

Annual Reports ❖ ❖

..... OF

Guthrie
Presbyterian
Church,

❖ **ORO TOWNSHIP** ❖

..... FOR THE

Year Ending 5th Dec., 1894.

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Session.

MINISTER

REV. NEIL CAMPBELL, B.A.

ELDERS

MR. JAMES ROSS,	MR. THOS McCULLOCH,
" D. B. McCUAIG,	" DAVID BROWN,
" WILLIAM BROWN,	" ROBT. ROBERTSON,

BOARD OF MANAGERS

MR. ALLAN WATT,	MR. WM. SINCLAIR,
" D. B. McCUAIG,	" R. ROBERTSON,
" GEORGE CALDWELL,	" JAS. ROSS,
" H. GILCHRIST,	" JOHN McCUAIG,

MR. THOS. McCULLOCH.

AUDITORS

MR. JAS. ROSS,	MR. D. BROWN.
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CHOIR

MR. WM. ROBERTSON,.....Organist and Instructor.

SERVICES.....	2.30 p.m.
SABBATH SCHOOL.....	1.30 "
BIBLE CLASS	1.30 "
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY - Every alternate Thurs'y even'g	7.30 "
PRAYER MEETING	7.30 "

Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting was held in the basement of the church on the 5th day of December, 1894, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Rev. N. Campbell in the chair.

The meeting opened with devotional exercises.

The minutes of last annual meeting were read and sustained.

The various reports of the congregation were presented, and showed satisfactory progress in every department of the church's work.

The retiring managers were re-elected for another term. The same auditors were re-appointed. Mr. R. Robertson was also appointed Sec. - Treas. for the ensuing year.

Report of the Session for the Year 1894.

In presenting the Annual Report of the congregation for the year that is just closed, we do so recognizing the hand of the Lord in all our labors, and thanking Him for the many blessings enjoyed. The services of the sanctuary have been largely attended, and deep interest shown in spiritual things, especially amongst the young, which the session note with pleasure. The attendance at the Lord's table was good, and these seasons have been most refreshing and helpful, we believe, to all the members. We are pleased to find so many of the young people making a public profession of their faith in Christ. Fourteen new names have been added to the communion roll at our last two communions. These have been until recently, or still are, members of the Bible class and Sabbath School, showing the great good derived from faithful teaching, and regular attendance in our Sabbath Schools. We sincerely hope that all parents will help and encourage the superintendent and teachers in their work by sending their children regularly, and at the same time assisting their children from week to week in the preparation of the lessons. Two members of the congregation passed away to their reward during the year. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." One infant received the ordinance of baptism.

The Session also note with pleasure the good work that has been done by the Ladies' Aid during the year, and hope that all the ladies of the congregation will bear an equal burden of any work that may be undertaken during the coming year.

The pastor can testify to the great good he has personally received by attending the meetings of the Y.P.S.C.E. which has lately been organized, and is encouraged to find such a Christlike spirit manifested by all the members. The Session would affectionately recommend this society to all the young people of our church, and trust the blessing of God may follow all the meetings.

We are also pleased to know that a Mission Band has been organized amongst the children, and that deep interest is shown in Foreign Missions. We pray the blessing of God may rest upon all the officers and members of this juvenile society.

The Session would record with pleasure their high appreciation of the help rendered to the services of the sanctuary by the choir, and note the good spirit and heartiness with which they discharge their duty from Sabbath to Sabbath.

The pastor paid 60 visits to the homes of the congregation, he attended all the regular meetings of Presbytery, and took part in the settlement of three ministers over congregations. He occupied his own pulpit every

Sabbath since his settlement, in April, with two exceptions, when the congregation and pastor had the pleasure of hearing the Rev. R. P. McKay, F.M. Secretary, and Rev. Principal Caven, of Knox College, Toronto.

In concluding our report, we would urge upon all the families in connection with the congregation, as well as all those who worship with us here, to enter upon the coming year, with more determination than ever to do your very best for the interest of this church. Let the spirit of love and self-sacrifice, which always characterized the life of Christ, be seen in us, and may the coming year be one of the most successful in the history of the congregation.

"Let us then be up and doing
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait."

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS

To Balance on hand from 1893.....	\$ 36 14
" Sabbath Collections (including specials).....	204 15
" Envelopes and Private Subscriptions !.....	232 90
" Proceeds of Soiree and Social	70 33
" Lady Collectors, for Missions	21 25
" From other sources	76 34
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	\$ 641 11

DISBURSEMENTS

By Paid Pulpit Supply for 1894.....	\$ 354 00
" " Ministers' Board and horse hire during vacancy	24 25
" " Fence Repairs	21 12
" " Wood	10 50
" " Caretaker.....	25 00
" " Manse Repairs	38 17
" " other Expenses.....	26 49
" " Money advanced, per D. B. McCuaig.....	70 00

SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH, AS FOLLOWS:

" " Home Missions	\$ 18 20
" " Augmentation.....	8 20
" " Aged and Infirm Ministers	5 00
" " French Evangelization	10 00
" " Foreign Missions	10 00
" " Presbytery and Synod Fund.....	5 04
" Balance on hand.....	15 04

Total paid for all purposes.....\$ 641 11

ROBT. ROBERTSON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Ladies' Aid.

President.....	MRS. WM. BROWN,
Secretary.....	" R. ROBERTSON,
Treasurer.....	MISS MUIR.

This Society meets once per month in the basement of the church and the meetings are always opened with devotional exercises. Our work during the year was most encouraging, but sorry that our society is not larger and that more of the ladies of the congregation do not attend. However, there was great heartiness shown by the members in the work of our society during the year, and we believe that our meetings were mutually beneficial to all our members. Our total of receipts for the year was \$170, which we contributed to the building fund of our church.

MRS. WM. BROWN,	MRS. R. ROBERTSON,
President.	Secretary.

Mission Band.

President.....	MISS McCUAIG,
Vice-President.....	" MORRISON,
Secretary.....	BELLA BROWN,
Treasurer.....	" MISS LIZZIE MUIR.

This Society has been recently organized and therefore our report is brief. We meet once a month and our meetings are most encouraging, and the members are very enthusiastic in mission work. We hope to present a full report of our work next year.

MISS McCUAIG,	MISS BELLA BROWN,
President.	Secretary.

Y. P. S. C. E.

President.....	REV. N. CAMPBELL,
Vice-President.....	MR. ROBT. ROBERTSON,
Treasurer.....	MISS ROSS,
Corresponding Secretary.....	" DUNCAN,
Recording.....	MR. THOS. ROSS.

This Society was organized in the month of October, 1894. The meetings are held twice per month, alternate with the weekly prayer meeting. The attendance is large and the members do their duty faithfully. The society have agreed to pay at least \$25 annually towards the Home Mission.

THOS. ROSS,
Secretary.

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S. S. Report.

Superintendent MR. JAS. ROSS,
Secretary-Treasurer " WM. M. CAMPBELL.

TEACHERS

Bible Class MR. JAS. ROSS,
Infant " MISS McCUAIG.

MR. ARTHUR BELL, MISS ANNIE MUIR,
MRS. WM. BROWN, " MARY CALDWELL,
" ROBT. ROBERTSON, " EUPHEMIA ROSS,
 MISS ELLEN DUNCAN.

Number of pupils on the roll 95
Average attendance 64
Number of teachers 9
Average attendance 7

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

Balance on hand from last year \$ 21 13
Sabbath Collections 30 12
Proceeds of Excursion 2 65
Total \$ 53 90

EXPENDITURE

For S. S. Supply \$ 34 57
Postage and Postoffice Order 1 75
Balance in Treasury 17 58
Total \$ 53 90

List of Subscribers for Minister's Stipend.

William Sinclair.....	\$ 6 00	Jas. Stoddart	\$ 2 25
William Brown	13 00	D. Livingstone.....	4 00
Allan Watt	6 00	Mrs. Lares	3 10
Robt. Muir	8 00	A. Bartholemew.....	11 30
Thos. McCulloch	5 50	Geo. Caldwell, Jr.....	6 00
Mrs. McCuaig.....	3 00	Mrs. John Campbell.....	6 25
John McCuaig	5 00	Jas. Guthrie	6 00
Geo. Lyall.....	10 00	John Thompson	4 00
Henry Gilchrist.....	6 00	Geo. Caldwell, Sr.....	9 00
David Brown	12 75	Alex. Gilchrist.....	5 00
D. B. McCuaig.....	9 50	Geo. Campbell	4 00
D. Gilchrist	3 00	Mrs. Aron. Graham	2 00
Mrs. Duncan	6 50	Ronald Gilchrist.....	6 00
D. McCuaig.....	8 25	Andrew Graham	2 25
Miss A. Muir	5 50	Gilbert McArthur	2 00
Alex. Graham	7 90	Henry Dunsmore	1 00
Wm. Mitchell	4 40	Miss B. Stoddart	75
Jas. Ross	12 00	Mrs. D. Graham	4 00
Robt. Robertson	11 70		
A. Bell	10 00	Total	\$232 90