is the youngest son of Daniel O'Meara, a pioneer lumber merchant of the same place. He received his education at the Pembroke Separate and High schools and in the Ottawa University. He studied law in Ottawa with the firm of O'Gara, Lapierre & Remon, and afterwards in Toronto in the law office of Cameron, McMichael & Hoskin. Mr. O'Meara was called with honors to the bar in 1881. He practised in Ottawa for a short time and at the time of the boom went to the North-west, where he remained for some time. Returning he established himself in Peterboro, where he carried on a successful practice for ten years. He then moved to Ottawa, residing in Hintonburgh. In 1894 on the incorporation of Hintonburgh as a separate village, he was elected first Reeve thereof, and re-elected in 1895 and 1896.

In 1897 when the change respecting the constitution of County Councils took effect, he declined renomination as Reeve and ran for the County Council Suburban Division, but was defeated by a few votes. At the election of 1899 he was successful in defeating Warden Ballantyne by a large majority, and for the past fifteen months has sat in the Council as representative of the Suburban Division.

His appointment has been received with great expressions of satisfaction from the legal profession in Ottawa and vicinity, with whom he is deservedly popular.

Mr. O'Meara is thoroughly versed in Municipal law, and his reputation as a jury lawyer is well established in the Ottawa district.—Morning Times, Peterborough.

Tenderness does not mean weakness, softness effeminateness. It is consistent with strength, manliness, truth and bravery. It does not show itself alone in the touch, but in unselfishness, thoughtfulness, consideration, forbearance, patience, long-suffering. But however it shows itself, it is as the bloom of the peach, as spring showers on the earth, as the music of angels stealing down on the plains of Bethlehem. You may not have much of this world's wealth to distribute, but you may give something better and spend a useful and beneficent life if you will practice this lesson of shedding around you the grace of human tenderness, in word and act and by the spirit of your life.

ADDRESS BY W. J. SNELGROVE.

(Continued from Third Page.)

been rendered in the Canadian High Courts of Justice and Appeal, wherein these organizations have appeared either as plaintiffs or defendants should be compiled in convenient form, also that a concise digest of all Provincial statutes regulating Benevolent Societies be prepared for this Association.

I would suggest that a comprehensive statement indicating the principal remedial changes adopted in the constitution and general laws governing any Fraternal Society should be presented to this Association annually.

I am convinced it is most desirable that we should bring our solid influence to bear upon each and all of our Grand and Supreme bodies for the sake of inducing them to adopt a uniform minimum fee of \$2.00 to be paid subordinate medical officers for the careful examination of each applicant for membership. If such a regulation were uniformly enforced, who can doubt that the mortality rate of C. F. A. experience would not be reduced?

One evil result of the keen competition between rival organizers is seen in the improper practice of rebating, remitting, or "throwing off" the initiation fee which constitutional law fixes unvariably. This illegitimate device for catching new members should not be tolerated by any first class society.

The fraternal press is worthy of mention here as an important factor and powerful educator in the fraternal field, accomplishing, as it does, great good by the dissemination of authentic information and the best thought regarding fraternal beneficial protection. I am pleased to notice that a friendlier feeling prevails among our official organs, and that acrimonious controversies, caustic criticisms and sarcastic strictures re "sister societies,"—so much to be deplored in the past, now seldom disgrace the columns of our fraternal papers, but instead there appear words of cheer and good fellowship. Surely we are rising above the miserable narrowness which vainly imagines that ours is the only Society having a right to exist. How much better to practise the Golden Rule: to live and let live!

Allow me to call your special attention to the newspaper report that a deputation from the Independent Order of Foresters waited upon the Attorney General and the Registrar of Friendly Societies for Ontario on Saturday last, and urged the enactment of reciprocal legislation admitting American Fraternal Societies to do business in this Province. It was stated by the speakers of the deputation that in some of the States of the Republic there are provisions in force favorable to Canadian beneficiary societies, while in others there were threats being made of retaliatory legislation if U. S. organizations were not treated with greater consideration in Canada. The Hon. Mr. Gibson pointed out the great difficulties in the way of carrying out such a proposal and said that in any event the present session was too far advanced to permit of any legislation in the direction desired.

I cannot close this address without thanking our worthy Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. W. F. Montague, for the unflinching courtesy I have received at his hands. It is with genuine pleasure that I testify to the rare ability, fidelity, urbanity, assiduity, and punctuality with which he performs the duties of his office and ever seeks to promote the welfare of this Association.

I regret that two or three Canadian

beneficiary association still hold themselves aloof from this mutual alliance. Such non-intercourse is calculated to hamper the united action of all the Societies and is certain to be utilized by those unfriendly to our interests. I am encouraged to believe that with possibly one exception these "separated brethren" will in the Association before another year.

I trust that the deliberations of this meeting will be harmonious and that the spirit of tolerance will permeate our proceedings,—so that this session will be the most pleasant and profitable in the history of the C. F. A.

DEATH OF GRAND DEPUTY CRAGG

It is our sad duty this month to announce the death of one of the best-known members of the C. M. B. A., Grand Deputy Bro. James R. Cragg, of Halifax, which took place at his home on the 25th of April. Bro. Cragg was in failing health for some months, the result of too close application to his growing business, but his numerous friends were hopeful that his illness was but temporary, and that a complete rest would recuperate his health. He spent some time in the country, and apparently improved, but upon resuming his work, his health again gave way, and his illness confined him to his house. All that local medical skill could do for him was done, but without avail. Some weeks ago he decided to proceed to New York to consult an eminent specialist, whither he was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Bro. D. Walsh, but the specialist was unable to hold out any hope, and advised him to return home immediately, which he did. His condition became gradually worse, until on the 25th of April, surrounded by the members of his family, and fortified by all the consolations of Mother Church he passed away.

The late Bro. Cragg was born in Halifax on January 21 1852 and was a son of the late John L. Cragg, City Clerk of Halifax. He was educated in the local schools, where he showed great aptitude and made a good record, and upon leaving school he entered the hardware establishment of H. H. Fuller & Co., where his business capacity and industry brought him speedy promotion. About fourteen years ago he began business on his own account in partnership with his brother, under the firm name of Cragg Bros. & Co., and the new firm by the enterprise, industry and fair dealing of its members became quite successful.

The Halifax Herald, speaking of the deceased said:

Although Mr. Cragg was essentially a business man and had much to occupy his time and talents, yet he always managed to spare time out of his busiest day for anything which would tend to the advantage or progress of the city or his fellowmen. Time and effort so expended he never begrudged, but never received any remuneration or gain from work so done. With him it was a labor of love to work for the interests of his city or fellow beings, and his work will be long remembered.

Bro. Cragg, at a critical period, was a member of the school board, and as such safe-guarded so far as was possible at the time, the interests of the Catholics. He was frequently asked to run as alderman, but he found his other engagements too pressing to make it practicable.

Bro. Cragg was one of the pioneers of the C. M. B. A. in Nova Scotia,

being a charter member of Branch 1. His success in the Association in Nova Scotia is largely owing to his untiring labors for its advancement. He attended the St. John Convention as a delegate from his branch and there made a most favorable impression on his brother members. He also attended the Ottawa Convention since 1884 he has been Grand Deputy for Halifax, and has managed the reception to the Grand President in 1890. He was also the Association's agent for the province of Nova Scotia. Bro. Cragg leaves a widow and seven children.

It is sad to realize that our late brother is no more. In life he was agreeable, kindly and genial, and will be much missed in the community in which he lived. He was a man of robust and ardent faith, and when the end came he accepted with resignation the will of God. May his soul rest in peace.

INITIATIONS IN APRIL 1900.

Initiations on April.

Table listing initiations by location and date in April 1900. Locations include Montreal, Cape Breton, St. John's, and various other cities. The table ends with a 'Total' row.

THE HULL FIRE.

We regret to hear that many of our C. M. B. A. brethren suffered very heavily by the recent terrible fire in Hull, Ontario. Branch 100 has a membership of 100 and of them 75 were living there. Had they been members of Branch 100, they would have been saved from the flames of Hull.

A number of Branches have not yet remitted to the Grand Secretary the premium on the Guarantee Bonds for their Financial Secretaries and Treasurers. Said Branches are knowingly violating sections 10, 11 and 12 of our Constitution. In the next issue of the Canadian a statement will be given showing the Branches that have not complied with this very important regulation of our Association. We must insist our financial work on strictly business principles. We do not want any go-as-you-please, slipshod style of work.

Grand Deputies Bourgeau, Fortier, Patevin and Larpenier of Montreal, have been working very energetically and very successfully, for in the C. M. B. A. cause for the past two months. We would like to see our other Grand Deputies in Montreal wake up and get a gait on. What has become of our one time successful warriors and leaders to victory Brothers Ann, Spedding, Cawigan and Tansy. Surely they are not going to forsake the C. M. B. A. yet. Enter the arena again, brothers, and show you are still able to hold your own as of yore.

RECOMMENDED BY OUR HOLY FATHER.

The C. M. B. A. has from its inception been sanctioned by our Holy Father Leo XIII, who has blessed it with especial gladness whenever occasion offered and urgently recommended it to the faithful children of the Church in Canada. It is under the especial patronage of the entire Hierarchy the Venerable Archbishops and Bishops preceded by age, etc., gladly blessing it and encouraging its spread in their respective dioceses.

The names of the following Archbishops and Bishops, with those of nearly all the Parish Priests and Curates in Canada, wherever branches are established, adorn the C. M. B. A. roll of membership.

- List of names of Archbishops and Bishops: Most Rev. C. J. Allen, Archbishop of Halifax; Most Rev. C. H. Gauthier, Archbishop of Kingston; Right Rev. R. A. Connor, Bishop of Peterborough; Right Rev. T. J. Dowling, Bishop of Hamilton; Right Rev. M. Decelles, Bishop of St. Hyacinthe; Right Rev. J. M. Emard, Bishop of Valleyfield; Right Rev. A. Pascal, Bishop of Prince Albert; Right Rev. E. J. Legal, Bishop of St. Albert; Right Rev. F. P. McVay, Bishop of London; Right Rev. F. A. ... Bishop of Three Rivers; Right Rev. T. J. Barry, Bishop of Chatham, N. B.

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Les membres sont invités à nous envoyer des nouvelles ou informations pour l'Association pour leur bénéfice. Les communications sur des sujets d'intérêt pour les membres de la C. M. B. A. seront reçues avec plaisir, mais toutes les lettres anonymes et toutes autres lettres qui ne seront jugées ne pas être dans l'intérêt de l'Association ne seront pas publiées.

Les correspondants voudront bien se rappeler que la copie de nos pages ne peut être publiée dans le numéro suivant. Lesquelles étant limitées, ne peuvent être publiées.

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Les Succursales ayant besoin d'exemplaires de la constitution revêtus, en Anglais, en Français ou en allemand, peuvent se procurer en les ordonnant du Grand Secrétaire.

Durant le mois de Février nous avons eu 21 nouvelles demandes d'admission; nous en avons eu 105 en Mars et 105 en Avril. Deux ou trois de nos succursales de langue française, dans Montréal, ont fait un grand travail depuis peu, et nous espérons sincèrement que l'élan va continuer et devenir contagieux par toute la Province de Québec.

Un nombre de Succursales n'ont pas encore fait remise au Grand Secrétaire de la prime pour la garantie de leurs Secrétaires Financiers et de leurs Trésoriers. Ces Succursales violent sciemment les clauses 131, 132, 170 et 177 de notre constitution. Dans le prochain numéro du Canadien sera donné un état faisant voir les Succursales qui ne se sont pas conformées à ce très important règlement de notre association. Nous devons conduire notre travail financier sur des principes strictement d'affaires.

Les Grands Députés Bourgeon, Fortier, Potevin et Carpenter, de Montréal, ont travaillé très énergiquement, et avec beaucoup de succès aussi, à la cause de la C. M. B. A., durant les deux derniers mois. Nous voudrions voir nos autres Grands Députés, à Montréal, se réveiller et se mettre aussi à l'œuvre. Qu'est-il advenu de nos vaillants soldats d'autrefois qui nous ont conduit à la victoire, les frères Finn, Spedding, Costigan et Tansey? Assurément ils n'ont pas encore décidé d'abandonner la C. M. B. A.? Entrez de nouveau dans l'arène, frères, et montrez que vous pouvez encore vous maintenir au premier rang comme jadis.

ACCOUSSEMENT PATRIAR
DINAIRE DE LA C. M. B. A.

Jamais auparavant dans l'histoire de la C. M. B. A. il s'est manifesté autant d'enthousiasme qu'actuellement parmi les membres. L'arrangement du bureau

de la C. M. B. A. a certainement un effet très satisfaisant sous le rapport du recrutement de nouveaux membres. Néanmoins, il est incertain combien long temps on pourra continuer cet arrangement. C'est la cause d'un grand retrait du fonds général du Grand Conseil, et à moins que les succursales payent la taxe per capita, la taxe d'initiation, l'honoraire du Médecin en Chef et ce qui est dû pour la papeterie, etc. promptement et régulièrement, ce fonds va s'épuiser rapidement, et le bonus devra alors être discontinué. Si toutes les Succursales se conformaient aux règlements de notre constitution concernant les remises d'argent à faire au Grand Conseil, nous pourrions faire beaucoup plus pour perfectionner le travail de l'association, mais, lorsqu'un grand nombre des Succursales ne font remise qu'après trois, six et, dans quelques cas, même douze mois après la limite de temps alloué par la constitution, comment nos membres peuvent-ils s'attendre que le Grand Conseil rencontre ses obligations ou continue de dépenser de l'argent dans le but d'augmenter le nombre des membres. Il n'y a aucune juste cause pour que les officiers des Succursales n'agissent pas promptement en faisant remise de l'argent du fonds général au Grand Conseil, attendu que cet argent est payé par chaque nouveau membre lors de son initiation, et devrait par conséquent se trouver entre les mains du trésorier de la Succursale ou en banque au crédit de la Succursale. Nous sommes anxieux de voir le mode actuel, pour augmenter le nombre des membres, rester en force jusqu'au mois d'Avril prochain, et nous espérons que les Succursales nous fourniront les moyens d'en agir ainsi en faisant promptement remise de ce qui est dû au Grand Conseil.

SON EXCELLENCE MGR. DOMINIQUE FALCONIO.

Nos frères de la C. M. B. A., de London, n'oublieront jamais la visite, en cette ville, dans le cours de la dernière semaine d'Avril, de Son Excellence Mgr. Dominique Falconio, Délégué Apostolique au Canada.

Vena parmi nous comme le représentant spécial de notre Saint Père le Pape Léon XIII, ce vénérable et illustre Pontife qui en plusieurs occasions a accordé sa bénédiction à notre association, et ce pour nous un grand privilège et un plaisir de voir d'offrir l'hommage et les félicitations de notre C. M. B. A., à Son Excellence, et de lui donner la bienvenue la plus cordiale.

Son Excellence Mgr. Dominique Falconio est né en 1812, à Pescostanza, Italie, et entra dans l'Ordre de St. François à l'âge de dix-huit ans. Après un brillant cours d'études, sous la direction de savants membres de son Ordre, il fut, en 1835, envoyé à l'École de l'Université de Rome. L'année suivante il fut ordonné prêtre par Sa Grandeur Mgr. Timon, Evêque de Buffalo.

En Juillet, 1836 il fut nommé à la

vice-présidence du Collège de St. Bonaventure, à Alleghany, N. Y., occupant en même temps la chaire de philosophie. Il devint successivement secrétaire de la Province Franciscaine de l'Immaculée Conception, professeur de théologie, et président du séminaire et du collège. En 1871, il fut transféré à Terrebonne, pour aider Mgr. Corfognini, O. S. F., Evêque de Havre de Grace.

Dans ces diverses charges Mgr. Falconio a gagné l'estime de tous ceux qui sont venus en contact avec lui, et lorsqu'il revint en Amérique, il y a quelques années, après un long séjour en Europe, il fut l'objet de démonstrations touchantes et sympathiques de la part de ses anciens enfants spirituels.

De 1881 à 1892 Mgr. Falconio donna ses services à son Ordre comme provincial de l'une des provinces Franciscaines en Italie. Durant le cours de cette charge il ouvrit un noviciat, fonda une maison d'études, et rétablit un nombre de couvents.

En 1888 Mgr. Falconio venait justement d'être nommé supérieur de sa province pour un deuxième terme quand le chapitre Franciscain général le choisit comme procureur général des Frères Mineurs dans les provinces réformées d'Italie. Dans cette qualité il fut plus d'une fois chargé de missions délicates par les Généraux Bernardin de Portogruaro et Louis de Parma. Il visita treize provinces de son Ordre, incitant les principes de la vie monastique et l'esprit de St. François partout où il passa.

Il était sur le point de visiter la France, en 1892, dans une mission semblable, quand le Souverain Pontife le préconisa Evêque de Lacédonia au consistoire tenu en Juillet de la même année. Le nouvel Evêque fit son entrée solennelle dans son diocèse le 2 Février 1893 et commença immédiatement à travailler au bien-être spirituel de ses ouailles. Son affabilité, unie à une grande fermeté de caractère, lui gagna bientôt de nombreux amis. Il s'attacha principalement à venir en contact direct avec ses diocésains, et dans les trois années qu'il passa à Lacédonia il visita son diocèse trois fois. Ses lettres pastorales, écrites durant ce terme furent remarquables, celle surtout traitant du respect que les Catholiques doivent à leurs prêtres.

Le Saint Père l'éleva, en 1895, aux sièges archiepiscopaux réunis d'Acerenza et Matera. Dans cette nouvelle sphère d'action plus étendue, Mgr. l'Archevêque Falconio se distinguait quand Léon XIII, l'appela encore à une plus haute dignité, celle de Délégué Apostolique au Canada.

Son Excellence est au milieu de nous depuis quelques mois seulement, et il a déjà visité plusieurs de nos villes et leurs institutions religieuses. Il réside actuellement à Ottawa.

Faute d'espace nous sommes obligés de remettre au prochain numéro plusieurs matières importantes.

LA PROVINCE DE QUEBEC
SORT DE SA LETHARGIE
RELATIVE A LA C. M. B. A.

En faisant une revue du grand travail présentement accompli par les membres de la C. M. B. A. par toute la Province, pour recruter des nouveaux membres, on nous pardonnera si nous exprimons un mot de louange spéciale à l'adresse de la bande de vaillants travailleurs de la cité de Montréal.

Depuis plusieurs années l'Exécutif réalisait que l'accroissement et l'influence de la C. M. B. A. étaient loin d'être ce qu'ils devaient être dans la grande province de Québec. Il n'y a pas à se cacher ce fait. Les rapports mensuels des initiations l'ont démontré clairement. La question était difficile à résoudre pour le Grand Conseil. Mais un changement est venu surprendre l'idée de nos rêves. Une nouvelle vie et une nouvelle vigueur ont été insufflées dans nos Succursales de la cité de Montréal. On fait montre de vitalité, de ressources internes, d'une détermination sans bornes qui ont déjà accompli beaucoup et qui promettent encore plus.

L'hiver de notre mécontentement est maintenant changé en un été brillant. Ce n'est pas seulement dans Montréal que nous constatons les effets de cette grande renaissance, mais elle passe comme la vague sur la province entière de Québec.

Ainsi nous voyons poindre une nouvelle ère — une ère brillante, heureuse et prospère — et l'avenir est gai et plein d'espérance pour la C. M. B. A. dans la bonne vieille province Catholique, et nos officiers dans Montréal méritent de nous tous nos plus profonds remerciements.

DEVOIR PASCAL.

La première chose requise d'un aspirant à l'admission dans la C. M. B. A. est la preuve qu'il est Catholique pratiquant. Quelque bon rieur qu'un aspirant puisse être physiquement, s'il n'est pas en position de démontrer qu'il est Catholique pratiquant, il est empêché de devenir membre de cette Association.

Le fait d'être un Catholique pratiquant quand quelqu'un devient membre de la C. M. B. A. n'est pas, cependant, suffisant. Pour conserver son droit de membre et participer au Fonds des bénéfices, un membre ne doit pas cesser d'être Catholique pratiquant. C'est notre engagement fondamental. Qu'aucun membre de la C. M. B. A. ne se trompe lui-même. C'est une des conditions, et la principale, d'après lesquelles une police ou certificat de participation aux bénéfices est délivré à chaque membre.

Quelques uns de nos membres qui, malheureusement, ont négligé cette condition importante pour conserver leur droit de membres, s'efforcent de se consoler en disant: "Bah! l'Associ-

ation ne peut m'exputer sans la preuve que j ne suis pas un Catholique pratiquant, et celle-ci serait difficile à faire." Pas si difficile maintenant, mon ami.

A la dernière Convention le paragraphe 56 de la Clause 210 de notre Constitution a été entièrement effacé et la clause 31 est maintenant notre seule loi concernant l'affaire. Cette Clause dit: "Toutes questions se rattachant aux qualités spirituelles des membres ou des aspirants à l'admission dans une Succursale, seront décidées par leurs Pasteurs respectifs, sauf, cependant, à en appeler à l'Evêque du diocèse dans lequel se trouve la Succursale. Et aucun, que son cure et l'Evêque refuseront de reconnaître comme Catholique pratiquant, ne pourra être admis ou retenu dans cette Association. Cette clause ne sera jamais changée ou modifiée."

Maintenant, frères, qu'il ne soit pas dit après le temps Pascal, cette année, que nous avons même un seul membre dans une Succursale de la C M B A du Canada, qui n'a pas rempli son Devoir Pascal.

CE QUE DIT DE LA C M B A. NOTRE HIERARCHIE.

Il y a d'autres sociétés qui portent le nom de Catholique, et parmi celles-ci la meilleure à mon avis est la C M B A. Elle a un but entièrement désintéressé. Le bénéfice que les membres en retirent leur est donné seulement qu'après qu'ils ont reçu leur éternelle récompense. — Mgr l'Archevêque O'Connor.

Je fais partie d'une succursale de l'Association depuis plusieurs années, et en faisant ma paroisse, un des liens les plus difficiles à rompre fut celui qui me liait à la C M B A. J'admire l'Association: je bénis l'Association. Ses méthodes ont la sanction de l'Eglise, et par conséquent elles ont droit à votre approbation et à votre confiance. L'effigie a trouvé un soulagement dans la C M B A, et la charité a été distribuée par elle. Par le paiement de petites sommes le père, le frère ou le fils deviennent membres, et quant le gagne-pain fut disparu, que la femme fut devenue veuve et que les orphelins furent abandonnés à eux-mêmes la société eut soin d'eux et les protégea. Une telle mission est véritablement noble! En outre, je considère la C M B A comme un auxiliaire de l'Eglise. Chaque succursale formée dans une paroisse est une grande aide au clergé. Le but de la société est le salut des âmes, et ainsi elle devient un instrument dans les mains de l'Eglise. — Mgr. l'Archevêque Gauthier.

J'ai un grand intérêt: dans la C M B A, j'en suis membre depuis plusieurs années et je l'ai surveillée de près. Je voulais connaître la manière d'opérer de l'Association avant d'en devenir membre: et après avoir observé ses développements et sa valeur, je suis devenu membre. J'aviserai tous ceux qui le peuvent de devenir membres de la C M B A immédiatement. L'on devient plus pénétré de l'esprit Catholique en se devenant membre. On est influencé par son contact et on obtient des avis moraux et de l'assistance dans la C M B A. M. Je souhais à la C M B A un

succès sans bornes — Mgr l'Archevêque O'Brien

Non content de condamner en particulier la Franc-maçonnerie et autres associations semblables le grand Pape va plus loin et dit —

Il a d'autres sectes, qui quoi qu'elles diffèrent par les rites, les noms, la forme, ou l'origine, cependant leur ressemblent par l'union, et pour cela ne diffèrent en rien de la Franc-maçonnerie de laquelle toutes les autres tirent leur origine ou prennent leur direction. Quoique de nos jours elles semblent agir ouvertement et tiennent leurs assemblées publiquement, cependant en les examinant de près nous constatons qu'elles retiennent encore tous les traits caractéristiques des sociétés secrètes. Maintenant nos très chers frères nous avons plusieurs de ces sociétés au milieu de nous et nous voyons avec alarme et regret que des catholiques s'enjoignent sous leurs bannières.

C'est peut-être sans réaliser le danger auquel ils s'exposent ou parcequ'ils espèrent en retirer une aide sociale ou pécuniaire qu'ils se permettent d'en devenir membres. Qu'il ne soit pas dit, comme atténuation, que ces sociétés auxquelles nous faisons allusion ne sont pas formellement condamnées par l'Eglise. Il est vrai qu'elles ne sont pas condamnées formellement, mais d'un autre côté elles ne sont pas approuvées et l'Eglise, notre mère, regarde toujours d'un oeil suspect les sociétés fraternelles qui sont hors de son contrôle. C'est pour cela que le Pape Léon XIII, glorieusement régnant, de tout cœur a béni l'Intention générale de la Ligue du Sacre Cœur pour le mois de Septembre dernier, viz: "La Lutte contre les Sociétés Secrètes". Pour la même raison nous joignons notre voix à celle du grand pontife, en exhortant tous les pasteurs de notre diocèse de s'efforcer d'éloigner de telles sociétés les fidèles dont ils ont charge. E vous bien-aimés frères laques n'oubliez pas ces loups changés en agneaux qui vous proposent de joindre ces sociétés qui n'ont pas l'approbation de l'Eglise. En d'autres termes ne donnez pas votre obm à aucune de ces sociétés qui n'a pas pour chapelain, un prêtre du Seigneur.

Nous en appelons à vous aujourd'hui avec d'autant plus de force que nous avons maintenant dans notre diocèse une société fraternelle fortement établie et possédant tous les avantages temporels que réclament les autres sociétés et qui de plus a la haute approbation de notre Sainte Mère l'Eglise. Nous voulons parler de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada. C'est notre plus vif désir que la dite Association grandisse et prospère au milieu de nous jusqu'à ce que chaque paroisse ait sa succursale. Nous recommandons aux pasteurs ces âmes d'expliquer aux novices les statuts de l'Association, et les avantages qu'elle offre. — Mgr. J. C. McDonald

ELLE EST RECOMMENDEE PAR LE SAINT PERE.

L'Association a été, dès sa fondation, sanctionnée par Sa Sainteté le Pape Léon XIII, qui l'a béniée chaque fois que l'occasion s'est présentée et la recommandée aux fidèles enfants de l'Eglise au Canada. Elle est sous le patronage spécial de la Hiérarchie, les Archevêques et Evêques qui sont empêchés par leur Age, etc., de s'occupant avec plaisir et encourageant son extension dans leurs diocèses respectifs.

Les noms des Archevêques et Evêques suivants, avec ceux de presque toutes les paroisses du Canada, en qui le droit de des Succursales sont établies, ont le rôle des membres de la C M B A

- Mgr O'Brien, Archevêque d'Halifax.
Mgr H. Gauthier, Archevêque de Kingston.
Mgr A. O'Connor, Evêque de Peterborough.
Mgr T. Dowling, Evêque de Hamilton.
Mgr M. Desjardins, Evêque de St. Hyacinthe.
Mgr J. M. Enard, Evêque de Valleyfield.
Mgr A. Pascal, Evêque de Prince Albert.
Mgr E. J. Legat, Evêque de St. Albert.
Mgr. F. P. McEay, Evêque de London.
Mgr F. V. Cloutier, Evêque des Trois Rivières.
Mgr T. F. Barry, Evêque de Chatham, N. B.

LA RECLAME DE LA C M B A.

Il n'y a pas de société fraternelle Catholique, faisant affaires dans le Dominion aujourd'hui, qui occupe un plus grande place dans le cœur des gens que noble Association. Il n'y en a pas dans laquelle la grande masse des gens ait une confiance aussi légitime et pour laquelle ils entretiennent une plus grande estime. Il n'y en a pas à laquelle la hiérarchie Catholique et le clergé du Canada accordent de telles marques d'une faveur spéciale. Il n'y a pas de société, disons nous, que les guides de l'Église Catholique soutiennent avec autant de zèle, aux rangs à l'aide et à l'encouragement de laquelle l'homme d'affaires Catholique se raille aussi généreusement. Voilà les signes, les signes qui disent notre succès, qui annoncent l'avenir glorieux que nous accomplissons et la haute distinction à laquelle nous sommes parvenus.

Nous avons à peine besoin de dire ici qu'il n'y a rien parmi nos membres qui puisse nous procurer une plus grande joie que notre nombreux rôle de prêts distingués et de membres du clergé. Ils ont surveillé notre carrière, elle leur a plu, et pour marquer leur approbation ils ont joint notre Association. Aucune de leurs paroles ne pouvait désigner un plus grand éloge que cet acte de leur part. Aussi est-ce là le chapitre de notre histoire dont nous sommes le plus fiers.

ORDRE DU JOUR

De la C M B A

N'oublions pas que vous appartenez à une association fondement catholique. Nous n'avons pu en devenir membres qu'en fournissant des preuves que nous étions catholiques pratiquants, de l'avis de nos pasteurs membres d'aucune autre société et promettant de ne pas passer aux lois de l'Eglise en ce qui concerne nos devoirs de catholiques pratiquants, sous peine de cesser d'appartenir à l'Association. La C M B A n'admet donc pas le prêt. Au contraire, si tant seulement placés sous l'égide de l'Eglise catholique, tous les membres du clergé ont droit d'entrer dans toutes les réunions de l'Association, qu'ils soient ou non membres

de la C M B A. Et la clause 103 de la constitution stipule que le curé résidant d'une paroisse dans laquelle se trouve une succursale ou sera le Directeur Spirituel, et lorsqu'il est présent à une assemblée, il est du devoir de l'Orateur qui préside de l'inviter à réviser la prière d'ouverture

APRES LES ORAISONS EN CHANT

Co sont les officiers surtout qui doivent donner l'exemple de l'assistance régulière aux séances sous peine de déstitution d'office. Le que sera mentionné. L'absence de l'un d'eux, surtout des trois précédents ou d'un autre ayant quatre pour procéder, peut causer de graves inconvénients. Les autres membres qui ont été mentionnés en charge doivent donc avoir à l'esprit de ne pas tromper la confiance des frères qui les ont élus, en n'assistant pas régulièrement aux séances de la succursale. C'est à eux plus qu'aux autres membres, qu'incombe le devoir de remplir le nombre requis pour le quorum des assemblées, et c'est pour cette raison qu'on fait l'appel du nom et prend note des absents.

Le quatre-vingt-huitième de l'Ordre du Jour qui se rapporte à la lecture du procès-verbal des assemblées, ne demande pas de commentaires.

INITIATION DES CANDIDATS ACCEPTES.

La cérémonie d'initiation, suivant le règlement, est de rigueur, sauf lorsqu'il s'agit d'un membre du clergé, lequel n'a qu'à signer le formulaire et payer sa cotisation, etc. Il ne devrait toujours donner à cette cérémonie toute la solennité possible au milieu d'un grand concours de membres.

L'initiation d'un aspirant doit avoir lieu dans l'espace d'un mois après son élection. Si manque ou néglige de se présenter pour être initié dans le délai de temps susmentionné, il perd son honoraire d'initiation et tout autre droit de devenir membre de l'Association.

L'initiation ne peut avoir lieu à la séance à laquelle un aspirant est balloté, à moins que la succursale, dans les cas d'urgence, décide, par une résolution adoptée unanimement, d'en agir ainsi. Clause 101.

Comme de raison, avant d'initier un candidat à l'admission, celui-ci doit avoir été approuvé par le médecin en chef, recommandé par une majorité des Syndics de la succursale et avoir passé avec succès par la preuve du scrutin. Les explications du Président au nouveau membre devraient toujours être complètes et claires, surtout relativement au paiement des cotisations.

Après l'initiation d'un membre le Secrétaire Archiviste ne devrait pas tarder d'envoyer au Grand Secrétaire la demande d'admission du dit membre, remplie de la façon par le blanc formulaire. Ceci, avec particulier de l'initiation.

FINIS ET BÉNÉDICTION

L'admission des aspirants est d'une importance vitale pour l'Association. Les Syndics, dont le devoir est de surveiller et de faire rapport de la moralité des candidats et s'ils sont dignes d'être admis, ont une grande responsabilité dont ils doivent avoir pleinement conscience. Leur incompétence de ne pas recommander un candidat qui est un mauvais risque au point de vue de l'assurance. Au point de vue moral, ils ne devraient pas non plus laisser entrer dans nos rangs des individus ou des hommes qui ne possèdent pas les qualités requises par la Constitution.

Aucun aspirant ne peut être ballotté avant qu'un rapport favorable à sa demande d'admission ait été présenté à la succursale de la part du Grand Secrétaire et d'une majorité du Bureau des Syndics de la succursale. Caneva 174. Les membres ont, dans ce cas-ci, le même devoir à remplir que les Syndics, et ils devraient être tout particulièrement jaloux de leur prérogative de rejeter tout aspirant qui n'est pas digne d'être un membre, bien qu'ayant été approuvé par le Médecin en chef au point de vue de l'assurance et recommandé par les Syndics au point de vue moral. Ces derniers peuvent bien ignorer certains faits connus d'autres membres de la succursale et suffisants pour rejeter le candidat. D'un autre côté, il faut éviter de se laisser guider par les préjugés ou la rancune qui pourraient nous faire voter contre un aspirant absolument digne.

Quand un aspirant a été rejeté par le vote de la succursale, avis devrait en être immédiatement transmis par le Secrétaire Archiviste au Grand Secrétaire. Cause 174.

A CONTINUER.

LA SUCCURSALE NO. 232. DE MONTREAL.

Une grande réunion des membres de la Succursale No. 232 et de leurs amis, a eu lieu le lundi de Pâques au soir dans la salle du Conservatoire Beaman. Il y avait au-delà de soixante et quinze couples qui prirent part au dîner et à un *Progressive Euchre*, et chacun des personnes présentes s'amusa à cœur joie.

L'arrangement fut des plus parfaits, et les officiers de la succursale méritent des félicitations pour la manière avec laquelle ils s'acquittent de leur tâche. Toute l'attention voulue fut donnée aux nombreux amis de la succursale, et ceux-ci eurent que des éloges à faire de la courtoisie des membres du comité.

La partie de *Euchre*, commença vers les huit heures et quart, se termina à onze heures et demie, après qu'on eut joué quatorze parties en tout. Il y eut beaucoup d'entrain, occasionnellement cette partie fut gagnée par quelques prix destinés aux heureux vainqueurs et qui leur furent présentés par les Grands Juges, J. J. Costigan et J. H. Feeley. Les caractères T. P. Tansy et T. A. ... et le président de la succursale, T. R. Cowan.

Après la distribution des prix on amonagea la salle pour un goûter auquel tous les assistants prirent part, puis chacun se retourna se promettant bien d'assister au prochain Soir de la Succursale No. 232.

LA SUCCURSALE NO 57.

Mercrdis, le 4 Avril dernier, avait lieu à la salle Drouin, 1-42 rue Sainte-Catherine, une assemblée dont les membres présents se souviendront longtemps. Dix sept nouveaux aspirants eurent l'honneur d'être initiés par le Grand Président de l'Association, l'hon. M. J. Hackett, qui se fait rendre spécialement, ainsi que le médecin examinateur en chef, Dr. E. Ryan, pour cette circonstance.

Nous des nouveaux membres: Turcotte, C. H. F. Chertier, A. Therrier, Wilf Desjardins, J. A. ... Emile Dege, Alfred Godin, ... Leroux, Ernest Valiquette, ... Antoinette, Geor. Pineault, ... La-belle, G. F. Lalonde, Ern. Brethlau-me, Eug. Roy, Eug. Godin, Ez. Hilon

étaient aussi présents les messieurs suivants: Grand député A. H. Spedding; grand député A. B. Pottevin; grand député Chs. Fortier; grand député Geo. Carpenter; ex-grand député Chs. Daudelin, J. Coffe, Ernest Therrien, T. P. Tansy, etc., etc.

Ayant terminé l'ordre du jour, le président de la Succursale, M. Jos. Boland, invita l'hon. M. Hackett à adresser la parole.

Après avoir prononcé quelques mots dans un français de la plus grande pureté, le Grand Président demanda la permission de continuer dans sa langue maternelle et fit alors un magistral discours d'au delà d'une heure sur la mutualité en général et la C. M. B. A. en particulier. Nous voudrions pouvoir publier ce discours en entier, cela ferait augmenter rapidement, nous en sommes certains, le nombre des membres de cette belle Association, qui en compte maintenant plus de 11,000.

L'hon. M. Hackett prouva, avec la plus grande facilité et par des arguments irréfutables, qu'elle était absolument sûre et avantageuse. L'hon. M. Hackett termina en engageant tous les membres à solliciter leurs amis, afin qu'ils profitent du concours qui a lieu actuellement pour venir s'enrôler sous la belle bannière de la C. M. B. A.

M. le Dr. E. Ryan, médecin en chef de l'Association, adressa ensuite des remerciements à la succursale pour le grand zèle qu'elle avait montré depuis le commencement du concours et termina par quelques paroles bien senties qui surent charmer son auditoire.

Après un vote de remerciements aux distingués visiteurs proposés par le confrère Picard et seconde par le confrère Les Martineau, l'on termina cette belle séance par la prière de clôture.

M. Charlier, membre de la Succursale 232, termina la soirée en entonnant à pleine voix deux jolies chansons composées spécialement par lui-même pour la C. M. B. A. et aux refrains desquelles tous les membres firent chorus.

APPEL.

Tilbury, Ont., 2. Mars, 1900.

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

Frères—La Succursale No. 57 de la C. M. B. A., établie à Tilbury, Ont., croit urgent de faire appel aux Succursales sœurs en faveur de Frère William Campbell, sérieusement malade depuis une dizaine d'années. Il réside dans notre localité depuis 23 ans et toujours il a travaillé courageusement pour tâcher de gagner sa vie. Malheureusement, l'automne dernier il fut pris de consommation, cause par le surcroît de travail et le fait qu'il fut exposé à tous les temps.

Il est à tellement incapable de vaquer à aucun travail et dans une condition financière des plus précaires. Ses voisins et les membres de notre Succursale l'ont assisté autant qu'ils ont pu. Il n'a aucuns moyens de subsistance, ne posséder rien qu'il pourrait convertir en argent, et à moins d'obtenir de l'assistance des frères de la C. M. B. A. il va se trouver, avec sa femme et ses enfants, vraiment dans un grand dénûment. Son cas est certainement pitoyable et si jamais apparaît digne c'est bien celui de Frère Campbell.

Les membres de la Succursale No. 57 ont répondu à chaque appel et nous espérons et prions pour que cet appel soit permis et que nos Succur-

sales sœurs viennent en aide à Frère Campbell à cette heure de besoin.

Nous demeurons,
Fraternellement à vous,
SAMUEL MATHES, Prs.
T. J. BELANGER Sec. Arch.

La présente est pour certifier que Frère Campbell est grandement en besoin d'aide, que j'approuve cet appel et espère qu'il recevra l'approbation du Grand Président et du Bureau des Syndics, et que l'association y répondra comme il le mérite.

P. LANGLOIS, Prs., Curé,
Tilbury, Ont.

P. S.—Prière d'envoyer toutes contributions au Rev. P. Langlois, Prs., Curé, Tilbury, Ont.

London, Ont., 16 Avril, 1900.
T. J. BELANGER, Ecr.

Sec. Arch. Suc. No. 50, C. M. B. A.,
Tilbury, Ont.

Cher Monsieur et Frère—L'appel de votre Succursale en faveur de Frère William Campbell est permis par le Grand Président et le Bureau des Syndics.

Fraternellement à vous,
SAMUEL R. BROWN,
Grand Secrétaire.

LE FEU DE HULL.

Nous regrettons d'apprendre que nos frères de la C. M. B. A. ont subi une très grande perte dans les biens de Hull et d'Ottawa.

La Succursale No. 68 de Hull, comptant 15 membres et dont ils ont perdu tout ce qu'ils avaient. Trente deux membres de la succursale No. 28, d'Ottawa, ont aussi passé au feu et un nombre des membres de la succursale No. 13, d'Ottawa, ont aussi subi une grande perte.



SOUS L'ACTE DES ASSURANCES.

Chapitre 14 des Statuts Révisés du Canada tel qu'amendé.

Ottawa, 31 Mars, 1900.

LE CERTIFICAT D'ENREGISTREMENT NOUS a été communiqué par le Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada. L'ordonnance relative des conditions d'assurance en vertu de la vie sur le plan des Conditions dans la Province du Canada, est par le présent renvoyée jusqu'au Trente et l'un, jour de Mars, 1900.

J. M. COURTNEY,
Député Ministre des Finances,
W. F. O'NEILL,
Surintendant des Assurances.



DEPT. DES ASSURANCES, ONTARIO.

NO. 71.

CERTIFICAT D'ENREGISTREMENT COMME COMPAGNIE D'ASSURANCE.

Attendu que par l'application du Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada, faite en conformité de l'Acte des Corporations d'Assurance 1892 et des Actes Amendés, il a été démontré au sous-secrétaire Inspecteur des assurances pour la Province d'Ontario, que le dit applicant a droit d'être enregistré comme une Compagnie d'Assurance.

A CES CAUSES, LE PRESENT EST POUR CERTIFIER que la dite Compagnie est en conséquence enregistrée pour faire des opérations d'Assurance sur la vie sur le plan des Conditions dans la Province d'Ontario, pour le terme commençant le premier jour de Mars, 1900, et jusqu'au trentième jour d'Avril, 1900, et sous aux dispositions des Actes susmentionnés.

J. HOWARD HENNER,
Entré sur le Registre des Licences d'Assurance No. 1441 le 14/3/00.

WILL. LAVAL,
Commissaire d'Entrée.

RESOLUTIONS DE CONDOLEANCES.

A la séance régulière du 4 Avril dernier, de la Succursale No. 101 de Nicolet, P. Q., les résolutions suivantes ont été adoptées:

Proposé par frère W. Camirand, secondé par frère Dr. Desjéts, que les plus sincères condoléances des frères de cette Succursale soient offertes au frère Z. A. Langlois pour le malheur qui vient de le frapper dans ses sentiments les plus chers, par la perte de son épouse bien-aimée, qui par ses hautes vertus et ses brillantes qualités d'un cœur et de l'esprit avait su acquiescer une haute considération dans les cercles de la société Nicoletaise. Et que copie de la présente résolution soit adressée à la famille de la défunte et au CANADIEN pour publication.

Proposé par frère W. Camirand, secondé par frère Dr. Desjéts, que les membres de cette succursale ont appris avec infiniment de regret le décès du fils aîné du frère Dr. Cloutier, notre digne Président, et offrant à la famille éplorée leurs plus sincères condoléances.

A une assemblée, tenue par la Succursale No. 219 à la suite unanimement résolu d'offrir au vote de condoléances à la famille de feu Antoine Verrault, décédé le 2 Mars, après quelques heures seulement de maladie.

A la séance du 21 Mars, de la Succursale No. 57, il fut proposé par les frères Joseph Marois et E. Martineau, que les membres de cette Succursale ont appris avec chagrin la mort de frère Augustin Forget dit Dupatie et en sont profondément affectés.

Proposé par les frères S. Picard et J. E. Bourreau, que la famille, en ce jour de deuil, veuille accepter les condoléances et sympathies des membres de cette Succursale.

Et que la charte soit convertie de draperies de deuil pendant un mois.

A l'occasion de la mort de l'épouse bien-aimée de frère Edmund Marin, de la Succursale No. 57, il fut proposé par les frères S. Picard et Joseph Marois, et résolu: Que c'est avec regret que les membres de cette Succursale ont appris la mort de Madame Marin.

Proposé par les frères J. E. Dupont et Jos. Bourreau, que les membres offrent au frère Marin, ainsi qu'à sa famille l'expression de leurs plus sincères sympathies en cette occasion de deuil, et que copie de ces condoléances soient transmises aux familles et l'organe officiel LE CANADIEN pour être publiées.

A une assemblée régulière de la Succursale No. 71 de Belle-Rivière, les résolutions suivantes furent unanimement adoptées:

Que les membres de cette Succursale viennent d'apprendre avec une grande douleur la mort de Marie Antailla, épouse bien-aimée de notre estimable frère J. N. Antailla.

Que nous, les membres de cette Succursale, présentons à Marie Antailla de vouloir bien accepter nos sincères sympathies dans le grand malheur qui vient de le frapper.

Résolu de plus que copies de ces présentes résolutions soient transmises à frère Antailla et au CANADIEN pour publication.

A une assemblée régulière de la Succursale No. 231, St. David de l'Auberivière, tenue le 7 Avril, 1900.

Il fut proposé par frère C. N. Veilleux, secondé par frère W. Walsh, et résolu: Que les membres de cette Succursale ont appris avec douleur la mort de Apolline Morency, épouse de frère Cyprien Lamontagne, membre de cette Succursale. Qu'il veuille bien accepter les condoléances et les meilleures sympathies de tous les membres dans la perte qu'il vient de subir.

Que copie de cette résolution soit transmise à frère Cyprien Lamontagne et insérée dans les minutes de cette séance et aussi que copie soit publiée dans le journal officiel LE CANADIEN.

A une assemblée régulière de la Succursale No. 261, tenue le 7 d'Avril, 1900, la résolution suivante a été adoptée:

Proposé par frère Thos. L. Gallant appuyé par frère Eugène Theriault, et résolu: Que les membres de cette Succursale ont appris avec douleur la mort de Placide J. Gallant, frère de leur C. M. B. Officier de l'Académie Gallant. Qu'il veuille bien accepter les condoléances et les meilleures sympathies de tous les membres de cette Succursale dans la perte qu'il vient de faire.

Que copie de la présente résolution soit transmise à frère Placide J. Gallant et insérée dans le procès verbal de cette séance et aussi publiée dans le journal officiel LE CANADIEN ainsi que dans Le Moniteur Acadicien.