

## Report of Chatsworth Presbyterian Church.

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### Report of Session.

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"God has crowned the year with his goodness."

In the kind providence of God, we are spared as a Session, and are called upon to review the work of the congregation for 1899. Truly a year to be remembered for its mercies and blessings, yet in it we have learned more and more that vain is the help of man. We would humbly acknowledge God's good hand and guidance in whatever success has attended the efforts of the congregation in the work. We would humbly own the failures to be ours, and this because we have not sought his guidance as faithfully and earnestly as we might have done.

We feel thankful for the interest and attendance on the Lord's day and weekly meetings, but feel that many others might encourage us more frequently with their presence. Our numbers remain about the same as at last annual report. Twenty members have been added during the year and a like number have been removed from the roll.

We feel thankful to the congregation for the liberal response in regard to the church debt, and it is, we believe, a real pleasure to know that the Lord's house in which we meet for worship is now entirely unencumbered.

In looking over the year we are reminded, as in the past, that life is brief and uncertain. Four, who have for many years been identified with the church, viz., Mr. & George Hutchison, sr., Mr. David Rae, Mr. William Elder and Miss Hannah McInnis, all well and favorably known, have passed to their reward. Our bereaved friends have our heartfelt sympathy and prayer that our loving Heavenly Father will sustain and comfort them by his gracious and abiding presence.

We know not where His islands lift  
Their fronded palms in air,  
We only know we cannot drift  
Beyond God's love and care.

For anything we have been used of the Lord in accomplishing, we give Him devout thanks, and would say with Paul, "Forgetting those things that are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ."

JOHN LITTLE, Moderator.

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### Report of Managers.

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In presenting our Annual report for the year 1899 the Board of Managers do so with a deep sense of the debt of gratitude that we, as a congregation, owe to the God of all blessing.

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