

Brooklyn, a small congregation was brought together, the Rev. Daniel Wills of the Brooklyn Parish officiating. The first services, also the first communion, first confirmation, first baptism, and first marriage ceremonies took place at the residence of Mr. Smith. Subsequently the members of the Methodist Church kindly offered the use of their edifice where services were held until a room was secured in Bowen's Building. Soon after the congregation again removed to a hall built by Mr. Smith where they worshiped until their present church edifice was completed.

In 1870 an organization was effected and name given to the Parish, and at the same time the following-named gentlemen were elected officers: W. N. Meek, Senior Warden; Eustace Trenor, Junior Warden; R. H. Magill, Thomas A. Smith, and C. H. Dickey, Vestrymen. On account of not filing a certificate the first permanent organization was not effected until January 14, 1871. About this time the Rev. Sidney Wilbur was appointed Rector who continued to officiate until July, 1873.

The church edifice was completed in September, 1873. It is a wooden structure, in the Gothic style of architecture, about twenty-six feet front by sixty-five feet deep, and cost, including furniture, \$3,500. The lot upon which it stands was donated to the congregation by Mr. Thomas A. Smith. Services are held every Sunday at eleven o'clock A.M. Seats free.

The Sunday School connected with the church was organized in 1868. There are three teachers and twenty scholars. The library contains two hundred volumes. Meets at ten o'clock A.M. Superintendent, Thomas A. Smith.

*Church officers.*—Thomas A. Smith, Senior Warden; R. F. Fletcher, Junior Warden; B. F. Norton, M. G. Cobb, and A. S. Cheminant, Vestrymen.

#### St. Joseph's (Roman Catholic).

Location, corner of Santa Clara Avenue and Oak Street. Rev. William Gleeson, Pastor; residence, East Oakland. The lot, owned by this Parish, is fifty by one hundred and seventy-five feet, and cost \$600. A church edifice has been erected thereon during the present year at a cost of \$1,700. The congregation numbers about seventy.

Mass every Sunday at nine o'clock A.M. The Sunday School connected with the church numbers about thirty scholars. Meets at three o'clock P.M. Superintendent, Rev. William Gleeson.

#### First Presbyterian.

Location, corner of Central Avenue and Versailles Street. Rev. Edward Graham, Minister in charge; residence, south side of Santa Clara Avenue near Park Street.

This society was organized in February, 1865, and placed under the care of the Presbytery of San José, and in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. In June,