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Catholic Knights

OF AMERICA

Is composed of 29 active Branches located in different sections of this State, all of whom have for this New Year an intelligent and progressive Board of Officers, whose aim and desire is to increase the membership and advance the general prosperity of the Order.

◇ PENNSYLVANIA ◇

STATE COUNCIL,

Catholic Knights of America.

Spiritual Director, **REV. B. A. CONWAY,**
48th and Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia.

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THE CATHOLIC KNIGHTS OF AMERICA.

ORGANIZATION AND OBJECT.

The Catholic Knights of America is a Fraternal Insurance Association, instituted at Nashville, Tenn., in 1879, and Incorporated April, 1880. Its object is to unite fraternally all acceptable Catholics of every profession, business and occupation, to give all possible moral and material aid in its power to members of the Order, by encouraging each other in business, and by assisting each other to obtain employment. To establish and maintain a benefit fund from which a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars shall be paid at the death of each member to his family or be disposed of as he may direct, provided he is a full rate member, and a sum of one thousand dollars if a half-rate member, and a sum five hundred dollars if a quarter-rate member.

In addition to the insurance feature of our Order, members sick or in distress will receive visits, consolation and material relief if necessary from their brother members.

WHAT IT HAS DONE.

Organized at Nashville, Tenn., by J. J. McLaughlin, now deceased, in 1879, and Incorporated April 1, 1880,

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| with members, | 9 |
| Membership January 1, 1895, | 23,668 |
| Number of Branches January 1, 1891, | 518 |
| Number of Branches Chartered February, 1895, | 733 |
| Death Benefits paid 1890, | \$520,026 67 |
| Death Benefits paid 1894, | \$563,500 00 |
| Death Benefits paid since date of Organi- zation to February, 1895, | \$5,920,613 33 |
| Amount realized from 1 assessment about, | \$17,000 00 |
| Number of Assessments since organization, | 482 |
| Highest number Assessments in 1 year, | 42 |
| Lowest number Assessments in 1 year, | 1 |
| Average number of Assessments per year since organization, | 32 |
| Amount in Sinking Fund January, 1890, | \$111,470 87 |
| Amount in Sinking Fund January, 1894, | \$214,689 52 |
| Amount in Sinking Fund January, 1895, | \$268,402 50 |

PROMPTNESS OF PAYMENT.

Upon the death of a member in good standing the Secretary of the Branch at once, upon the notification of the death, forwards to the Supreme Secretary satisfactory proof of such death. Upon receipt of this notice the

Supreme Secretary draws an order on the Supreme Treasurer in favor of the person or persons named by the deceased in his Benefit Certificate for the amount due, and forwards it to the Treasurer of the Branch of which the deceased was a member. The Secretary of the Branch at once notifies the Beneficiaries to come to the next regular meeting, and there pays it to them upon the surrender of the Benefit Certificate.

The payment of the Insurance is made as soon as the above requirements are complied with, which takes from 50 to 80 days, and it is expected that in a very short time that arrangements will be perfected whereby payments will be made inside of 50 days. The Supreme Officers are making all exertions to accomplish this result.

There is a new and vigorous growth in the Order now and its motto is "forward and upward."

SECURITY AGAINST MISFORTUNE.

The law provides that a Benefit or rather a National Sinking Fund be established and maintained for an emergency such as an epidemic, &c., when this fund, which now amounts to nearly \$270,000.00, may be made available for such an unfortunate event, which we trust may never occur. At our present rate of increase of membership it will not be many years until our Sinking Fund, which increased \$54,000.00 last year, reaches the

grand sum of One Million Dollars, and as we advance to that amount and as we get nearer to it, Catholics who have halted will be more anxious to come with us.

Our present National Officers are admirably suited for the positions they each fill and as they are daily putting the Catholic Knights in a more solid and forward position it will not be very long when we will be at the top, as the leading and safest of all fraternal life insurance associations. It of course remains with each member to aid in reaching that glorious zenith, and if each member would secure but one new member during this new year we would, by the first of January next, have reached our goal. You can secure that one new member—but will you do it?—you know you should—you owe it as your duty.

RATES OF ASSESSMENTS.

Between the ages of

| | | | |
|------------------|-------|------------------|--------|
| 18 and 25 years, | \$ 70 | 45 and 46 years, | \$1 05 |
| 25 " 30 " | 75 | 46 " 47 " | 1 10 |
| 30 " 35 " | 80 | 47 " 48 " | 1 15 |
| 35 " 40 " | 90 | 48 " 49 " | 1 20 |
| 40 " 45 " | 1 00 | 49 " 50 " | 1 25 |

Keep this before you so you are posted.

COST TO JOIN.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Admission Fee, | \$3 00 |
| Medical Examination, | 2 00 |
| Benefit Certificate, | 50 |
| Supreme Medical Examiner, | 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$6 00 |

Probable Annual Cost for \$2000, to a man
35 to 40 years based on average since the
Order was organized in 1879.

\$32.74 average per year for the last fifteen years.
Should a man insure at 40 years and live
until he was 80 years of age, he would only
pay in \$1300.00 in 40 years, and yet his family would
secure \$2000, whether he lived one day after being in-
sured or whether he lived 40 years thereafter, also con-
sider the small easy payments you make.

EASY PAYMENTS.

Members are regularly notified of each assessment by
the Secretary of each Branch, and thirty days from date
of notice are allowed in which to pay such assessment,
thus giving every member of whatever means or station
of life, ample time to provide for payment. Should you
belong to an old line company your payment would have
to be made in one lump, say to a man of 40 years he
would pay in the neighborhood of \$55.00 in one pay-
ment for a two thousand dollar insurance. Consider
that, and think of our easy payments.

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN.

The Catholic who does not belong to a great Brotherhood like the C. K. of A. is not in accordance with the spirit of the age, nor in harmony with our idea of Catholic fraternalization. In union there is strength. Every man needs protection for his family in case of sudden death, and the father is very derelict who fails in this important duty. The CATHOLIC KNIGHTS OF AMERICA offers the opportunity to unite in one grand Brotherhood and will supply financial protection at the lowest possible cost. They have no high salaried officers; they pay no agents; they have no dividends to pay stockholders, but they have a glorious future. Now get your Catholic friends to be with us.

WHY WE WILL SUCCEED.

We are founded for a benevolent and fraternal purpose and supported by the Catholic Church. We have the commendation and blessing of our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIII, as well as all the Archbishops of the United States.

We have never deviated from the course we started for.

Our business policy is both progressive and yet conservative, and our expenses of management are exceedingly low and wise. We use great care in selecting our members and officers, and our authorized doctors are efficient, careful and prudent.

We have always fulfilled every fraternal and financial obligation promptly and without quiver or murmur.

WE PROVIDE all the social enjoyments and family gatherings of a great society in a becoming manner at a moderate expense.

All the financial protection of a powerful life insurance corporation without unnecessary accumulation of capital.

Sympathy and aid to the members while living, and to his bereaved family in securing for them every just claim in the shortest possible time.

Read this over to your intended new candidate. You will get him if you try.

IF

Congress has adjourned. Spring has come. The outlook for a revival of business is growing brighter every day. Capital is gaining courage, and thousands of enterprising men are reaching out with eager hands to grasp, for themselves and for those dependent upon them, some of the profits that come with business activity. Is the grasp to be effectual or ineffectual? From the seed they are now sowing, thousands of men will reap a harvest before other days of depression dawn—if they live! “*If they live!*” The “if” is a momentous one. But the interest of families in this harvest can be protected NOW by life assurance, or

neglected by procrastination. The alternatives are before *you*. Which will you choose?

He who helps his fellow men in the great battle of life reaps the greatest rewards, while he who lives for himself alone knows nothing of the real pleasure of life. The vain endeavor to live for one's self dwarfs the heart, dries up every feeling of tenderness, and shrivels up all that is lovely in character. Work while you can for the interests of our great brotherhood, and in doing so you will reap the reward.

Fraternity, coupled with the benefits for the families of deceased brothers, and which are made to come within the reach of men of moderate means is the boon of these modern times, aye! the helpmeet of mankind, giving him courage and confidence to struggle for the daily comforts, necessities, and luxuries as well, with a full confidence of the future of his loved ones should the scythe of time and circumstances overtake him.

“No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of it for any one else.”—*Dickens*.

THE LAND OF “PRETTY SOON.”

“*Three things come not back:*

The sped arrow,

The stoken word,

The neglected opportunity.”

I know a land were the streets are paved
 With the things which we meant to achieve.
It is walled with money we meant to have saved,
 And the pleasures for which we grieve.
The kind words unspoken, the promises broken,
 And many a coveted boon
Are stowed away there in that land somewhere—
 The land of "Pretty Soon."

There are uncut jewels of possible fame
 Lying about in the dust,
And many a noble and lofty aim
 Covered with mould and rust.
And, oh, this place, while it seems so near,
 Is farther away than the moon.
Though our purpose is fair, yet we never get there—
 To the land of "Pretty Soon."

The road that leads to that mystic land
 Is strewn with pitiful wrecks,
And the ships that have sailed for its shining strand
 Bear skeletons on their decks.
It is farther at noon than it was at dawn,
 And farther at night than at noon.
Oh, let us beware of that land down there—
 The land of "Pretty Soon."

—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*

There are men who are making money fast,
And hope to amass great wealth.
They forget that good health will not always last,
And that age creeps on with stealth.
To protect their wives—they'll insure their live—
"To-morrow" or "Some day soon ;"
But ere they're prepared, their health is impaired,
And they can't be insured—"Pretty Soon."

COMPARATIVE COST.

The expense of policies in "old line" insurance companies remains the same, whether the mortality rate of the country runs high or low. It is based upon a high mortality rate and a liberal estimate for salaries of officers and dividends for stockholders. Assessment companies, pure and simple, having no dividends to pay and salaries only according to work done, furnish life insurance at absolute cost and this necessarily fluctuates as the mortality is high or low. During the three years ending December 31, 1893, the mortality rate was very high, owing to the ravages of the influenza, or as it is commonly called the "grippe." So the comparison given below, embracing these three years and the preceeding three years in the average yearly cost of insurance in the C. K. of A. with the regular yearly cost in a representative old line company, is more than

usually favorable to the latter. In other words, a comparison instituted at the end of the current six years would show a greater difference in the cost:

| Age. | N. Y. Mutual. | C. K. of A. |
|------|---------------|-------------|
| 25 | \$20.20 | \$12.75 |
| 26 | 21.00 | 12.75 |
| 27 | 21.50 | 12.75 |
| 28 | 22.10 | 12.75 |
| 29 | 22.70 | 12.75 |
| 30 | 23.30 | 13.60 |
| 31 | 24.00 | 13.60 |
| 32 | 24.70 | 13.60 |
| 33 | 25.50 | 13.60 |
| 34 | 26.30 | 13.60 |
| 35 | 27.10 | 15.30 |
| 36 | 28.00 | 15.30 |
| 37 | 29.00 | 15.30 |
| 38 | 30.00 | 15.30 |
| 39 | 31.10 | 15.30 |
| 40 | 32.20 | 17.00 |
| 41 | 33.40 | 17.00 |
| 42 | 34.70 | 17.00 |
| 43 | 36.10 | 17.00 |
| 44 | 37.50 | 17.00 |
| 45 | 39.10 | 17.85 |
| 46 | 40.70 | 18.70 |
| 47 | 42.50 | 19.55 |
| 48 | 44.40 | 20.40 |
| 49 | 46.40 | 21.25 |

SWEETNESS.

Do not keep the alabaster boxes of your love and tenderness sealed up until your friends are dead, but fill their lives with sweetness. Speak approving and cheering words while their ears can hear them, and while their hearts can be thrilled and made happier by them. The kind things you will say after they are gone, say before they go. The flowers you mean to send for their coffins, bestow now and so brighten and sweeten their homes before they leave them.

If friends have alabaster boxes laid away full of fragrant perfumes, of sympathy and affection, which they intend to break over a dead body, we would rather they would bring them now in our weary and troubled hours, and open them, that we may be refreshed and cheered, while we need them and can enjoy them. We would rather have a plain coffin without a flower, and a funeral without an eulogy, than a life without the sweetness of love and sympathy. Let us learn to anoint our friends beforehand for their burial.

Post-mortem kindness cannot cheer the burdened spirit. Flowers on the coffin shed no fragrance backward over the weary way by which the loved ones have traveled.

Sweetness pure and unadulterated is to provide for those after you are gone—then why not be a Catholic Knight ?

ABSENTEE-ISM.

How best to increase the average attendance at Branch meetings is a subject of much importance. It has provoked thought and discussion in every Order and Society that provides for stated meetings of its members. Much will be said upon it from time to time in the hope of lessening the evil of absentee-ism. Just what share of responsibility for this evil belongs to the Branch is not always easy to determine, but the efforts to find it promotes good in proportion to the thoroughness of the investigation. For the present the main subject is reserved and a few points herewith presented for the consideration of the habitual absentees.

There are a few (a *very* few) members in every Branch who find it impossible to attend meetings, and this is no reflection upon their standing as members ready and willing to perform their full duty to the Order. But there are many—far too many—who persistently absent themselves from meetings without a shadow of excuse. Brother Knight, if you are classed in this list give the matter of your individual relation to the Order your earnest and honest consideration at least while you read these sentences.

When you were initiated into the Order you gave your solemn promise to "always, according to your power and the spirit of our Order, promote by word and example, the glory of God and the extension of the order and as much as lay in your power, attend the Branch meetings." You can if you will.

INDIVIDUAL EFFORT.

Attention has often been called to what would be a grand result for the Order if every member should secure one recruit, but the subject is just as often dismissed with the intimation that the project is an impossible one. But why impossible? Is there a single member of the Order, anywhere, who cannot with his best efforts induce one person to join the Order inside of twelve months? An affirmative answer to that question would be a mortifying reflection upon the character of the Brotherhood, and it cannot be accepted as true.

The real difficulty in the way is that there is no concert of action and there cannot be none without a great deal of effort. Hard work is what is required—a plenty of it and a persistence in it until the desired result is accomplished. Let every Branch president place this matter before his Branch, not in a half-hearted or perfunctory way, but as if his whole heart and soul were enlisted in the undertaking. Map out the work systematically and let the determination to succeed be

apparent at every step. If the Branch is a large one, it might be well to divide it into sections and even into sub-sections, each under the management of a competent chairman, so that the work may be restricted into available channels and all interference and clashing of efforts avoided.

Twelve months diligent, intelligent work on this line would produce results far beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. These results would include benefits other and better than mere increase of membership. Where there are no laggards and where every member is an earnest worker Branch unity, is promoted, discipline is preserved, interest is aroused and maintained, the esprit de corps is quickened and harmony and enthusiasm take the place of indifference and the friction of little jealousies. Thus will be plainly demonstrated the advantages to the Branch when membership is increased by this method rather than by the exertions of a few.

A STUBBORN FACT.

The sworn reports of Mutual Insurance Organizations made to the Insurance Commissioners of the State of New York, show that the affairs of the C. K. of A. are most economically administered. Compared with similar organizations the expense account ranks among

the lowest per cent. on the amount of business transacted. This is, and should be gratifying to every member of the Order. It should also be an incentive to every member to do something during the coming year towards increasing our membership. This, and this alone, supplemented by *good* local medical examination, will keep down the number of your assessments, and this will, if successfully persisted in, eventually lower them to twenty-eight or even a less number per annum.

To gain new members *you must compete* with neighbors. Some Assessment organizations pay \$25, \$50, and others \$90 for instituting a new Council. *It pays to do it.*

Complaint about the expense of the management should only be made after full scrutiny of every item of expenditure. A thorough investigation sometimes alters pre-conceived opinions.

Resolve to get one new member during the next six months. Pick out a man worthy to be a Catholic Knight, reason with him, keep at him, and show him how little it will cost him even if he only wants a \$500.00 Insurance.

Remember if every member gets but one new member your assessments will be one-third less. Pick your man; urge, reason and keep at him, and you must succeed. Are you with us? You know you should be. Why shirk?

COME TO STAY.

Assessment life insurance has passed its period of infancy. It has withstood the attacks of rivals and enemies. It has made its place in the confidence of the public. Men who have followed its course for the last decade, know the difficulties it has overcome, and the triumphs which it has won. There is no section of the land where it does not hold in trust, the future of homes, the education and training of the children of the people. It is bound fast to the hearts of the masses, and it is little short of a crime to suggest that this system, the creation of the people, and the protector of the wives and children of the land, is to be swept out of existence to the end that the life insurance of our people is to be turned over to companies that, whatever their triumphs and attainments, were never in their essence and their purpose more happily described, than in the words, "Masters of the Field." Against these are pitted, and will remain pitted, the assessment organizations, the protectors of the people.

Here is an item of interest to all thinking men. Forty "old line" companies have paid out \$600,000,000.00 in life insurance. During the same time, that is from the date of the inception of the companies up to the hour of going to press, they have received from the dear public \$2,500,000,000.00 in premiums. To be

sure, the expenses of the old liners are very heavy, but it seems to us that \$1,800,000,000.00 is rather a large margin. Who paid this, and who gets the benefit of it you may figure out for yourself.

THE OLD CATCH PHRASE.

The old catch phrase of "having to die to win" in life insurance is as false as it is foolish. You "win" the very minute you are initiated into the Order and get your benefit certificate. You win protection for your family. You win the approval of your own conscience for having done your duty to the loved ones who depend upon you. You win a standing in your parish which you did not possess before. Any one of these "winnings" is infinitely greater than can be estimated by mere measurement of cost.

The man who delays protecting his family by insuring his life until some fatal disease or accident occurs has discovered the exact locality of the fine line that divides the "late" from the "too late." The great trouble with many is that the discovery comes at a time when the knowledge has ceased to be valuable.

ARE INSURANCE COMPANIES SAFE.

In the State of New York, from 1859 to 1883, there were 91 regular insurance companies. Of this number 61 have failed, equal to 67 per cent. In Great Britain,

out of 265 regular insurance companies, 180 have failed, equal to 68 per cent. Two banks in the United States fail daily. Of all the regular fraternal Societies, unlimited in membership, paying \$1000 or more, *not one has failed*

“STANDING STILL IS RETROGRESSION.”

All eligible Catholic men should connect themselves with a society like the C. K. of A., especially with a Branch that is alive, progressive, and ready to adopt itself to the pleasant, entertaining and educating tendencies of the day. Members should think for themselves, the needs and faults (if any) of our Order; attend and in their own way give their views and ideas, and after a few efforts they will be surprised how well they succeeded and the good they accomplished. Come sit with us, speak to us, make yourself known, trade with one another, share our ups and downs, such action augurs perfect American Knighthood. Bring that new member if you want rest.

TIME AND TIDE WAIT FOR NO MAN.

Your Branch has members whose sons are of age to be one of us. What is more elevating and inspiring than father and son coming together to our meetings and thus setting a commendable example.

Young blood is wanted and goes far to make a society prosperous, besides they insure at low rates in a sound well conducted association of Catholics, which has the endorsement of every Archbishop of this country.

A young man joining us at from 18 to 25 years, makes a prudent and wise move, for if he lived 50 years and was a continuous member he would pay in at full rate about thirteen hundred dollars, and in event of death, 1 minute after with us or 50 years thereafter, his heirs would receive two thousand dollars. Fathers, talk this matter over with your sons.

A WIDOWS TRIBUTE.

The following letter to the secretary of one of the successful Branches in Philadelphia needs no comment, but tells its own story.

PHILADELPHIA,——

Mr.——

Secretary of Branch——C. K. of A.

MY DEAR SIR :

Gratitude alone prompts me to write you these few lines. My husband when first approached by Mr.—— of your Branch to join the Catholic Knights, was very indifferent, in fact, thought so little of the matter that he did not even mention it to me. Some few months after by invitation of Mr.—— we attended

a re-union given by your Branch which was a very enjoyable evening for both of us, and on our way home my husband said that he would not mind becoming a member on account of the class of men with whom he would be associated, he being so pleased with those he met at the entertainment. The thought of insurance was not as much in his mind at the time as the pleasant association and social features which he anticipated in his membership. He became a Catholic Knight at a full rate as you are aware. At the time he was in the best of health and had a salary which was ample to keep me and the children comfortably, when, as you are aware, but seven months in the society he was suddenly taken away and I was left a widow with five children, the oldest being a girl of sixteen years. While he had as I said before a sufficient salary to support us, he had been unable to put any money away, and I was left with hardly enough to pay his funeral expenses. In less than three months his insurance money was paid to me. Oh, what a God send it was to receive that check for \$2,000.00. I had nothing at all then; in fact was in debt to keep my family, and possibly would not have got the credit I did, were it not that it was known that the money was coming to me from the Catholic Knights. When I received the money and paid what I owed we were at a loss to know how best to use the money so as

to gain a living from it. My oldest daughter who had been in a dry good store for over six months suggested that with her experience we might start a little dry good and trimming store. I took her advise and now at the end of a little over two years I can say that we have lived comfortably, the children have been going regularly to school and we have saved a couple of hundred dollars in addition. Our family has been kept together, and our business is increasing all the time, the children are growing up and my second oldest child a boy is bringing in his salary to me every Saturday. I thank God that there is such a society as the Catholic Knights, and I especially thank Mr.—— for his persisting in having my husband become a member.

I would also appeal to every Catholic wife to urge upon her husband to join your noble society, the Catholic Knights of America, so that provisions would be made for her in case of his being stricken down as my husband was. I shall keep urging upon my two sons that they join the Knights when they are old enough to do so.

Very respectfully yours,

HOLD ON.

HOLD ON to your Insurance in the Catholic Knights, 'tis valuable, but not expensive.

HOLD ON to your tongue when you are ready to swear, or speak harshly or use any improper word.

HOLD ON to your hand when you are about to strike, or do any wrong.

HOLD ON to your friends in our Order, show them you appreciate their friendship.

HOLD ON to your temper when you are angry, excited or imposed upon, or others are angry about you.

HOLD ON to your virtue, it is above all price to you at all times and in all places.

HOLD ON to an eligible Catholic for our Order, persevere and he will hold on too.

HOLD ON to your character for it is now and ever will be your best wealth.

HOLD ON to your good name at all times, for it is much more valuable than gold, high places or fashionable attire

HOLD ON to the truth for it will serve you well, and do you good throughout eternity.

HOLD ON to good Branch officers, help and encourage them, but rid yourself quickly of those incompetent or lazy.

HOLD ON to a worthy and honest delinquent, visit and assist him, and with his efforts retain him in our ranks.

RECAPITULATION

From the foregoing pages the history of the Catholic Knights of America since its inception more than 15 years ago demonstrates that :

(1.) Fraternal organizations conducted on broad and yet safe principles are the noblest institutions that man has yet provided.

(2.) That among fraternal orders, the C. K. of A. ranks foremost.

(3.) That with its remarkable growth, its record shows that its members appreciate its management, integrity and fraternity, as its loss of members by withdrawals or delinquencies is small.

(4.) That by experience, wisdom and equity, the C. K. of A. places before you an opportunity to join an institution where you have all to gain and nothing to lose.

“QUERY.” With this safe reliable, economical and convenient mode of providing for dependent loved ones, is any good, healthy Catholic justified in refusing to avail himself of the advantages of the Catholic Knights of America?

“REPLY.” We think not, and if this belief is shared by you, we cordially invite you to unite with us and to allow your name to be presented to the Branch that is alive and active and convenient to you, and so help along a noble institution and at the same time offer safe protection to your wife and family.—Now act quick.

SUPREME OFFICERS.

From July 1, 1893, to July 1, 1895.

MOST REV. W. A. GROSS, D. D., Supreme Spiritual Director, Portland, Oregon.

HON. M. T. SHINE, Supreme President, Covington, Ky.

CHARLES E. HANNAUER, Supreme Vice President, St. Louis, Mo.

W. S. O'ROURKE, Supreme Secretary, Fort Wayne, Ind.

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HON. E. D. MCGUINNESS, Supreme Trustee, Providence, R. I.

RICHARD WALSH, ESQ., Supreme Trustee, 10th and Olive Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

J. C. CARROLL, ESQ., Supreme Trustee, Norfolk, Va.

JAMES A. AVERDICK, M. D., Supreme Med. Examiner, Cor. 8th and Blackwell Streets, Covington, Ky.

Pennsylvania Supreme Delegates to Omaha Convention, May, 1895.

WILLIAM EARLEY, Philadelphia, Pa.

J. C. PURCELL, Pottsville, Pa.

EPISCOPAL APPROVAL.

The following Prelates of the United States have not only approved and recommended the Catholic Knights of America, but are also members :

Most Rev. P. J. Ryan, D. D., Archbishop of Philadelphia, Pa.

Most Rev. W. A. Gross, D. D., Archbishop of Portland, Oregon.

Most Rev. P. W. Riordan, D. D., Archbishop of San Francisco, Cal.

Most Rev. Francis Janssens, D. D., Archbishop of New Orleans, La.

Most Rev. M. A. Corrigan, D. D., Archbishop of New York, N. Y.

Rt. Rev. H. P. Northrop, D. D., Bishop of Charlestown, S. C.

Rt. Rev. Thomas A. Becker, D. D., Bishop of Savannah, Ga.

Rt. Rev. Joseph Rademacher, D. D., Bishop of Nashville, Tenn.

Rt. Rev. Peter Verdaquer, D. D., Bishop of Brownsville, Texas.

Rt. Rev. J. C. Neraz, D. D., Bishop of San Antonio,
Texas.

Rt. Rev. Ægidus Junger, D. D., Bishop of Nesqually,
Wash.

Rt. Rev. A. J. Glorieux, D. D., Bishop of Boies City,
Iowa.

The objects of the CATHOLIC KNIGHTS OF AMERICA
have been approved and the Society recommended by
the following Archbishops and Bishops:

Mgr. Satolli, Papal Alegate.

Most Rev. J. Gibbons, D. D., Card, Archbishop of
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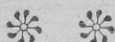
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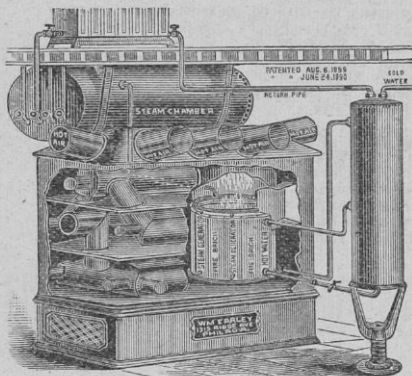
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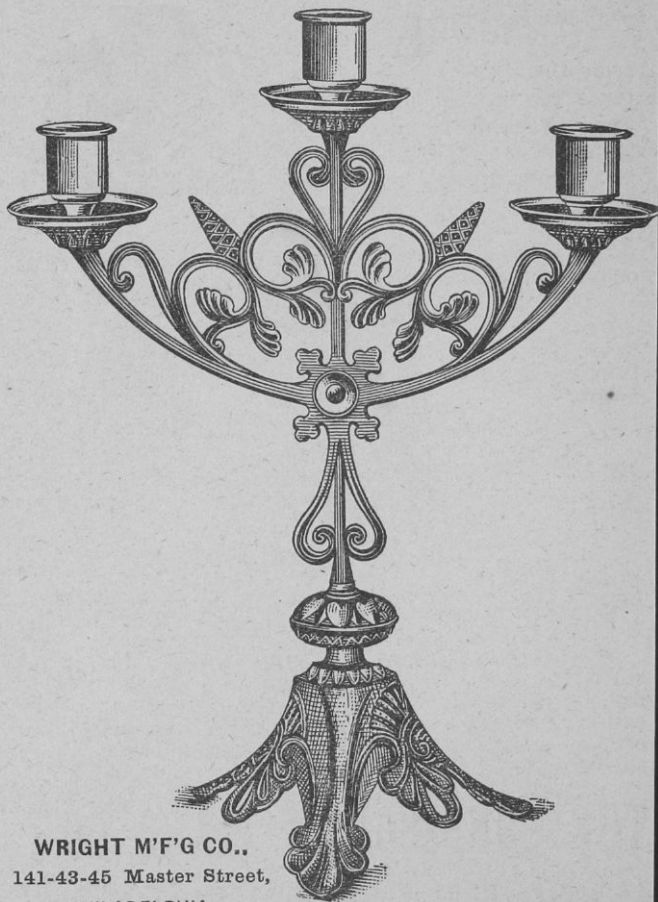
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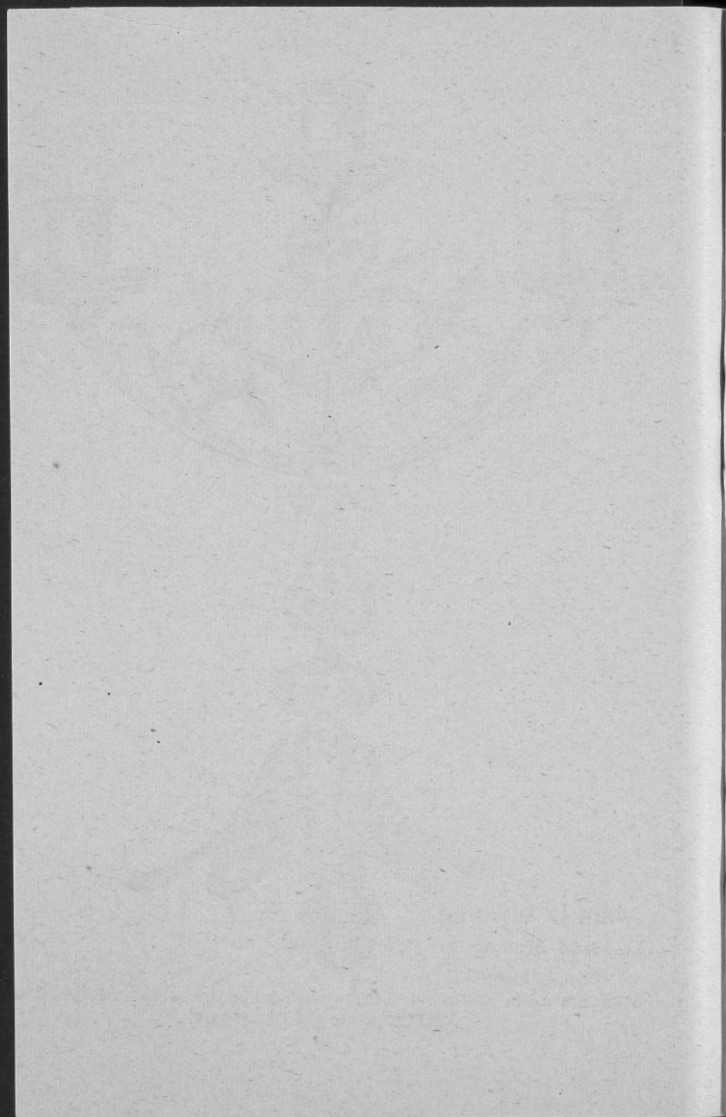
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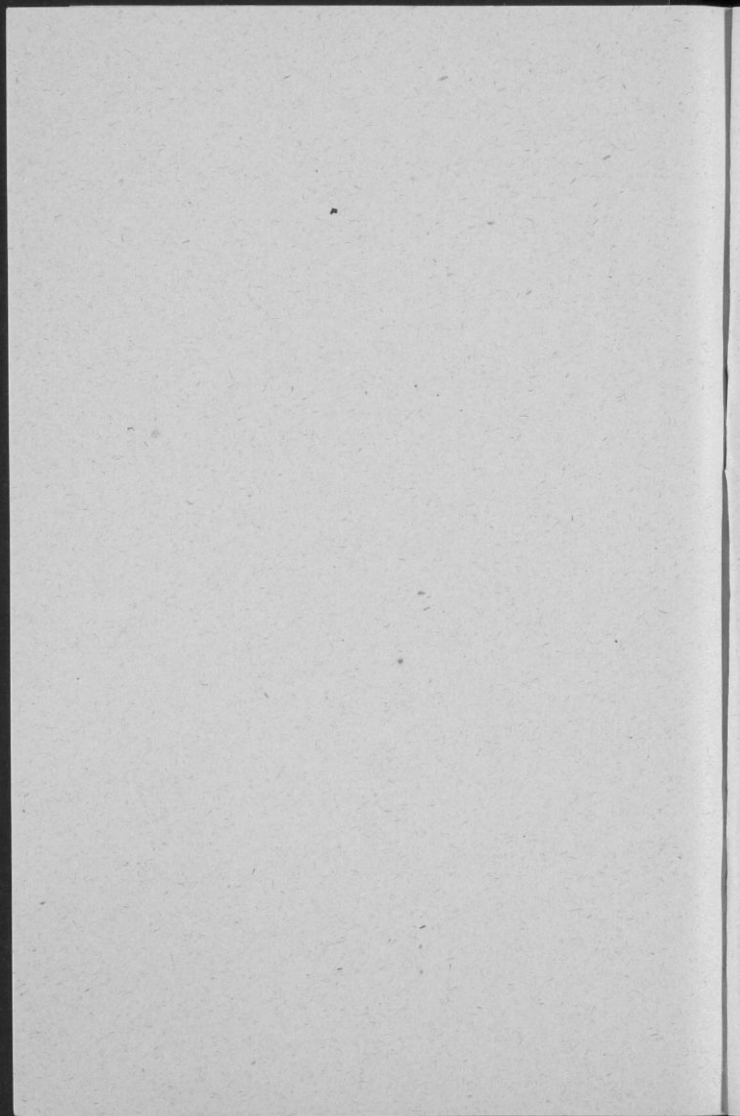


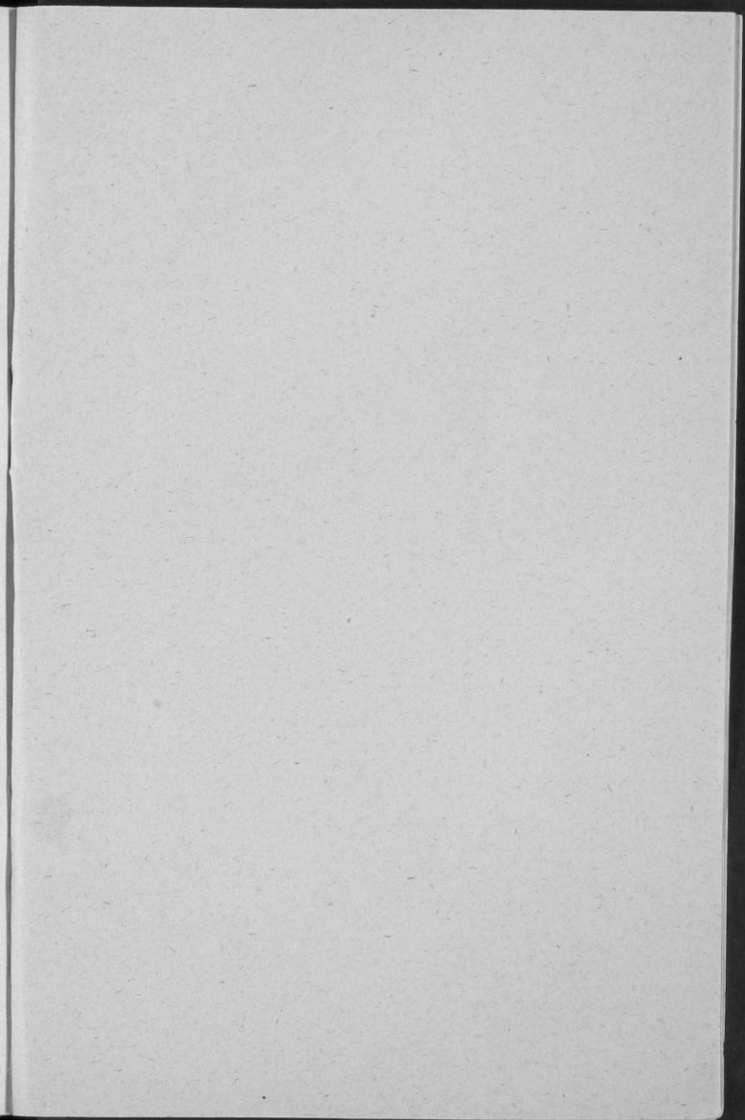
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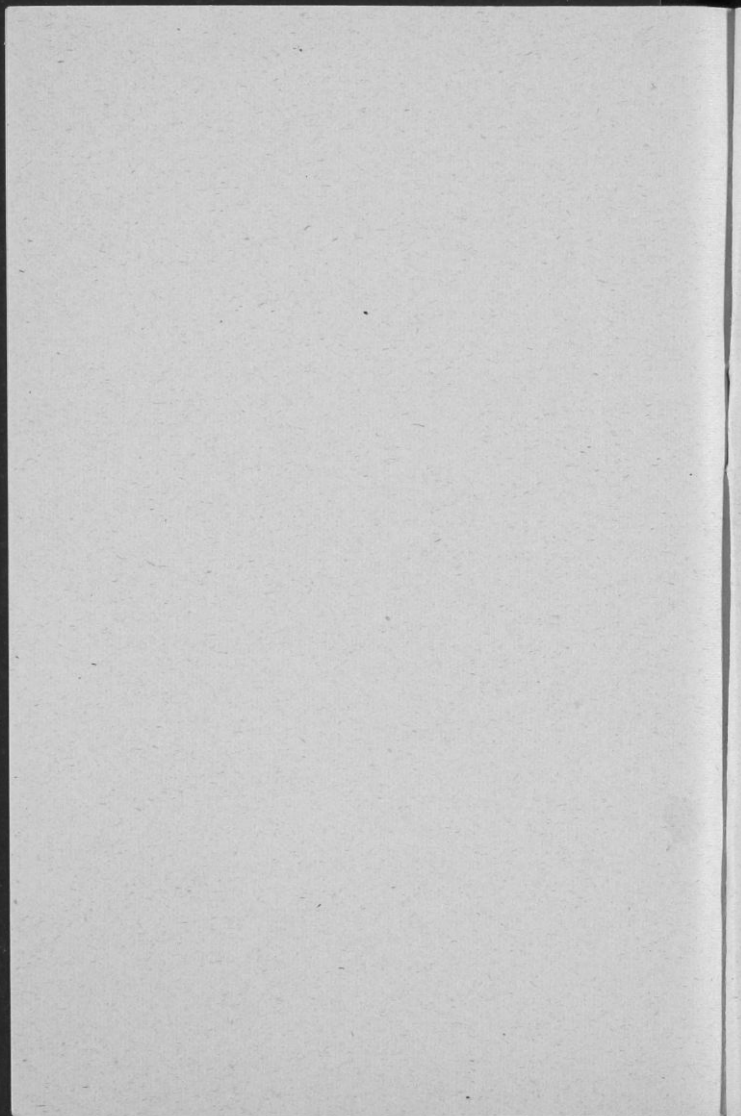
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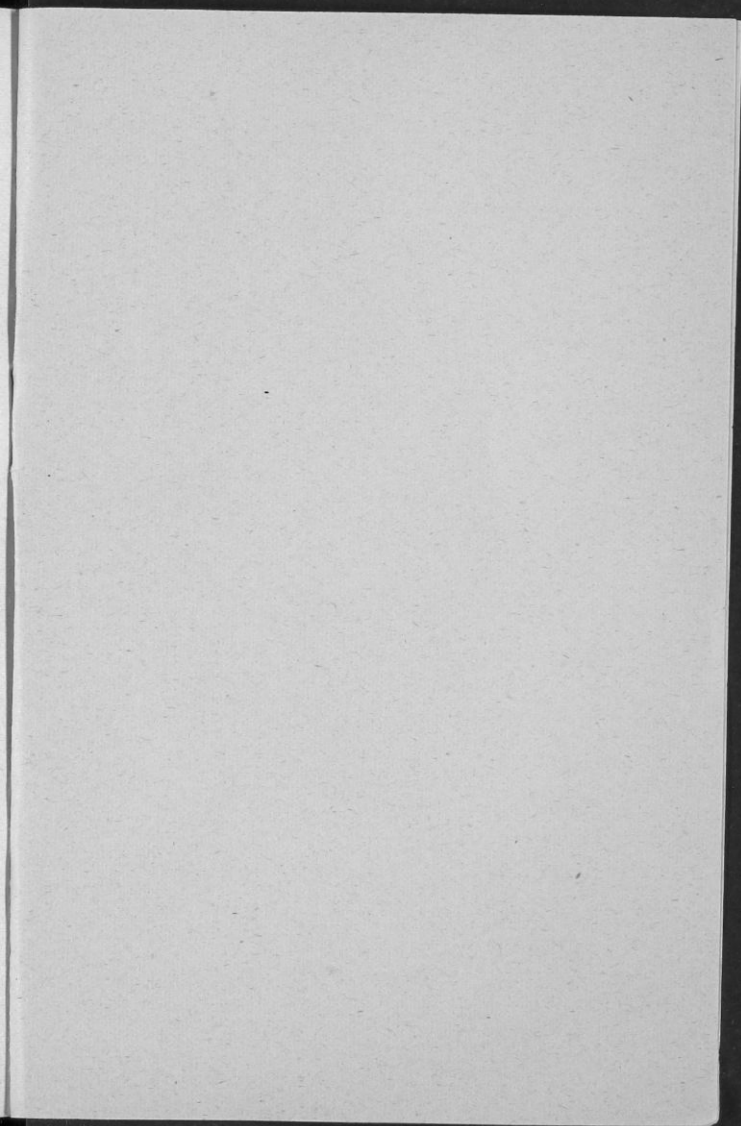


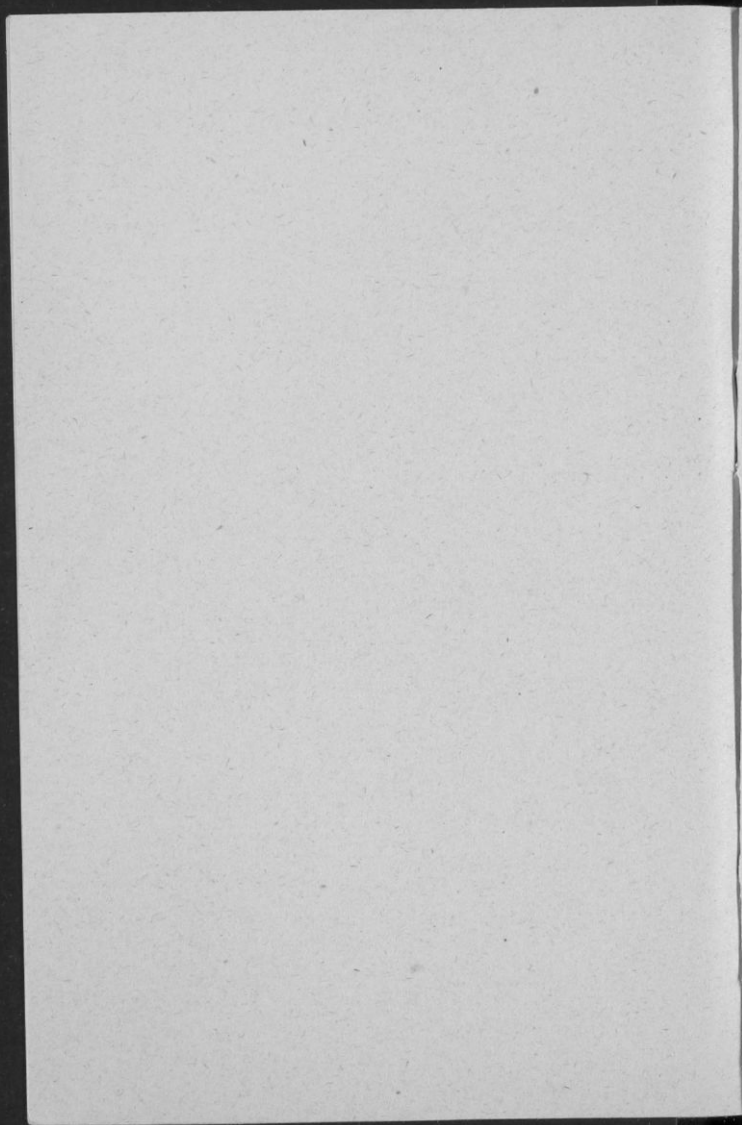


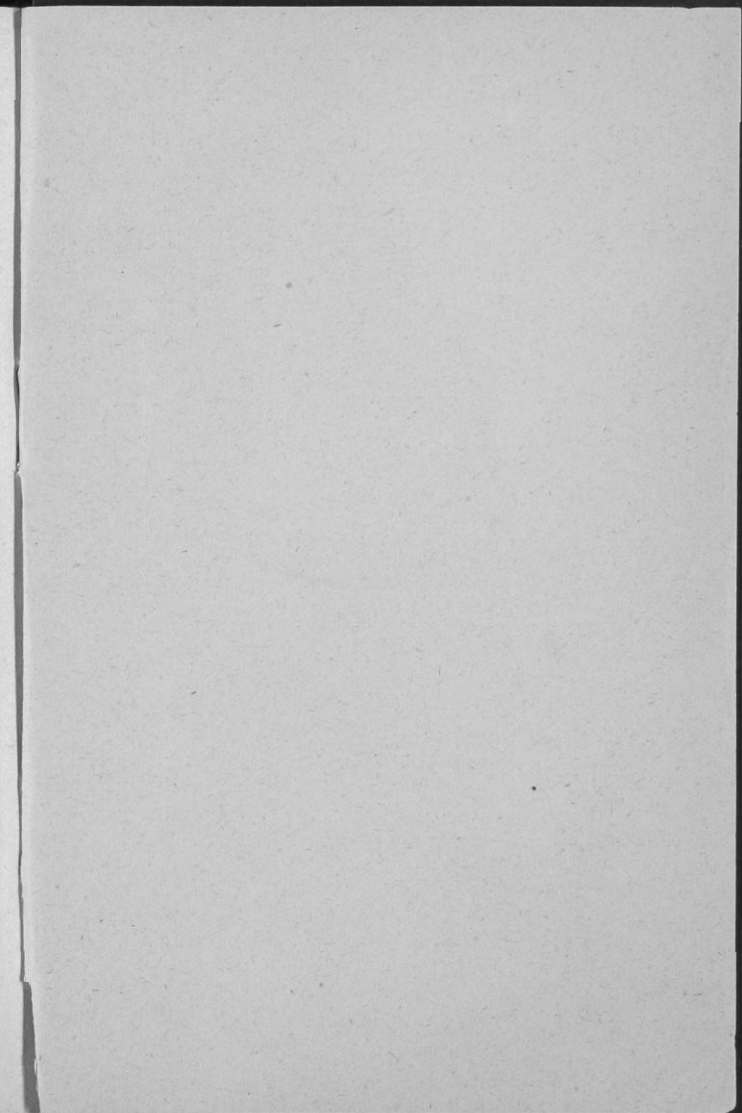


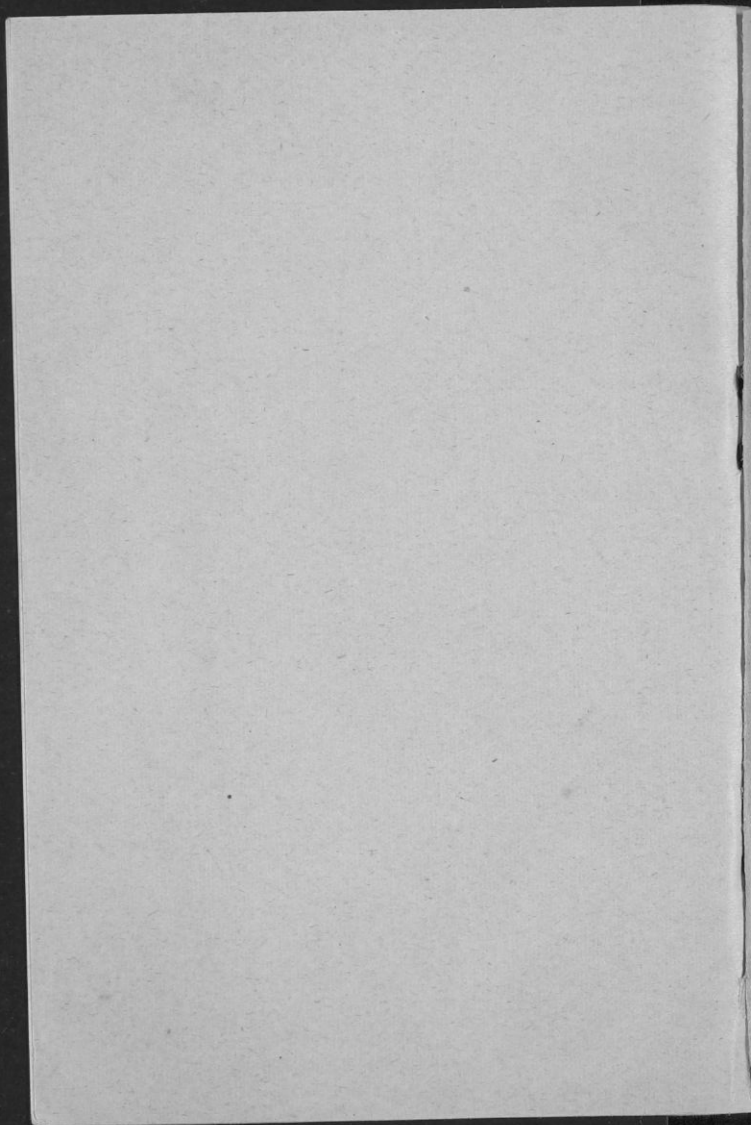


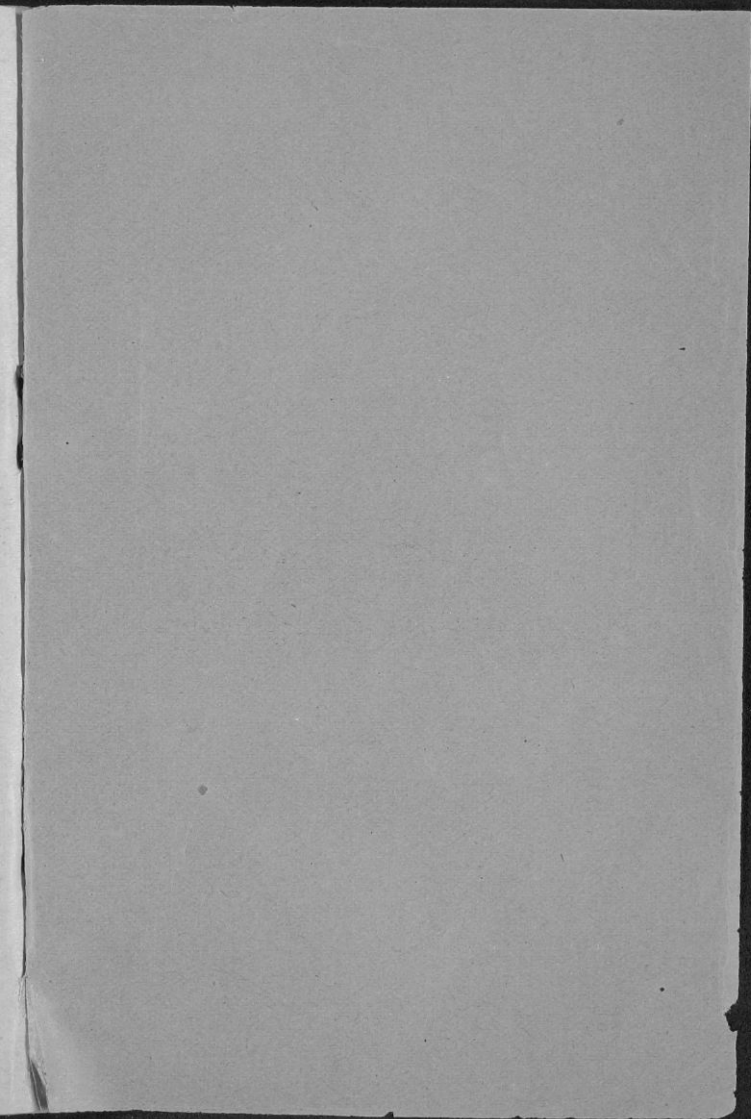














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