

REPORT

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The Session of Knox Church, Ottawa,

*Presented at the Annual Meeting of the
Congregation, Jany. 12th, 1888.*

IN looking back upon the year that has just closed, we feel that we have had to deal, notwithstanding our much forgetfulness of Him, with a God of infinite goodness.

Many of the families of our Congregation have been visited with sore affliction, but the rich consolations of the Gospel have, amidst these trials, not been withheld.

Of those who have been stricken by the prevalent epidemic, which has removed beloved ones and made desolate many homes, there has been no one connected with our Congregation to whom, so far as we are aware, it has proved fatal. Surely for this our fervent gratitude is due to our Heavenly Father.

During many weeks our beloved Pastor has suffered from the prevalent sickness, and been rendered thereby unable to attend to his public duties. We fondly hope that through Divine Goodness, in answer to his people's prayers, he may be soon restored to his wonted health and activity.

During the year we have had to record the removal by death from our midst of two highly respected members in full Communion with the Church, namely, Mr. Henry Alexander and Mr. John Robertson. Mr. Robertson had been for several years the Treasurer of our Congregation. We deeply sympathize with the widows and children of the deceased, and commend them to Him who has promised to be a father to the fatherless and the widow's husband.