

mento. The first regular pastor, the Rev. Joseph Harrington, arrived August 27th, 1852, and died November 2d of the same year, of Panama fever. The second regular pastor, Rev. F. T. Gray, arrived June, 1853, and left in June, 1854, and died in Boston in February, 1855. The third regular pastor, the Rev. R. P. Cutler, arrived August 31st, 1854, and continued his ministrations without intermission until June 1st, 1859, at which time he resigned his charge and left for New York. The Rev. John A. Buckingham then officiated as temporary pastor until April 5th, 1860. The late pastor, Rev. Thomas Starr King, arrived here with his family, April 28th, 1860, and commenced his ministrations the following day (Sunday) before one of the largest congregations ever assembled in this city.

During the period of Mr. King's ministry, the society extinguished a long standing debt of twenty thousand dollars, and erected a new church on Geary Street near Stockton, at a cost of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars, all of which has been paid. It is one of the most beautiful structures our city contains, and is remarkable for the purity of its architectural design and its interior beauty.

Upon the death of Thomas Starr King, on the fourth of March, 1864, Rev. Dr. Henry W. Bellows, of All Saints Church, New York, President of the Sanitary Commission, and one of the most distinguished and influential ministers of the denomination, responded to an earnest call from the society, and left New York within a few weeks to fill the pulpit thus vacant, for a period of six months.

The Rev. Horatio Stebbins of Portland, Maine, who had received a unanimous call from the society, became the permanent pastor the following September. Since then the society has enjoyed its accustomed prosperity.

The pews of the Church are not owned by individuals, but belong to the society, whose organic laws require that they shall be rented annually at auction to the highest bidder. A clause in the new Constitution of the society provides that the property shall never be pledged, mortgaged, or incumbered for any purpose whatever.

Officers—Horace Davis, Moderator; Geo. C. Hickox, Treasurer; S. L. Cutler, Jr., Secretary; C. L. Low, William Pierce, W. C. Hinekey, Horatio Frost, James Otis and Orlando Lawton, Trustees.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Chinese Mission House.

Location northeast corner Stockton and Sacramento streets. Rev. A. W. LOOMIS, Pastor; residence, northeast corner Stockton and Sacramento streets.

Religious services in the Chinese language on each Sabbath afternoon and evening, and also on Thursday evening. An evening school is open throughout the week, also a Sabbath school. The house is brick, and was built by the liberality of the citizens of San Francisco, and by funds from the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, whose office is in New York, by which the Mission to the Chinese in California is supported. The house contains school rooms in the basement; on the first floor is a chapel which will seat nearly three hundred persons, and on the second, apartments for the accommodation of the Missionary family.

The Mariners' Church.

Location, NE corner of Sacramento and Drumm streets. Rev. J. ROWELL, Pastor; residence, 1206 California street.

This church was organized with six members, in

December, 1858, and now numbers one hundred and twenty. Public worship every Sabbath at 11 o'clock, A.M., and 3 and 7½, P.M. There is connected with the church a Sabbath School and Bible Class, numbering more than one hundred teachers and scholars. The house of worship is a commodious wooden building, on Sacramento Street, corner of Drumm. It was erected in 1867 by contributions from merchants and other citizens of San Francisco.

Officers—Rev. J. Rowell, Pastor and Chaplain of the American Seaman's Friend Society, who has labored here since August, 1858; Henry Chestor and Rasmus Poulson, Deacons.

This church finds a wide field for usefulness, in the usual church services, a large Bible Class for seamen and strangers, a Sabbath religious reading room, weekly meetings of the S. F. Marine Temperance Society, several Prayer Meetings on week day evenings, preaching on the Sabbath and personal labor during the week at the U. S. Marine Hospital, distribution of bibles and tracts on shipboard, boarding houses, and elsewhere, and missionary labors about the streets, wharves, and shipping, and on board several men-of-war, and other seagoing vessels. It is an undenominational missionary church.

During the year 1860 a Society was formed among the business men of San Francisco, having for its object the moral improvement of seamen, called the San Francisco Port Society. It seeks to attain its object by sustaining the preaching of the Gospel, and other missionary labors in connection with the Mariners' Church.

The officers of the society for the present year, are: Oliver Eldridge, President; R. B. Swain, Vice President; J. Rowell, Secretary; David N. Hawley, Treasurer; Ira P. Rankin, Levi Stevens, David N. Hawley, Wm. H. Stowell, I. W. Raymond, J. T. Dean, Dr. J. T. McLean, J. Rowell, and James F. Stewart, Trustees.

Disciples of Christ.

Congregation of Disciples of Christ (Christian Church) meets every Lord's Day Morning at 11 o'clock, in the University School Hall, 318 Post Street, opposite Union Square. Sunday School, 1 P.M. Pastor, vacant. Membership, fifty.

First German Evangelical Lutheran Church, Reorganized.

Mission Street between Second and Third. Rev. F. MOOSHAKA, Pastor; residence 245 Stevenson Street, between Third and Fourth. Service every Sabbath at 11 o'clock, A. M. Sunday School at 10 o'clock, A. M.

United German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of St. Mark's Church.

Geary street between Stockton and Powell. Rev. F. HANSEN and Rev. R. HERING Pastors. Services in the German language every Sunday at 10½ o'clock, A. M.

Officers—President, H. Bolander; Vice President, August Tietmann; Secretary, Edward Kruse; Treasurer, Frederick Putzmann; Board of Directors on Church Matters, H. F. Maas, James Nibbe, F. W. Reinhardt, D. George and E. Schnaeter. Board of Directors on School Matters, H. G. Labohm, D. Barkhaus and Peter Spreckels.

The consolidation of the First German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Greenwich Street, and the German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of St. Mark's Church, was unanimously ratified at the meeting of Tuesday, the twenty-third of July, 1867.

The Sunday School connected with the church is conducted by L. Michaelis.