

During the summer of 1849 the congregation worshipped in a tent on Dupont Street, afterward in a store-room of the Custom House, and in the Superior Court Room, City Hall, until January 19th, 1851, when a neat Gothic edifice, capable of holding 700 persons, was dedicated. This house was destroyed by the great fire of 22d June, 1851. A plain building was immediately erected, in which the congregation worshipped until August, 1857; and from that time until May, 1858, their meetings were held in the Chinese Mission Chapel. Their present fine house of worship was built in the summer and autumn of 1857, at a cost of about \$50,000, including the lot, furniture, and fixtures. It is in the Gothic style of architecture throughout. The main building is 117 feet long, or to the outside of the tower, 123 feet, and is 61 feet wide. Rooms for the Pastor's study and social meetings are on the same floor with the audience room, which last is 81 by 58 feet, with a ceiling 39 feet high. A Sabbath School room, 57 by 36, is over the front apartments; on the north-east corner of the house is a brick tower, 96 feet in height. There is an organ gallery that will seat a choir of 40 persons. In all its arrangements the edifice is admirably adapted to its purpose, and at the same time is in accordance with true architectural taste.

During the last year a valuable organ has been added to the church, at an expense of \$5,000, and the church debt of over \$13,000 has been canceled, leaving the congregation entirely free from any liability.

**Officers**—Rev. W. C. Anderson, D.D., late Pastor; R. H. Waller, N. Gray, S. Hopkins, and John D. Arthur, Elders. Trustees: James Bowman, President; James K. S. Latham, Secretary; G. E. Rogers, Treasurer; Wm. N. Arthur, Joseph Gordon, R. J. Tiffany, W. H. Knight, Gerret W. Bell, Alexander Elder.

The Church is in a very prosperous condition. Present number of communicants, 250. S. B. Stoddard Superintendent Sabbath School. Number of scholars, 350; number of teachers, 42; average attendance, 300. A fine library of over 2,000 volumes is attached to the school.

#### Calvary Presbyterian Church.

Rev. CHARLES WADSWORTH, D.D., Pastor; residence, 920 Pine Street between Mason and Taylor. Location, north side of Bush Street between Montgomery and Sanson. Services every Sabbath at 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in winter months, and at 7½ P.M. in summer. Public Lecture Wednesday evening; Prayer Meeting Sabbath evening, one hour before the evening service. Young Men's Prayer Meeting on Saturday evening. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 9½ A.M.; James B. Roberts, Superintendent.

**Officers**—Elders: R. McKee, Henry P. Coon, James D. Thornton, James B. Roberts. Deacon: Edward Hagthorp. Trustees: F. Henderson, Alexander Campbell, James B. Roberts, H. H. Haight, Thomas H. Selby, C. Wittram, H. H. Bigelow, C. Clayton, and H. M. Newhall.

The church was erected in the fall of 1851, at a cost, including the lot, of about \$70,000. On its completion the property was largely in debt, but the debt was gradually reduced, and finally wholly extinguished. The whole property is now entirely free from debt, and the income of the church, now some \$13,000, from pew rents and Sabbath collections, is ample to meet all its current expenses. The church has a splendid organ, built by Henry Erben, of New York, which cost over \$8,000. This is, in all respects, the largest and most costly organ on the Pacific coast, and it has few superiors even in the Atlantic States. It has 46 stops and over 2000 pipes. The greatest variety of combinations can be made by the use of the various stops and couplings; and for

excellence of workmanship and sweetness of tone it has been pronounced by judges to be unsurpassed. The choir is under the efficient management of Mr. Washington Elliott, Mr. Gustave A. Scott being the organist.

The church building will seat comfortably 1,000 persons. The number of communicants is now about 425. The number of scholars and teachers in the Sabbath School is about 300; number of volumes in the library, 1,000, which were selected with great care and form a very complete library. Connected with the church is a depository of the books of the Presbyterian Board of Publication, in which there is kept a variety of the standard books and tracts published by that Board.

#### Howard Street, N. S., Presbyterian Church.

Pastor, Rev. Abbott E. Kittredge. Location, corner of Natoma and Jane streets. Organized September, 1850, to supply a portion of the city (Happy Valley) then destitute of religious privileges. Under the auspices of the Rev. S. H. Willey, who continued in the pastorate for twelve years, the building at present occupied by the congregation was dedicated, June 17, 1851. It was enlarged and thoroughly repaired in 1861, and now contains a neat and commodious Audience Room, besides Lecture Room, Sabbath School Room, etc., in the basement.

The church is in a very prosperous condition. Soon after the arrival of the present pastor, in the early part of 1864, the church building was found inadequate to the wants of the increasing congregation, and the Sabbath services were held in Platt's Hall, Montgomery Street, for several months, until about the end of July, when, the pastor's health requiring a journey to the Atlantic States, the old location was occupied, with the expectation that during the coming year a new house of worship will be erected upon a lot of ground already purchased, situated upon Mission Street, between Third and Fourth.

**Officers**—Elders: W. A. Palmer, E. Bigelow, G. W. Armes. Samuel I. C. Swezey. Trustees: S. H. Harmon, George W. Armes, I. E. Davis, S. I. C. Swezey, S. C. Bugbee, Cyrus Palmer. Superintendent of Sabbath School, G. W. Armes.

Public service every Sunday at 11 A.M. Sabbath School and Bible Class at 2 P.M.; number of teachers and officers, 44; scholars, 425; volumes in library, 1,400.

#### Larkin Street Presbyterian Church, O. S.

Location, corner of Larkin and Pacific streets. Rev. J. D. Strong, Pastor. **Officers**—Trustees: H. P. Coon, H. H. Haight, G. L. Kenny, S. H. Williams, E. R. Waterman, F. Leppien, and Robert Irwin. This enterprise was commenced by its present Pastor, in the Spring Valley School House, in April, 1862. A Union Sabbath School, under the superintendence of E. R. Waterman, had previously existed in the neighborhood for more than two years, but was not formally connected with the church movement till near the close of that year, when an effort was made to erect a house of worship, but failed for want of the requisite funds. During the following summer the effort was revived, and in September, 1863, a Board of Trustees was incorporated, a lot purchased at an expense of \$1,000, plans and specifications prepared by S. H. Williams, and the contract for building the church edifice let to J. W. Duncan. On the 4th September, 1864, the building was completed and dedicated. It is of wood, 72 feet long by 42 wide, and has seats for about 400 persons. Its architecture is plain and unpretending, but neat and tasteful, and it is one of the most substantial and thoroughly constructed wooden churches in the State. Its whole cost was a little over \$10,000.