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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE . . .

## CHATSWORTH CONGREGATION

OF THE

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

IN CANADA,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1ST JANUARY, 1898.

### . . . . Officers of The Church. . . .

Pastor—Rev. A. Thompson, B. D.

**Members of Session :**

John McKenzie,  
John McKessock,  
Peter Cromar,

Alex. Pringle,  
Hugh Gordon,  
John A. Wilson,  
A. McGill.

John Sutherland,  
John Cameron,  
Thos. S. Mitchell,

**Board of Managers :**

David Smith,  
T. M. McGill,  
J. J. Rankin,

Thomas Pringle,  
William Taylor,  
R. A. Mitchell,

Thomas McAuley,  
James Laird,  
Wm. Ferguson.

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## REPORT OF SESSION.

### TO THE MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS :

In again submitting the Report of the Session, we would gratefully acknowledge the goodness of a gracious God to us as a people. "Ebenezer—Hitherto hath the Lord helped us" is our exclamation as we review the events of '97, and "Jehovah-jireh—The Lord will provide," should be our encouragement for '98. Again we have to report the loss of those who have been promoted to "the silent majority." Those removed by death from the Roll are: Donald Elder (19), Donald Elder (21), Mrs. McBride, Annie Elder and Henry Hogg. We commend all bereaved ones to the consolation of the God of all comfort. Eight new names have been added, 5 by profession and 3 by certificate; 3 have asked for certificates to other congregations. This leaves our roll as it was—230 members. Some others have moved but have not asked for certificates yet. There have been 19 baptisms during the year; one of these was an adult. The thanks of the congregation are due those who have acted as organists and to the other members of the choir who have so kindly and ably assisted in the service of praise. Thanks are also due to the faithful workers in S. S., C. E., W. F. M. S., etc., but the best approval in this respect is that of a good conscience. The general work of the congregation has been well sustained. Attendance upon ordinances has been fair. Prayer-meetings in the village might be better attended. The work in the Sabbath School and Christian Endeavor has been encouraging. The Pastor has aimed at visiting all the families twice during the year, and this aim has been well realized. It is hoped that with a true spirit of consecration and unanimity, the good work of building up Christ's cause will go on and prosper in the congregation during the year before us to even a greater degree than in the past.

A. THOMPSON, Moderator.

## MANAGERS' REPORT.

In submitting the Annual Report of the Managers this year, we feel grieved to find a shortage of nearly \$200 to Stipend account. This is the second year we have had to borrow to meet Stipend which is very discouraging to all who have an interest in the Congregation. The Church Schemes are considerable over what they have been for several years. There has been paid in Voluntary Contributions \$107, Talents \$34, so that we have been able to pay interest and \$200 on principal on the Church debt, which is now reduced to \$1300. All of which is respectfully submitted in the name of the Managers.

T. M. MCGILL, Secy.-Treas.

## W. F. M. S. REPORT.

The Women's Foreign Mission Society have contributed during the year by the regular free will offerings and fees of the members the sum of \$30. The Mite Boxes used by those members through the Congregation have not been gathered in yet, but should the amount realized by them come up to the average of last year, it will bring the total contributions about the same. The meetings have been held regularly during the year, and though we are not able to report an increase of membership we feel encouraged by the faithful attendance of the members. A bale of goods, valued at \$45, was collected and sent to the North West, and we take this opportunity of thanking all who so kindly assisted in any way with this work.

MRS. THOMPSON, President.

S. MCGILL, Secretary.

## REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The work in this department has been carried on much as usual with a good deal of encouragement. During the summer months schools were conducted at Beattie's school, Sutherland's school and Wilson's school. At Arnott the work is kept going the year round. Some of these schools are union. Too much credit cannot be given to those who have so kindly and efficiently helped in this work. Below is a short statement of affairs in the village S. S.:

### REPORT OF CHATSWORTH SABBATH SCHOOL.

Average attendance .....	48
Average collection .....	48 cents.
Total collections .....	\$24 97
Special collection for Point aux Tremble .....	3 36
Proceeds of Children's Social .....	2 35
Proceeds of Jubilee Tribunal .....	24 00
Total amount received .....	\$54 68
Total expenditure .....	\$25 88
Cash on hand .....	\$28 80

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STATEMENT.**

**T. M. MCGILL, TREASURER,**

In Account with Chatsworth Presbyterian Church, from 1st January, 1897, to  
1st January, 1898.

**RECEIPTS.**

To Cash on hand from 1896 account.....	\$ 67.85
Ordinary collections.....	2587.04
Special collections.....	61.25
Contributions to Stipend.....	6181.00
Contributions to Church Schemes.....	106.35
Borrowed money.....	2001.00
Rebate of Taxes.....	20.24

\$1215 73

**EXPENDITURE.**

By paid Stipend Rev. A. Thompson.....	\$800 00
John Mitchell, salary.....	150 00
Communion elements.....	2 85
Financial statements.....	4 00
Wood.....	43 10
Presbytery, Assembly and Synod funds.....	14 00
Choir books.....	7 00
Statute labour.....	3 75
Taxes.....	8 90
George Little, account.....	9 03
Anniversary posters and tickets.....	3 00
Interest on borrowed money.....	20 85
Principal on borrowed money.....	18 00
Owen Sound Hospital.....	6 25
Knox College.....	5 00
Queens College.....	2 00
Montreal College.....	1 00
Manitoba College.....	4 00
Home Missions.....	20 00
Stipend Augmentation.....	10 00
Foreign Missions.....	38 00
Widows Fund.....	8 00
Aged and Infirm Ministers Fund.....	8 00
Assembly Fund.....	2 35
French Evangelization.....	8 00
Balance Cash on hand.....	18 65

\$1215 73

To balance on hand to next acct. \$18.65.

Audited and found correct.

ROBERT SUDDEN, } Auditors.  
PETER CROMAR, }

Incidentals, Rev. A. Thompson—\$40.32.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STATEMENT.

CHURCH BUILDING ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand from last account.....	\$ 85 36
Anniversary collection .....	27 15
Anniversary social .....	54 85
Talents .....	34 00
Contributions .....	107 05
	\$308 41

EXPENDITURE.

By paid Mrs. McClure, interest .....	\$ 48 00
Interest on principal .....	49 30
Principal to S. H. Breese .....	200 00
Interest to S. H. Breese .....	2 00
Cash on hand .....	9 11
	\$308 41

Cash on hand to next acct. \$9.11.

Audited and found correct.

ROBERT SIDDEN, }  
PETER CROMAR, } Auditors.

CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS.

Name.	Stipend.	Schemes.	Name.	Stipend.	Schemes.
William Brogan.....	\$	\$ 25	J. M. Ferguson.....	\$ 5	00
Wm. Bell.....	6	00	Mrs. John Ferguson....	5	00
James Beattie .....	5	00	James Fraser, sr.....	8	00
Miss M. Campbell.....	3	00 25	Duncan Ferguson.....	5	00
Mrs. John Currie.....	5	00 50	Miss Belle Ferguson....		2 00
Mrs. P. Cromar.....	1	00	Hugh Gordon.....	10	00 2 75
Wm. Bell, jr.....	2	00	Miss Annie Gordon....	2	00 1 00
John Cameron.....	12	00 2 00	Wm. Garrett.....	3	00
Miss E. Cromar.....	1	00	John Galbraith.....	8	00 25
Mrs. Thomas Chisholm.	5	00	James Galbraith.....	5	00
Mrs. Chambers, and W.			James Gilchrist.....	6	00
C. Coulter.....	8	00 1 65	Mrs. Hugh Gordon.....		1 00
Archie Chisholm.....	2	00	Chas. Lundy.....	10	00 1 75
John Collins.....	2	00	Mrs. Henry Hogg.....	2	00
Gillen Currie.....	1	00 50	Robert Hutchison.....	7	00 3 00
Mrs. Thos. Charlton....		25	George Hutchison.....	10	00 2 00
Thos. H. Collins.....	6	00 25	Mrs. Robert Hill.....		25
Mrs. W. A. Chisholm...		50	Robert Hamill.....	7	00 50
Joseph Dobie.....	5	00	Robert Hill.....	2	00
Mrs. James Dunnington.	5	00 1 00	Wm. Hill.....	1	00
Alex. Elder.....	6	00 50	George Little.....	8	00
Robert Elder.....	6	00 50	Wm. Lundy.....	4	00 95
Mrs. James Elder.....	2	00	James and Mrs. Lowrey.	5	00 1 00
Tina Elder.....	2	00	James Laird.....	8	00 25
D. J. Ferguson.....		5 00	Agnes McGill.....	2	00 8 00
Wm. and Alex. Ferguson	12	00 75	Alex. McAuley.....	3	00

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