

---

### St. Andrew's Church, Campbellford

---

It is worthy of notice that the first church building is in existence yet, and is now situated on Front Street. It is used as a warehouse for carriages and farm implements.

In 1865 Mr. Alexander resigned Campbellford, retaining charge of Percy, or Warkworth. Later he resigned Warkworth. Afterwards Mr. Alexander was minister of Mount Pleasant and Burford, and was at the time of his death a few years ago, an honored member of the Presbytery of Paris.

In the early days—about 1861—the congregation was known as Seymour. A few years later the name Campbellford came into use.

Among the names mentioned in the records of the Presbytery of Cobourg in connection with Mr. Alexander's ministry, are those of Thomas Rutherford, elder; John Bell and John Dickson, deacons. Also Daniel Kennedy and William Parker.

In the records of the Presbytery for 5th May, 1863, the following item appears:

"Mr. Alexander brought before the Presbytery the fact that, as  
"the congregation of Seymour had a church to build, he for the  
"last two years had taken only fifty pounds instead of sixty of  
"stipend. As the church was nearly paid for, he thought it right  
"that it should be raised again to sixty pounds."

In Mr. Alexander's time there seems also to have been some trouble over the holding of funerals on Sundays.

After Mr. Alexander's resignation, the congregation called the Rev. Anthony Simpson. This call was not accepted, although Mr. Simpson supplied the pulpit for over a year. Next a call was addressed to Mr. Walter M. Roger, but was declined. A long vacancy ensued, during which the congregation was supplied by men appointed by the Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery. Finally, in 1869, a call was extended to the Rev. David Beattie. Mr. Beattie accepted the call and was inducted on February 9th, 1869.

In 1872 Mr. Alexander resigned the charge of Warkworth, and the Presbytery, for reasons of economy proposed re-uniting