

It was considered and ultimately met with so favorable a regard that Mr. Christie was appointed to preach in Chippawa on the first Sabbath of December, and to form a congregation, if he should see cause.

On the 6th of the same month a congregation was formed consisting of 39 persons. We heartily respond to the sentiment expressed in the letter already quoted, "May this day be long looked back to, as an important era in the history of the Chippawa congregation! May it be as the beginning of months to our souls! May it be the commencement of blessings invaluable in themselves, and enduring as eternity in their consequences to us, to our children, and to all succeeding generations! Let all the people praise thee O Lord! Let every knee bow and every tongue confess, that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the father." Such is the very respectable commencement of the Chippawa congregation.

Nor is this all; "at a public meeting held 10th September last, it was unanimously resolved to build for Divine worship, a Church at Chippawa, in connexion with the United Secession Church, and to apply for subscriptions to defray expenses." And their operation commenced immediately. Nor did anything occur to damp their spirits or produce relaxation of effort. James Cummings, Esq., at once with great liberality, subscribed for the building a lot of *half an acre*, and about \$300 stood upon the paper in a few days after. On the 6th December no less than \$600 had been subscribed! Moreover, a frame building, 50 feet by 40, is contracted for, to be completed previous to the 1st day of May next. Such, Mr. Editor, are the facts concerning the origin of this congregation, so far as I can collect them.

Allow me now to say, that the above is creditable to the *spiritedness* of the Chippawa people, having once put their shoulders to the work they labour with determination. I rejoice to see a spirit that is dissatisfied with half measures. Let them prosper is my prayer; and that they may be imitated is my hope. Nor would I forget their *Christian zeal and attachment to principle*. I oppose fanaticism as much as any man; but give me sound common sense, a large basement of Scripture truth, and then, let steady persevering zeal act with all possible intensity. Amidst adverse and deadening influences these people have stood firm, and their Presbyterianism has remained unshaken, while their ardour in the cause of truth is as glowing as I trust it will be permanent.

I, sir, wish them all success. You and the Mission, I feel assured, say Amen. Let me tell them through you, that while we speak as above, we do not forget, and we would beg them to remember, that their work is but begun. They have just buckled on their armour, let them carry it nobly and quit themselves like men. To expect unbroken success would be to forget the troubled course of human events; to yield or even relax should difficulties cross their path, would falsify the pledge they have given and disappoint the hopes we have formed.

I remain, dear sir,  
Yours faithfully,

J. P.

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PERSIA.—The Rev. William Glen, Missionary of the United Associate Synod to Persia, has returned to Britain to get his translation of the Scriptures into Persian, printed. The expences will be defrayed by subscription.