

## REPORT OF TEMPORAL COMMITTEE.

*To the Congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa :*

GENTLEMEN, — In submitting to you another Annual Report, the Temporal Committee desire to record their grateful acknowledgments to God for the success which, by His blessing, has thus far attended the efforts of the Congregation towards the completion of this beautiful Church, and to express their hope and trust that the blessing of God may be continued to us as a Congregation.

Now that the new Church has been opened for service, it may be interesting, to note and record the incidents of progress made in regard to this. On Sabbath the 21st January, 1872, the last service in the old Church on the present site was held. On the 14th June, same year, the corner stone of the new Church was laid by the Rev. D. M. Gordon, when appropriate addresses by Clergymen and friends of the Church were delivered. On Sabbath the 2nd March, 1873, the Basement of the Church being completed and fitted up, was opened for Divine Service and so used until Sabbath the 25th January, 1874, when, the body of the Church having been completed, it was formally opened for Service. On that occasion appropriate sermons were delivered, in the forenoon by the Rev. Dr. Jenkins of Montreal, in the afternoon by the Rev. Thomas Wardrope, of Guelph, and in the evening by the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto.

While it affords your Committee much satisfaction to refer to the largely increased accommodation afforded by the new Church, still, from the number of applicants at present unsupplied with pews, your Committee have reason to think that had it been of even larger dimensions, it would have been desirable on this account.

As you are aware, the pews in the body of the Church were recently leased for the ensuing year, commencing this