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Officers.—Annis Merrill, President; Rev. W. A. Scott, D.D., LL.D., Rev. A. L. Stone, D.D., Rev. Robert Patterson, D.D., Rev. T. M. Cunningham, D.D., Rev. T. K. Noble, Rev. H. D. Lathrop, D.D., Rev. Thomas Guard, D.D., Rev. John Hemphill, Rev. Otis Gibson, Rev. Sylvester Woodbridge, D.D., Rev. H. A. Sawtelle, D.D., of San Francisco, Rev. Lucius Hamilton, of Oakland, Rev. W. H. Hill, of Los Angeles, Rev. I. E. Dwinell, of Sacramento, Rev. S. B. Morse, of Stockton, Rev. T. H. Sinex, of Santa Clara, Rev. S. Willey, D.D., of Santa Cruz, Vice-Presidents.

CHURCH SOCIETY OF ST. FRANCIS PARISH.—Organized February, 1874. Number of members, twenty-five hundred. Meets monthly at St. Francis' Church.

The object of the society is to promote the spiritual and temporal well-being of the parish, and to co-operate with the clergy in all matters in which they may require the assistance of the laity.

Officers.—Myles D. Sweeny, President; Robert J. Tobin, Vice-President; John Mulholland, Secretary; Rev. John Harrington, Treasurer.

LADIES' PASTORAL AID SOCIETY OF TRINITY CHURCH.—Organized 1873. Meets every Friday at Trinity Church, after morning service. The object of the society is to take under its care the destitute and friendless within the bounds of Trinity Church Parish, to find employment for those requiring it, and to provide clothing and assistance for such as may be in need of it; to visit and comfort the sick and the afflicted; to endeavor to bring to the church those who are neglectful of its services, and particularly the poorer and friendless classes; to gather children into the Sunday School, and to aid in providing active and competent teachers; in short, to do all in its power, under the guidance and direction of the Rector of the parish, to advance the interests of the Church of Christ, and to extend to those around the privileges and blessings of the gospel.

Officers.—Mrs. Charles C. Keeney, President; Mrs. H. W. Beers, Vice-President; Miss — Maynard, Secretary; Mrs. E. W. Phillips, Treasurer.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH UNION.—Organized December, 1875. Objects: To sustain a city missionary, promote city evangelization, organize Sunday schools, and to co-operate with the city churches generally.

Officers.—Rev. J. H. Wythe, D.D., President; Annis Merrill, Vice-President; Charles Lombard, Secretary; William Abbott, Treasurer; Rev. C. J. Lovejoy, City Missionary.

NEW JERUSALEM TRACT AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY.—Established 1872, for the collection and distribution of tracts, books, and publications. D. W. Hunt, Manager; office, 1719 Market Street.

PACIFIC PRESBYTERIAN UNION.—Organized October, 1875. Composed of the laity of the several Presbyterian Churches of the City. Objects: The advancement of the interests of Presbyterianism upon the Pacific Coast, mission work, and evangelization.

The Union meets on the second Monday of each month at the different churches. The Board of Directors meet on the first Monday of each month. A complete directory of all the members of the Presbyterian Churches upon the Pacific Coast will be kept by the Union.

Officers.—H. H. Judson, President; D. W. Horsburgh, Vice-President; Edward Kerr, Recording Secretary; F. A. Berlin, Corresponding Secretary; C. C. Kennedy, Treasurer.

SAN FRANCISCO CHRISTIAN SABBATH SOCIETY.—Organized by a general convention, at Sacramento, January 4, 1865. Reorganized at San Francisco, June 7, 1866. Object: To promote, by the presentation of light and motive through the press, pulpit, and other agencies, a better observance of the Christian Sabbath.

Officers.—H. D. Lathrop, D.D., President.

SAN FRANCISCO PORT SOCIETY.—Organized March, 1860. Objects: The moral improvement of seamen, and others connected with the sea, in this port, by aiding the American Seaman's Friend Society of New York in sustaining the Mariners' Church of San Francisco, and in

such enterprises connected therewith as the society may approve. The society is organized and sustained on the principle that it belongs properly to the people of California to provide religious privileges and instructions for the sailors belonging to and visiting this port. Any person may become a member by paying \$5 a year, or a life member by the payment at one time of \$50.

In 1866 they erected a fine house of worship for the seamen of this port, on the corner of Sacramento and Drumm streets, at a cost, for lot and house, of more than \$20,000, the larger part of which was contributed for the purpose by citizens of San Francisco and others, and \$6,000, the balance, was raised by loan secured by mortgage on the lot. This has since been paid and the Society is now free from debt.

Officers.—Oliver Eldridge, President; Henry P. Blanchard, Vice-President; J. Rowell, Secretary; Robert Balfour, Treasurer; Ira P. Rankin, J. T. Dean, I. W. Raymond, Charles Goodall, Robert Balfour, David Meeker, Henry Chester, and J. Rowell, Trustees.

SODALITY OF THE B. V. M.—Organized December, 1861. Meetings held every Sunday morning, at half past nine o'clock, in the basement of St. Ignatius' Church, on Market Street, between Fourth and Fifth. Organizations of the above sodalities have existed for the past two hundred years. This sodality was founded in this city by the Rev. J. M. C. Buchard, S. J., having for its object the moral and intellectual improvement of its members. It is directed by a Chaplain, and governed by a Prefect and two assistants, together with a Secretary, Treasurer, and twelve consultants. It has a library of about three thousand volumes, which is being increased continually. Number of members about six hundred. The Ladies' Sodality of the B. V. M. meets every Sunday at half past two o'clock P.M. Number of members, two hundred and fifty. Volumes in library, about fifteen hundred. Present Director is Rev. M. L. Accolti, S. J.

UNION MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Organized March 11, 1874. The objects of this society are to visit the poor and sick, and follow the example of our Saviour by going about doing good and administering to the wants of the needy. They also propose to establish a sewing school for poor girls, and to extend such facilities as may be deemed advisable for their future well-being; also a laundry for the purpose of giving employment to women in need of work. The society is only in the initiative, and for the time being the members meet at the residence of the President, 915 Jones Street.

Officers.—Mrs. E. W. Sherwood, President; Mrs. S. M. Gardner, Vice-President; Mrs. T. B. Horton, Secretary; Miss J. Paddock, Treasurer.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Incorporated September 13, 1853. The objects of this Association are:

1st. The improvement of the physical, mental, and spiritual condition of its members, the development of their charity and zeal, and the extension of the Christian religion, especially to such as are not in the habit of attending public worship in the churches.

2d. To unite the members, particularly the young men of the various churches and congregations of this city, in such work of charity as are not specially provided for by the churches themselves; such as

First—Giving pecuniary aid and other assistance to the young and needy of both sexes, especially to such as are strangers in our city, whether from the rural portions of our State or elsewhere.

Second—By directing them to suitable homes and assisting to proper companions of their own sex, and also to useful employment wherever practicable.

Third—By providing medical attendance and watchers for the sick and dying.

Fourth—By providing for the decent interment of such as may die under our care and protection.

Fifth—To co-operate in systematic and persevering effort for the reformation of young criminals of both sexes.

For the attainment of the foregoing objects, there shall be provided and maintained: A library and bath rooms, free to all members of this association. A reading room, well supplied with current literature, daily, weekly, plebeian, secular, and religious papers, free to all such as conform to the rules and regulations issued by the Board of Managers from time to time. There shall also be provided, in as many of the rooms in the building of this association as may be available, plain, clean, and suitable beds and clothing, etc., for the temporary accommodation of such needy persons as may be deemed worthy. The libra-