

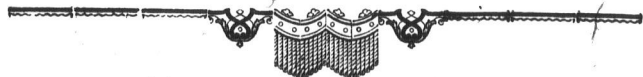
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ANNUAL REPORT  
— OF THE —  
**CHATSWORTH CONGREGATION**  
— OF THE —

Canada Presbyterian Church !

*For the Year ending Feb. 20th. 1886.*



OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH :

PASTOR.

REV. JOHN McALPINE.

MEMBERS OF SESSION.

REV. JOHN McALPINE, Moderator.

JOHN McKENZIE,  
JOHN McKISsock,  
PETER CROMAR,

JAMES MITCHELL,  
HUGH GORDON,  
JOHN A. WILSON.

A. MCGILL,  
ABEL WRIGHT,

DEACONS' COURT.

JAS. BEATTIE,  
ROBERT SIDDEN,  
WILLIAM RANKIN,  
WM. MCGREGOR,

JOHN CAMERON,  
ROBERT McCLURE,  
JOHN SUTHERLAND,  
ROBERT HOGG,  
DUNCAN MATHISON,

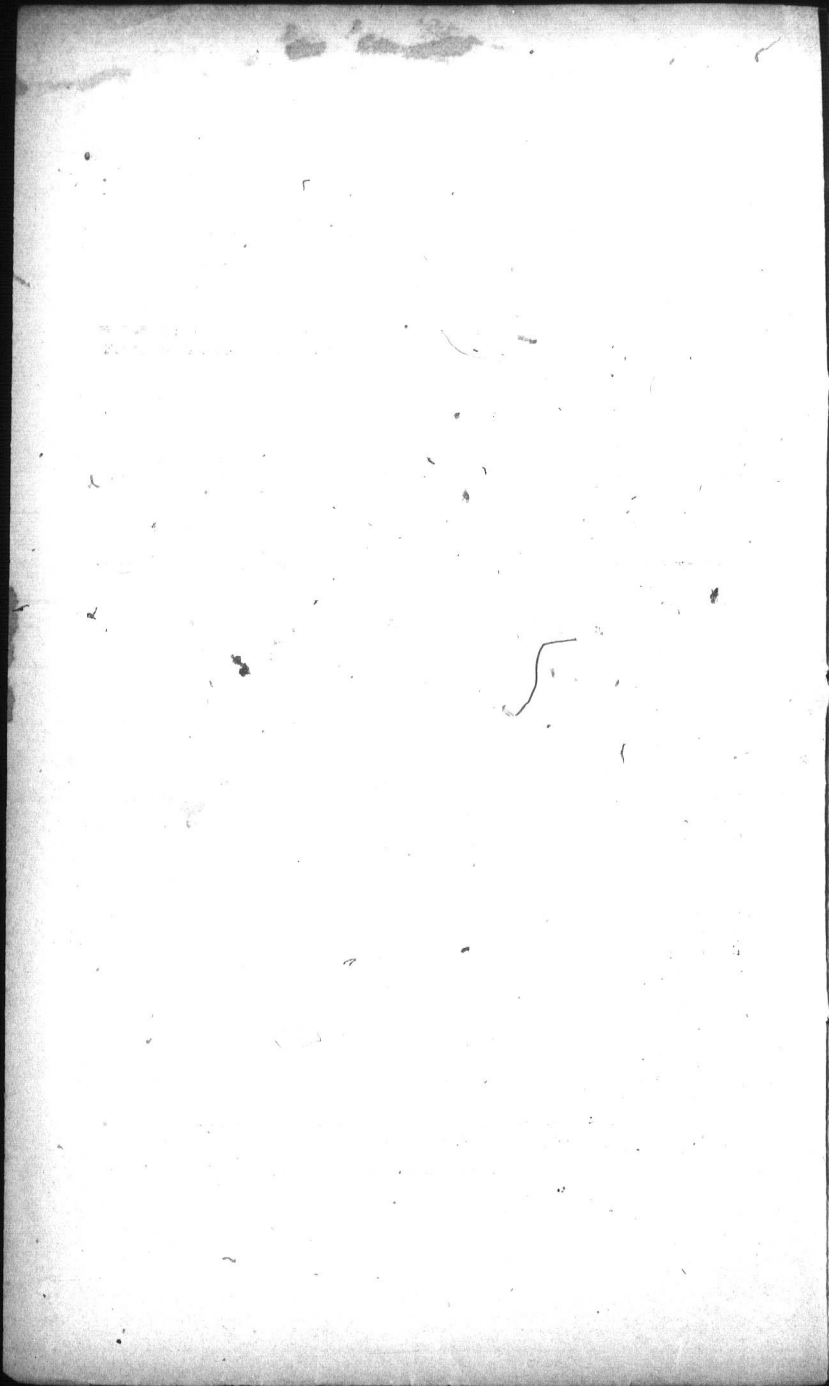
JONH FERGUSON,  
ROBERT MITCHELL,  
THOS. WRIGHT,  
JOSEPH PRINGLE.

The Quarterly Meetings of Deacons' Court are as follows :—The first Tuesday in October, the first Tuesday in January—hour of meeting, Two o'clock, p.m.; the first Tuesday in April and the first Tuesday in June—hour of meeting, Five o'clock p.m.

CHATSWORTH :

GEO. J. BLYTH, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER.

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## ADDRESS BY THE SESSION.

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The Session is again called in Providence to lay its Annual Report before the Congregation, and does so with the hope that altho' there has been no unusual manifestations during the year that has now passed, the year has not been devoid of good work done, a hope which it feels all the world at liberty to entertain, remembering that the Kingdom of God cometh not with observation. During the past year fifteen members have been removed from the Congregation, two by death the rest by removal to other parts of the Country. The two deceased are Mr. John McKay, of Sullivan, and Mrs. Edgar, wife of our late respected Elder. In both cases our hope is that the consolations which are neither few nor small, may be richly enjoyed by the bereaved relatives. Our best wishes follow those who are removed, desiring their prosperity in the fullest sense.

The additions made to the Church during the year past were sixteen, eleven by profession and five by certificate, and the Session desires earnestly to say that if the eleven joining by profession or any proportion of them indicate an actual gain to the cause of Christ, it has indeed reason for gratefully recognizing that the year is not without fruit.

The various Sabbath Schools were resumed in summer time and continued during the ordinary period, with the exception of Rockford, which remains in operation throughout the year, and the Session would hereby, in its own name and in the name of the Congregation and in the name of the families more immediately connected with them, express its gratitude to those who took upon them the honorable and responsible post of teachers, and its hope that their labours were not in vain, neither with regard to themselves nor those under their charge.

The various district prayer meetings and visitations have been maintained with such regularity as weather and other engagements have permitted. The Session finds itself called upon to express regret that the Congregation has this year come much short in its contributions to the Missionary Schemes of the Church.

Of course part of this is to be attributed to the great financial pressure of the year, part also is no doubt to be attributed to the method adopted this year of receiving contributions, one call only in the year having been made upon contributors. The Session would fondly hope that these form the whole account of the deficiency. But it would remind the Congregation that neither individuals nor Congregations can with impunity withhold that regard for the interests of the Divine cause in the world which consists in the giving for its support. Retrenchment here is mistaken economy. When Israel was suffering under blighted harvests and crippled means God demanded their aid to His cause and encouraged them to give it by the assurance; "Prove me now herewith and see if I will not open the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing which you shall not have room to contain!" We consult most for ourselves when we consult for God. In this connection the Session is pleased to remember the work carried on by the Women's F. M. Association and hopes that it may continue to prosper.

The Session closes its report recommending itself and the whole work of Christ among us to the prayers of the Congregation, assured that our strength is at the Throne of Grace, that if we are enabled to prevail there we shall prevail in all other directions.

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#### REPORT OF DEACONS' COURT

In submitting the Annual Report of the Deacons' Court this year, although it is not as satisfactory as we would like it (for we have had to borrow \$25.00 from the general funds of the Church to meet balance due on stipend—a thing we have not had to do before in a long time), yet when we take into account how difficult it is to make money this season we may feel thankful that our showing is as favorable as it is, especially when we find that the amount raised for all purposes is only about \$100 short of that raised last year. Besides, we are of opinion that a considerable amount will yet be paid on account of the stipend subscription of last year. All accounts against the Church are paid and a balance left on hand of \$34.22. Of this amount there are two collections amounting to \$3 39, belonging to the Bursary Fund, \$2.50 to the Schemes of the Church, and \$10 or \$12 to go to the Assembly Fund, so that all the requirements of the Congregation have been met without any special effort being made, and a small balance left on hand.

#### CHURCH SCHEMES.

In this matter we show a gain of about \$22.00 over that of last year and hope to do still better next year.

All of which is respectfully submitted in the name of the Deacons' Court by

ANDREW MCGILL, SEC.—TREAS.



## CHURCH STATEMENT

Carried Forward.....	\$ 5 60	\$ 1018 44
Mr. Gilchrist, accounts.....	13 47	
Church Reports.....	7 00	
Matt Wilson, account.....	2 75	
Chatsworth S. S. papers.....	10 60	
S. S. lesson schemes (two years).....	2 35	
Insurance, Church, Syd Mutual.....	2 33	
J. Duffey, account.....	35	
Rev. Mr. Grey, travelling expenses.....	8 00	
Communion elements.....	3 22	
Delegates to Assembly.....	11 00	
S. S. Picnic expenses.....	1 30	
Cleaning Manse well.....	2 25	
Rollers for Stable door.....	70	
Robt. McClure, account.....	24 85	
Robt. Green, account.....	6 50	
S. S. prize books.....	6 00	
Mr. McAlpine attending Church Courts.....	13 00	
Wood.....	10 30	
Mr. McAlpine for Horse.....	134 00	
On Stipend.....	25 00	\$ 290 57

To Balance on hand..... 34 22

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To Balance on hand to next account..... 34 22

Examined and found correct

JNO. McDONALD, } AUDITORS.  
W. A. FERGUSON, }

Chatsworth, Feb. 24th, 1886.

The following amounts were handed in after the Reports were out last year, and paid over to Mr. McAlpine on Stipend account of 1884.

Mrs. John McKay, (Sullivan).....	\$ 6 00
Hugh McKay.....	2 00
Mrs. Scagel.....	4 00
Miss Wilhemina McKay.....	2 00
Miss Ellen McKay.....	2 00
James Bolton.....	8 00
Mrs. George McKay.....	5 00
Mrs. John Smith.....	3 00

\$32 00

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*Contributions by the Members and Adherents of the  
Congregation.*

No.	Stipend	Church Schemes	No.	Stipend	Church Schemes		
1	Peter Cromar.....\$12 25	\$3 00	44	Mrs. J. Dunnington..	5 00	...	
2	Andrew McGill.....	40 00	8 00	45	John Ferguson.....	15 00	1 00
3	Mrs. Dr. Oldham.....	2 00	...	46	Jas. Mitchell, (Elder)	30 00	3 00
5	Duncan Mathison.....	15 00	1 00	47	John McKenzie. ...	35 00	2 00
6	Joseph Whitley.....	8 00	...	48	Thos. Ramage.....	25 00	1 20
7	Arch. Campbell (Chs)	3 00	...	49	Jas. Fraser, Jr.....	2 00	...
8	Hugh McGill.....	2 00	...	50	Geo. Hutchison.....	12 00	1 00
9	Mrs. Dr. McGregor...	2 50	...	51	Jas. Beattie.....	20 00	1 00
10	Robt. McClure.....	5 00	25	53	Mrs. J. W Elliott, (Ch)	3 00	...
11	Mrs. Steadman and daughter.....	4 00	...	54	Arch. McDonald....	5 00	25
12	William Bell.....	6 00	25	55	Christina McDonald..	2 00	...
13	Robt. Sudder.....	5 25	50	56	Mrs. John McGregor.	2 00	...
14	N. McEachren, (Tea- cher).....	5 00	1 00	58	Mrs. Geo. Yates.....	3 00	50
15	David Rae.....	6 50	50	59	John Shouldice.....	1 00	...
16	James Gilchrist.....	6 50	50	61	Robt. Hogg.....	5 00	50
17	Mrs. McNab & Sons,	10 00	1 00	62	James Duff.....	5 00	50
18	Robert Hill.....	2 00	30	63	Jas. Halliday.....	6 00	...
19	Frank McLean.....	2 00	25	64	Jos. Pringle.....	7 00	1 00
20	Alex. McArthur.....	7 00	50	65	Wm. McGregor.....	2 00	50
23	Hugh McKay (Ch)...	2 00	...	66	Miss W. McKay....	4 00	50
25	Mrs. Jno. McDonald	6 00	...	67	John Sutherland....	20 00	4 00
26	John A. Wilson.....	10 00	50	68	Mrs. Geo. McKay....	6 00	1 00
27	John Currie.....	15 00	50	70	Hugh Gordon.....	11 00	2 00
28	Mrs. H. McDonald..	3 00	...	71	Alex. McCauley.....	9 00	1 00
29	Mrs. T. Mitchell....	4 00	...	72	Samuel C. Scagel...	6 00	50
30	Thos. S. Mitchell...	8 00	25	75	Geo. A. Mitchell....	2 00	...
31	Robt. Mitchell.....	10 00	50	78	Arch. Ferguson.....	6 00	1 00
32	Duncan Ferguson....	5 00	...	80	Wm. Robertson....	6 00	50
33	Robt. McNally.....	5 00	3 00	81	Wm. Rankin.....	11 00	50
34	Jos. Dobie.....	20 00	1 00	82	Wm. Taylor.....	5 00	50
35	Mrs. Robt. Lowery...	7 00	1 00	83	Mrs. Jno. Garrett...	4 00	25
37	John McDonald (Ch)	5 00	...	84	Mrs. W. Chambers..	5 00	50
38	Joseph Edgar (Jur).	2 00	50	85	Neil Cameron.....	3 00	50
39	William Mackie.....	2 00	...	86	Jos. Edgar (Sr)....	4 00	50
40	Martin McLean.....	2 00	...	87	John McKissock....	12 00	50
41	D. McDonald, 2 C.S.	4 00	...	88	James McKissock...	2 00	25
42	Mrs. J. S. Cameron..	7 00	2 00	89	Mrs. John Telford..	2 50	...
43	Charles Lundy.....	7 00	...	90	Margret J. McGregor	2 00	...
				91	Dr. T. McCullough..	5 00	...
				93	Wm. McFarlane....	4 00	50

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No.	Stipend	Church Schemes	No.	Stipend	Church Schemes.
93	Wm. McFarlane..	\$ 4 00	50	A. G. Chisholm.....	\$ 25
98	Jas. Laird.....	10 00	.....	J. J. Mitchell.....	50
99	John Murray.....	3 00	25	Mrs. Jas. Mitchell.....	50
100	Jas. McArthur.....	10 00	2 00	Miss Eliza Garret.....	25
101	Geo. McInnis.....	5 00	50	Chas. Currie.....	50
102	W. McKay, (Arnott)	5 00	25	Miss Flora J. Currie..	25
105	Geo. Sinclair	5 00	25	Mrs. Neil Currie.....	50
107	Mrs. John McBride	3 00	.....	Innis McKay.....	50
108	John McKay.....	2 00	.....	Mrs. John Smith.....	50
111	John Henderson...	6 00	25	Christina Stephenson..	50
112	Donald Elder (19)..	9 00	1 00	John Gunn.....	50
113	Donald Elder (20)..	8 00	50	Wm. P. Davey.....	25
114	John Galbraith....	6 00	.....	Jno. Partridge.	25
115	J.J. McLaren (Ham- ilton.....)	1 00	.....	Rev. Jno. McAlpine.	20 00
116	John Cameron.....	12 00	1 00	Donald Mathison ...	50
117	Wm. McLintock...	6 00	1 00	Mrs. Jas. Bolton.....	50
118	Thos. Chisholm....	8 00	25		
119	Abel Wright.....	10 00	1 00		
120	Thos. Wright.....	5 00	.....		
121	Peter Kelly.....	5 00	1 00		
122	Wm. Ferguson....	3 00	50		
123	Thos. T. Mitchell..	3 00	50		
129	Thos. Pringle.....	15 00	1 00		
130	Alex. Pringle.....	15 00	.....		
132	Kennedy Minnis...	6 00	25		
133	Bella Mitchell.....	2 00	.....		
134	Mrs. J. McKay (Sul)	2 00	.....		
136	W. H. Kerr.....	4 00	1 00		
138	Alex. Ferguson....	3 00	.....		
141	Jas. Murry (Jr)....	3 50	.....		
143	Jas. Fraser (Sr)...	5 00	50		
159	Mrs. Jas. Galbraith	4 00	.....		
461	Thos. McDonald....	5 00	1 00		
		\$772 00			
	Mrs. Jno. Smith...	3 00			
		\$775 00			
				\$93 50	