ST. ANNE'S CHURCH,

(EPISCOPAL,

Is situated on Merrimac Street, between Anne and Kirk Streets. A parish was organized in February 26, 1824, a place of worship provided, and divine service was performed for the first time in what is now known as Lowell, on Sunday, March 7, 1824, by Rev. Theodore Edson, D. D., its first and only Rector to the present day. Its first Wardens were Allan Pollock and Warren Culburn.

KIRK STREET CHURCH.
(ORTHODOX.)
Church organized and Pastor installed, May 21, 1845. House dedicated, December 17, 1846.
Rev. Amos Blanchard, Pastor.

APPLETON STREET CHURCH.
(ORTHODOX.)
FIRST CONGREGATIONALIST CHURCH.

(ORTHODOX.)

Merrimac, above Worthen Street.

The John St. Congregational Church.

Was organized May 9th, 1339, with about 200 Members, mostly from the First Congregational Church, and the Appleton St. Church. Their Meeting-house was erected in 1839, at an expense of $20,000, and was dedicated in January, 1840. Rev. S. W. Hanks was ordained March 20, 1840, and dismissed February 3, 1853; on the same day Rev. E. B. Foster was installed over the John Street Church, and is its Pastor at the present time.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Church Street.

This house was erected in 1826, and dedicated November 15th of the same year. The structure has been remodelled and enlarged, and is now 84 feet long and 58 feet wide, capable of seating about 1100 persons. The tower is furnished with a fine-toned bell and the choir with an organ. The house is finely located, on the corner of Church and George Streets, on a lot of land containing 10,300 square feet, given for the purpose by Mr. Thomas Hurd.

The church was constituted in 1826, and was publicly recognized February 8th of that year. The original number of members was 23; the present number is 840. There have been six pastors, viz:—

John Cookson, installed Nov. 15, 1826; dismissed Aug. 5, 1827.
Enoch W. Freeman, installed June 4, 1828; died Sept. 1835.
Joseph Ballard, installed Dec. 25, 1837; dismissed Sept. 1, 1845.
Daniel C. Eddy, ordained Jan. 29, 1845; dismissed 1856.
Wm. H. Alden, installed June 10, 1857, present pastor.

This church has been the parent of several others which have sprung from it, and its existence runs parallel with nearly the whole history of the city, it being the second church organized, and its house of worship the second religious edifice erected.
WORTHEN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.

This house was built in 1838. The audience room has 131 pews, exclusive of orchestra, and will seat about 800 persons.

The church was organized 1831, and has had six pastors, viz:—

James Barnaby, recognized July 5, 1832; dismissed August 24, 1835.

Lemuel Porter, recognized Oct. 29, 1835; dismissed March 28, 1851.

J. W. Smith, ordained March 30, 1851; dismissed June 24, 1853.

D. D. Winn, ordained September 14, 1853.

Thomas D. Worrall.

J. W. Bonham, installed November 5, 1857.
THIRD BAPTIST CHURCH. John Street.

The Third Baptist Church in Lowell was organized the first Sabbath in August, 1840. They worshipped in the City and Wentworth Halls, until they erected a neat brick house of worship on John street which will seat seven hundred persons. It was dedicated in February, 1846. The following persons have served as pastors: John G. Naylor, Ira Person, John Dueran, Sereno Howe and John Duer, the present Pastor.

FIRST FREE-WILL BAPTIST CHURCH.

L. G. Howe, Cyrus Latham, Temple Tebbetts, Joseph Neal, Joseph S. Howe, Standing Committee; L. H. Latham, Clerk; Cyrus Latham, Treasurer.
WORTHEN STREET METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CENTRAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
ST. PAUL'S M. E. CHURCH.

Hurd Street.

This Church was erected in 1839, at an expense of $18,500. It is a spacious brick edifice, seating from twelve to thirteen hundred people.

Its first Board of Trustees consisted of seven men, viz: Edward Winslow, Curtis Morse, Ferdinald Rodiff, John L. Trip, Wm. North, Roswell Douglass and Nathan Sanborn.


Being in a pleasant and central part of the city, it is attended by a large congregation.

CENTRAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

(See view of Church on opposite page.)

Corner of Merrimac and Central Streets.

REV. ISAAC S. CUSHMAN, PASTOR.

This Society was organized in April, 1854. The original members of the Society came from the Worthen Street and St. Paul's M. E. Churches of this city.
FREE CHAPEL.

Middlesex Street.

The Chapel building was erected by the Hamilton and Appleton Corporations to afford school-rooms to the inhabitants of this section of the city on its first settlement. The second story has been occupied since August, 1844, by the Lowell Missionary Society, who established in it a worship which should be freely open to all persons; which should be in no sense sectarian; which should seek to draw to itself the neglected, the erring, and the wandering young. In October of that year the Rev. Horatio Wood was invited to become the Minister of the Chapel, with the designation of Minister at Large. It was to be his special duty to seek out and minister, daily, to the temporal and spiritual wants of the poor of the city. In 1846, the second and basement stories of the building began to be used for the intended operations of the ministry. The additional rooms are occupied for an office of business and consultation, a clothes room in which are collected and arranged every article of wear and comfort for distribution among the needy, and a sewing school for children and adults. Free Evening Schools were started in 1845, and conducted by the Minister at Large. Established by the city in 1855. Rev. H. Wood was from the beginning, and is still, Superintendent of two schools: one at the Free Chapel on Middlesex street; the other at Suffolk Hall on Suffolk street. Kept in the winter season, two evenings each, per week, Teaching voluntary. Number of teachers 50; scholars, about 1000. From $400 to $800 are given annually to the poor, in fuel, groceries, clothing, &c., &c. The charity is intelligent, inquiring and systematic. Its plans of usefulness have been various and successful. The Institution has been well sustained by the citizens generally, and the united manufacturing corporations of the city.
HIGH STREET CHURCH.

(ORTHODOX.)


FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.
SECOND UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.
Corner of Market and Shattuck Streets.

The House was dedicated November, 1838.

Pastors.—Z. Thompson, A. C. Thomas, A. A. Miner, L. J. Fletcher,
L. B. Mason, I. D. Williamson, N. M. Gaylord, J. S. Dennis,
Charles Cravens, C. H. Dutton, present Pastor, settled June, 1856.
David Tapley, Clerk.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY.
(See view of Church on preceding page.)

Corner of Central and Green Streets.

Organized, July, 1827. Church erected on Chapel street, 1828,
and removed to its present location, 1837.

Pastors.—Eliphalet Case, settled 1828; left 1830. Calvin Gardner,
settled 1830; left 1833. Thomas B. Thayer, settled 1833; left 1845.
Elbridge G. Brooks, settled 1845; left 1846. Uriah Clark, settled
1846; left 1850. Thomas B. Thayer, resettled 1851; left Oct., 1857.
Lemuel Page, Treasurer; D. H. Dean, Clerk.
CHURCH OF THE FIRST UNITARIAN SOCIETY.

Merrimac Street.

This building, containing five stores in the first story, was erected in 1832, at a cost of $32,000.

The church is capable of holding about 900 persons; is neatly and tastefully finished inside; has an organ costing $1,800; a free Parish Library, of about 3,000 volumes, mostly of standard works; and has, separated from it by the court, a vestry, costing $3,500, all of which are owned by the society, without any incumbrance.

Rev. William Barry was the first Pastor for five years, ending 1836. Rev. Henry A. Miles, the second Pastor, from 1836 to 1853. Rev. Theodore Tebbets, the third Pastor, from 1855 to 1856. Rev. Frederic Hinckley, the fourth and present Pastor, installed October, 1856.

Officers for 1857.—John Wright, John Nesmith, Abner W. Buttrick, Hapgood Wright, John F. Kimball, Wm. P. Brazer, Financial Committee; John B. McAlvin, Treasurer and Collector; Joseph F. Trott, Secretary.
The Second Unitarian Society was organized August 2, 1845, and a church constituted in connection with it, April 14, 1846. The places of worship for the Society, were the Hall over the Lowell Savings Institution, and Mechanics Hall, till the erection of the very commodious church edifice on Lee street. This was dedicated July 10, 1850.

The pastors of the Society have been: —

Rev. M. A. H. Niles, from April 8, 1846, to July 17, 1847.
Rev. Wm. Barry, from December 12, 1847, to April 18, 1853.
Rev. Augustus Woodbury, from September 4, 1853, to April 1, 1857
Now vacant. Wm. Lamson, jr., Clerk.
ST. MARY’S CHURCH.

(Roman Catholic.)

Suffolk, near Lowell Street.

Organized, 1847. Rev. James T. McDermott, Pastor

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ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH.

(ROMAN CATHOLIC.)

Fenwick Street.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

(Roman Catholic.)

Corner of Gorham and Appleton Streets.