

edifice which they now occupy, for the sum of \$700. Mr. John Lane, a local preacher, then took charge and officiated about one year. Since his connection with the church ceased, several local preachers officiated successively until the Spring of 1872, when the Rev. James Dorsey took charge, in 1874 he was succeeded by the Rev. James B. Sanderson, who officiated until his death in August of the present year.

The Sunday school connected with the church was organized in 1868. It has an attendance of about forty teachers and scholars. Meets at one o'clock P.M. Superintendent, William Harris.

Officers.—Abram Gross, Isaac Flood, and Prince Williams, Stewards; Cornelius Francis Abram Gross, Isaac Flood, William Wesley, George Howard, Isaac West, and Lewis Whiting, Trustees.

GERMAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Rev. F. Bonn, Pastor; dwelling, south side Brown Street, between Telegraph Avenue and Grove Street. This church was organized in the Fall of 1872, with a membership of eight.

Services are held every Sunday at three P.M., at the Methodist Church, corner Ninth and Washington streets. The congregation contemplate erecting a church edifice of their own as soon as practicable.

The Sunday school connected with the church meets at two o'clock P.M.

Officers.—Christian Rode and August Kaese, Stewards.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Location, northeast corner of Franklin and Fourteenth streets. Rev. James Eells, D.D., Pastor; residence, southwest corner Telegraph Avenue and Hobart Street.

This church was organized March 26, 1853, and admitted to the Presbytery of San Francisco on the eighth of November of that year, making it the oldest church organization in Oakland. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was first celebrated in the Oakland Free School, Rev. S. B. Bell officiating. Some years afterwards the society built a frame church edifice at the corner of Seventh and Webster streets. This building was in a few years more moved to the southeast corner of Thirteenth and Broadway streets, when the society purchased a small piece of land, one hundred feet on Broadway and one hundred and fifty feet on Thirteenth streets. In 1874 the society sold this land for \$24,000, and obtained \$2,000 for the building. With this proceeds they immediately began to erect the present convenient and handsome structure, now occupied by them, on the corner of Fourteenth and Franklin streets, the corner stone of which was laid April 24, 1875.

The lot on which this church stands has a frontage, on the north side of Fourteenth Street, of one hundred and fifty feet, and on the east side of Franklin of two hundred and six feet. The building fronts on Fourteenth Street, to the south. The main building is one hundred feet wide, ninety-four feet deep, and seventy-two feet high at the apex. This contains an auditorium a little more than semi-circular in form, ninety-six feet wide, seventy-six feet deep on first floor (eighty-five feet including gallery over vestibule), and fifty-five feet high, and contains one hundred and sixty pews, and seats seven hundred and fifty-six persons on first floor. The towers are eighteen feet square; the more lofty one, one hundred and ninety-five feet and the other one hundred and forty feet high. Over the vestibule is a gallery gained by a staircase in either tower, which contains thirty-four pews, besides wall seats, and will seat two hundred and fifty persons, making the total capacity of the church one thousand and six. The auditorium is lighted in the evening by a sun-burner suspended from the ceiling, about forty-five feet from the

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