

ifications in the Romanesque style have been introduced, adding materially to the light and graceful effect. The exterior is of a rich dark brown, and, with its lofty lantern, reminds one of "St. Dunstan's in the East," London, built by Sir Christopher Wren, and copied by him from the fine old church of St. Nicholas, Newcastle, England.

The interior is plain and elegant, and offering an auditorium in the clear of fifty feet by eighty, or one hundred and twenty feet in depth with the chancel. The walls are painted in imitation of stone; the ceiling which is divided with delicate tracery, springs gradually to the apex of the roof, and is painted light blue. The chancel is a model of neat, unpretending architecture, and with the pulpit, which is very high, is much in the old English style. A very attractive feature are the Ten Commandments, which fill up the niches at the rear of the chancel. The windows are lofty and divided into diamond-shaped sections by a lattice work of wood on the inside.

The lot, with the edifice and furniture, cost the society \$27,000.

### St. James Church.

Rev. F. DILLON EGAN, Rector; residence 7 O'Farrell Street.

St. James Church was organized January 19th, 1866, as a free Episcopal Church, with full choral and full ritual services. This church grew out of the Episcopal Mission Sunday School; W. G. Badger, Superintendent.

For a length of time they worshipped at Dasha-way Hall, but they now occupy a new and elegant structure of their own situated on the north side of Post Street, between Mason and Taylor.

This church has been built by the energy of a few persons, and will no doubt in a short time rank among the first churches on the Pacific coast; they have a surplused choir of some twenty boys, and the music would do credit to any city in the world. Services on Sundays are the Holy Communion, at 8 in the morning; full Choral Service and preaching at 11 A.M.; and preaching with the full Choral Service in the evening. Strangers are always welcome to this church, and seats are free to all.

This church will compare favorably with any other in this city; it is sixty by one hundred and thirty-seven feet, and seats one thousand people.

Officers—W. G. Badger, Senior Warden; Joseph White, Junior Warden; F. A. Fabens, Treasurer; Edward Stanly, Charles E. Hinckley, William Ingraham Kip Jr., T. M. Logan, Joseph Bluxome, W. A. Brown, W. R. Maurice, J. M. Willey and W. A. Parker, Vestrymen.

### St. Luke's Church.

Location south side of Pacific Street, between Polk and Van Ness Avenue; Rev. F. O. Barstow, Rector. Residence, north side Vallejo Street, between Leavworth and Hyde. Services, Sunday at 11 A.M. Sunday School at 2½ P.M.

The first services of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Spring Valley, which led to the organization of this church, was held by the Rev. Giles Easton, Assistant Rector of Grace Church, in Spring Valley School House, on Broadway, between Larkin and Polk, on the 4th of March, 1866.

A Sunday School was shortly after organized, with Mr. John Wigmore as Superintendent, and Mr. Edward Barry as Librarian. The Mission was at that time called St. Andrews' Church.

On the 12th of August, 1866, Rev. D. J. Lee took charge of the Mission, and changed the place of holding service to Pixley Hall, on the corner of Pacific and Polk streets. Shortly after a Society of Ladies, under the name of Martha Society, was formed, for the purpose of raising a fund to purchase

a lot and to erect a church building thereon. About this time the name of the Mission was changed to the Church of the Nativity.

The Rev. Dr. Lee having resigned in October, 1867, Rev. F. O. Barstow was appointed as Missionary to the station. At this time, there being no Superintendent of the Sunday School, W. R. Wadsworth, Esq., very kindly volunteered to act as such until the Minister could take charge himself, which he has now done (August 2d, 1868).

In March, 1868, the Ladies of the Martha Society were requested to furnish a name, by which this church is now known, and under which the Parish was incorporated. The building occupied by the congregation has been recently completed, and will accommodate nearly eight hundred persons.

### St. Peter's Church.

Services held at present every Sunday afternoon at the usual hour, in the German M. E. Church building, on Broadway between Stockton and Powell.

This Parish was organized in the early part of the fall of 1867, through the zealous efforts of several earnest Laymen, with a view to supplying the large population, resident in that portion of the city, known as the North Beach, with the ministrations of the Church. On many accounts a difficult field of labor, it is hoped that in time, through faith and earnest missionary zeal, a self-supporting Parish will be established there.

A Sunday School has been organized, and is in a very flourishing condition. The Parish is incorporated, and also admitted into communion with the Diocesan Convention.

It has been favored with the ministrations of several of the city clergy, especially the Rev. H. D. Lathrop. At present the officiating Minister is the Rev. F. O. Barstow. The Vestry hope soon to secure a house of worship better suited to the wants of the Parish.

Officers—W. K. Benjamin and H. T. Graves, Wardens; Charles Jackson, Samuel Graves, W. W. Wood, Stephen Fletcher, D. O. Kelley, A. B. Graves, Vestrymen.

### METHODIST.

#### Powell Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

Location, west side of Powell Street between Washington and Jackson.

M. C. Briggs, Pastor.

Residence, 1008 Washington Street.

Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and in the evening at 7½. Sunday School at 2½ P.M.

This is the oldest M. E. church in the city, having been organized in 1849 by Rev William Taylor. Some of the members of this church have witnessed the spread of their denomination in California, from its feeble beginning among them, until it now numbers over 40,000 communicants and about 40,000 hearers.

The present officers of the church are as follows: Revs. E. Thomas, D.D., S. D. Simonds, Rob. Beeching, J. N. Bird, M. D., Resident Ministers; John Truebody, Annis Merrill, John Sims, A. A. White, A. Walker, R. P. Spier, E. Furbush, J. T. McLean, J. M. Johnson, and J. W. Cherry, Stewards and Trustees; R. G. Davisson, Superintendent of Sunday School.

#### Howard Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. H. Cox, D. D. Pastor; residence Hubbard Street, in rear of church. Location, Howard street, between Second and Third. Sunday morning and evening service at the usual hours. Sunday School