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ANNUAL REPORT

Of The

CHATSWORTH CONGREGATION

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

IN CANADA,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST JANUARY, 1897.

. . . . 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.

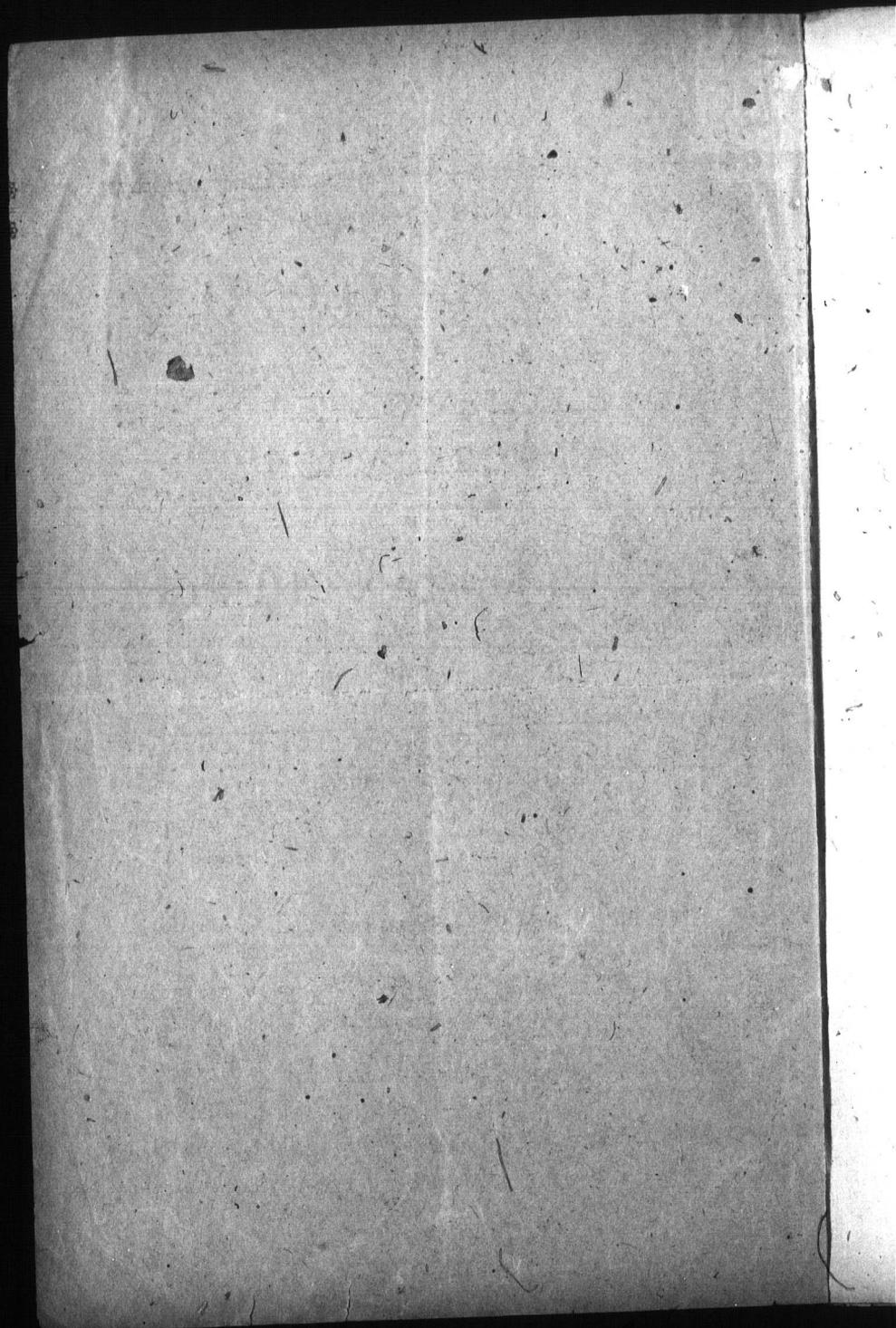
Board of Managers :

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

Joseph Pringle,
Wm. Taylor,
John Ferguson,

John Sutherland,
James Laird,
Wm. Ferguson.

NELSON BROS., JOB PRINTERS, CHATSWORTH.



REPORT OF SESSION.

TO THE MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS:

In presenting to your notice the Annual Report of the Session for '96, we do so with a feeling of deep gratitude to Almighty God for his goodness to us as a people during the past year. It has been a year of quiet, though we hope, progressive work. Something has been done in the Master's name, though when we compare our achievements with our best ideals, we have to regret with honest humility that we have been such sluggards in Christ's service. During the year the sharp sickle of death has been busy. Some of our best have been promoted from the church militant to the church triumphant. The Moderator and Members of Session miss with sad hearts the fellowship of Mr. James Mitchell. Others who are not really dead, but sleeping, are Thomas Chisholm, Mrs. Little, Christina McDonald, Neil McEachern, W. B. Simpson, Matthew Rogers, Mrs. Pringle, James Duff. We commend all bereaved to the God of all comfort. We are pleased to report additions to the membership. By profession 10, by certificate 6. We have lost, by certificate 15, by death 8, making a decrease of 7. Total membership at present 241. Baptisms 12. The public services have been well attended, though there are some who might come oftener. Come! One, and sometimes two, prayer-meetings weekly have been kept up with much interest at country points. We solicit a better attendance at the prayer-meetings in the basement. The S. S. and B. C. have been well attended. Room for others. Great encouragement and much interest are the hopeful features in connection with the C. E. Progress still our aim. The hearty thanks of the Session and Congregation are due to Mrs. McCullough, Miss Ella Collins and Miss Agnes McGill, as well as the Members of the Choir, for their painstaking gratuitous work in the service of song. We would advise every family to take "The Record." You can't afford to do without it. A club of 20 have subscribed for the "Canada Presbyterian." We would also urge as generous a support as possible to the Schemes of the Church. All are highly commendable and all need our personal help. Though we have suffered from the general depression, we hope with zeal and consecration and God's blessing to make decided progress during '97. Let everyone do all they can towards this happy result.

ARCH. THOMPSON, Moderator.

MANAGERS' REPORT.

In submitting the Annual Report of the Managers this year, we are sorry to find a shortage of over Two Hundred Dollars of contributions to Stipend account. Church Schemes are up to the average, while the Congregation has done well towards Church Building Fund, having paid \$200 of principal and interest, with a balance of \$85.36 on hand. All of which is respectfully submitted in the name of the Managers.

T. M. MCGILL, Secretary-Treasurer.

W. F. M. S. REPORT.

The Women's Foreign Mission Society have held their meeting regularly during the year, with an average attendance of about 7 members. There are 15 members enrolled who pay the regular admission fee of 25¢ a member per year. Besides these there are a few of the ladies in the congregation who contribute thro' the mite boxes, but we are sorry to notice a steady decrease of these members each year; notwithstanding this our contributions for '96 is \$37, being the same amount as last year. The "free will" offering is the only means used in raising the funds of this Society. A large bundle of second hand clothing, valued at about \$40, was sent out to a certain Indian reserve in the N. W.

MRS. THOMPSON, President. MRS. McMURCHY, Treasurer.
MRS. CROMAR, Vice-President. MRS. T. M. MCGILL, Secretary.

Y. P. S. C. E. REPORT.

The work of this department has been highly encouraging. Meetings have been well attended, topics well treated and much interest in general manifested. The Society has adopted the Assembly Committee's "Plan of Study" for '97. Some work along missionary lines was undertaken last year. \$5 was given to the Indian Peninsula Mission. \$10 is our aim for this year. Monthly collections for this purpose. The Pastor was honored in being chosen as President of The Young People's Home Mission Society of O. S. Presbytery. Convention in Chatsworth next June. "Chatsworth '97" is our watchword. No. of active members 16, associate members 13. We advise all who possibly can to become members.

D. McCLINTOCK, President.

REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL.

The work of the S. S. has been carried on during '96 with a good measure of success, encouragement and interest. The classes have been fairly well filled. If any of the children are not in attendance, send them along. Let all parents and older members of the family help the children with their lessons. The Pastor cordially invites all the young men and women of the congregation to the Bible Class. It will do you all good. \$27.74 was raised and \$27.62 expended during the year. The teachers have decided to ask monthly collections from the children in aid of the Point-Aux-Trembles School in order to train them in mission work. Pray for and encourage the teachers who for love's sake devote so much time to the spiritual education of your children.

T. M. MCGILL, Superintendent.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STATEMENT.

T. M. MCGILL, TREASURER,

In Account with Chatsworth Presbyterian Church, From 1st Feb., 1896,
To 18th Jan., 1897.

RECEIPTS.

To Cash on hand from 1895	\$ 36 12
Ordinary collections	241 09
Contributions to Stipend	596 39
Church Schemes	81 00
Money borrowed	203 70
	<u>\$1158 21</u>

EXPENDITURE.

By paid Rev. A Thompson	\$800 00
Choir Books	9 10
Annual Reports, 1895	4 00
Wood	24 77
Presbytery, Assembly and Synod Funds	6 00
John Mitchell, salary	150 00
Statute Labor	3 75
Insurance on Manse	7 50
Repairs on Manse	1 50
Communion Elements	1 25
Church Taxes	14 32
Printing 200 circulars	1 25
William Taylor, account	36 57
Knox College	7 00
Queens College	2 00
Montreal College	1 00
Home Missions	25 00
Augmentation Fund	13 00
Aged and Infirm Ministers Fund	5 00
Widows Fund	5 00
French Evangelization	7 00
Assembly Fund	2 00
Manitoba College	4 00
Foreign Missions	10 00
Interest on Money Borrowed at 6 per. cent.	10 35
Balance cash on hand	6 85
	<u>\$1158 21</u>

To balance on hand to next account \$6.85.

The undersigned certify that the foregoing financial statement is correct.

ROBERT SUDEN, } Auditors.
PETER CROMAR, }

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STATEMENT.

CHURCH BUILDING ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand from last account	\$33 44
Talents	81 25
Cash from Garden Party	26 18
Cash from Social at Manse	10 70
Thanksgiving collection	2 66
Anniversary collection	21 36
Anniversary social	43 55
Childrens social	2 70
Contributions	197 50
	\$419 34

EXPENDITURE.

By paid Mrs. McClure, interest	\$48 00
S. H. Breese, interest on principal	63 21
S. H. Breese, on mortgage	200 00
Interest on above	1 69
Rev. Mr. Mackenzie, expenses	3 10
Rev. A. Thompson, expenses to Orangeville	3 10
Anniversary Posters	1 75
James Gilchrist, account	13
Ladies Talents	13 00
Cash on hand	85 36
	\$419 34

CONTRIBUTIONS BY THE MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS OF THE CONGREGATION.

Names.	Stipend.	Schemes.	Names.	Stipend.	Schemes.
Mrs. Dr. Airth	\$ 30	\$	John F. Cameron	2 00	
Miss A. Steadman	3 00		Andrew Cromar	2 00	
Wm. Bell	6 00		George Elder	5 00	15
Alex. Cameron	2 00		Donald Elder (19)	9 00	I 00
Miss M. Campbell	2 00		Mrs. James Elder	3 00	
Mrs. John Currie	5 00	50	Wm. and Alex. Ferguson	10 00	I 00
Peter Cromar		2 40	J. M. Ferguson	6 00	25
Mrs. Cromar	2 00		Mrs. John Ferguson	5 00	25
Miss E. Cromar	1 00		James Fraser, sr	7 00	
Mrs. Thos. Chisholm	5 00	25	Duncan Ferguson	5 00	
William Bell, jr	2 00		Mrs. James Fraser, jr		50
Mrs. Chambers	6 00	I 25	Mrs. Wm. Ferguson		25
Archie Chisholm	2 00		Hugh Gordon	10 00	3 00
William Campbell	2 00		Miss Annie Gordon	2 00	I 50
John Collins		50	Mrs. Wm. Garrett		45
Miss Minnie Collins	1 00		John Galbraith	8 00	25
John Cameron	10 00	I 25	James Galbraith	5 00	
Gilen Currie	2 00		James Gilchrist	6 00	
Mrs. Thomas Chariton	1 00	35	Miss Marion Ferguson	1 00	
Mrs. Jas. Dunnington	5 00		William Hamill		25
Thomas H. Collins	5 00	I 25	Henry Hogg	2 00	

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Names.	Stipend.	Schemes.	Names.	Stipend.	Schemes.
Robert Hutchison.....	\$ 7 00	\$3 15	Mrs. John McBride.....	\$ 3 00	
George Hutchison.....	10 00	2 00	Mrs. Alex. McGillvray..	1 00	
Robert Hill.....	2 00	40	Wm. McKay.....	2 00	
Mrs. Robert Hill.....	2 00		Dr. McCullough.....	10 00	
Robert Hamill.....	7 00		Mrs. John McGregor..	5 00	
James Halliday.....	5 00		Miss Ellie McDonald..	\$0 25	
Miss S. Hall.....	1 00		James McAvoy.....	5 00	
Fred Johnson.....	1 00		Wm. McFarlane.....	4 00	
George Little.....	5 00		John McDonald.....	10 00	
William Lundy.....	2 00	10	Mrs. McMurphy.....	2 00	
Chas. Lundy.....	8 00	1 50	John McKay.....	2 00	
James Lowrey.....	5 00	25	Kennedy Minnis.....	5 00	
James Laird.....	5 00		Wm. Nesbitt.....	2 00	50
D. T. McClintock.....	5 00	5 00	Miss W. S. McKay.....	2 00	
Ronald McDonald.....	2 00		J. Martin.....		30
Robt. Mitchell, jr.....	5 00		Thos. McDonald.....	3 00	
Donald McDonald (Syd)	3 00		Mrs. McClintock.....	3 00	25
John McKissock.....	10 00	1 00	Thomas Pringle.....	2 00	
Duncan Mathinson.....	15 00		Alex. Pringle.....	25 00	6 00
Rod McBride.....	6 00		Joseph Pringle.....	8 00	
James R. Mitchell.....	15 00	2 75	Wm. Robertson.....	8 00	60
John McKenzie.....	20 00		Wm. Rankin.....	14 00	1 50
Miss M. McMurphy.....	1 00		J. J. Rankin.....	10 00	1 00
Wm. McGregor.....	4 00	1 50	John Sutherland.....	20 00	2 00
Mrs. Archie McDonald..	5 00	25	Robert Sudden.....	4 00	55
Thos. T. Mitchell.....	2 00		David Smith.....	8 00	50
Thos. S. Mitchell.....	10 00		John Smith.....	4 50	65
McGill & Son.....	40 00	3 35	Miss W. Sutherland...	2 00	2 00
John Murray.....	4 00		Miss A. Sutherland...	2 00	1 50
Mrs. John Murray.....		50	Mrs. John Smith.....	2 00	75
George McInnes.....	5 00		Rev. A. Thompson...		15 00
Roy McMurphy.....	1 00		Robert Telford.....	4 00	25
Miss Cetta Merriam...	2 00	1 00	Wm. Taylor.....	11 00	
James McKissock.....		5 00	Mrs. Thomas Webster..	2 00	
Angus McKay.....	2 00	25	John A. Wilson.....	10 00	
Miss E. A. McKay.....	2 00	25	George Young.....	7 00	
Miss Ellen McKay.....		25	Unknown.....		25
Miss Agnes McGill.....		25	Mrs. Alex. Campbell..	5 00	
Mrs. James McArthur..	6 00	1 00	George Collins.....	1 00	
Robert Mitchell, sr....	10 00	75			
W. J. Mitchell.....	2 50				

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AMOUNTS PAID TO BUILDING FUND DURING 1896.

Miss A. Steadman.....	\$3 00	Mrs. Angus McKay	2 00
Mrs. James Beattie.....	5 00	Miss E. A. McKay.....	2 00
Wm. Bell.....	1 00	Mrs. James McArthur.....	2 00
Alex. Cameron.....	2 00	Robt. Mitchell, sr.....	25
Mrs. John Currie.....	3 00	Mrs. John McGregor.....	1 00
Mrs. Chambers and W. Coulter	9 00	Wm. McFarlane.....	50
Thos. H. Collins.....	4 00	John McKay.....	50
Alex. Elder.....	2 25	Thos. McDonald.....	2 00
Mrs. James Elder.....	2 00	G. W. Matheson.....	2 00
Wm. and Alex. Ferguson.....	1 50	Alex. Pringle.....	8 00
J. M. Ferguson.....	1 00	Wm. Robertson.....	7 00
Jas. Fraser, sr.....	3 00	Wm. Rankin.....	10 00
Miss Annie Gordon.....	25	J. J. Rankin.....	10 00
Robert Hutchison.....	50	Mathew Rogers.....	1 00
Robert Hill.....	1 00	David Smith.....	1 00
Miss S. Hall.....	1 00	John Smith.....	1 00
Chas. Lundy.....	2 00	Miss W. Sutherland.....	1 50
Jas. Lowery.....	3 00	Miss A. Sutherland.....	1 00
D. T. McClintock.....	5 00	Rev. A. Thompson.....	56 00
Thos. McClelland.....	5 00	Robt. Telford.....	2 00
Robt. Mitchell, jr.....	25	Wm. Taylor.....	13 50
John McKissock.....	3 00	Mrs. Thos. Webster.....	5 00
James R. Mitchell.....	2 00	Thos. Young.....	1 00
Mrs. James R. Mitchell.....	1 00	Miss Kathaleen Thompson.....	1 00
Wm. McGregor.....	2 50		
John Murray.....	2 00		
Geo. McInnes.....	1 00		
			\$197 50

AMOUNTS PAID BY TALENTS.

Mrs. John Cameron.....	\$20 75	Mrs. Alex. Pringle.....	\$ 3 00
Mrs. Hugh Gordon.....	5 00	Mrs. Robt. Mitchell.....	7 00
Mrs. Jas. and Miss E. Mitchell	5 00	Mrs. Thompson.....	17 20
Mrs. Wm. Rankin.....	7 00	Miss W. Sutherland.....	5 00
Mrs. John Ferguson.....	2 50	Miss Marion Ferguson.....	2 70
Mrs. McMurchy.....	2 00		
Mrs. Archie McDonald.....	4 00		
			\$81 25