

persons. The compact little building fronts on to Wellington Street, almost directly opposite to the "County News" Office, and is in the Gothic style of architecture. The chapel was opened on Saturday, March 10th, 1894. Services are held on Sunday morning, afternoon, and evening, and on Thursday evening. The Welsh name for the chapel is "Capel Cymreig." The pastor is the Rev. Thomas Hughes.

Welsh Chapel, Wellington Street.—Services, Sunday 10-30 a m and 6-15 p m. Sunday School, 2-30 p m. Church and prayer meeting held alternately every Thursday evening at 7-30. Reading classes during winter months for adults, Monday evening at 7-30. Tuesday evening at 6-30, band of hope and at 8 o'clock, junior reading class. Pastor, Rev Thomas Hughes, Gwynfa, Dale Street.

### BAPTIST.

**BAPTIST CHAPEL.**—The Baptists made an attempt in 1831 to establish a church in Stockport, but it was not until 1836 that anything material was done, the old Grammar School being then taken for the purpose of meetings. Towards the close of the year 1837 (Queen's ascension to the throne) Mr. Charles Baker visited the town, but though he laboured diligently there was but little result until a well-known townsman expressed his conversion, and in the presence of a large number of people was immersed in the river. This induced many to attend the services. In 1840 a chapel was opened in Greek Street, capable of seating 750 persons. The Rev. Mr. Baker continued his work until 1845, and he has been succeeded by the following pastors:—The Revs. John Russell, John Davis, James Martin, B.A., Joseph Pywell, and W. H. Thomas, the present pastor. The present chapel in Greek Street is an ornate building, designed in the Romanesque style. The interior is most pleasant, and seats 1,000 people. The foundation-stone was laid on July 1st, 1868, by Mr. Henry Kelsall, of Rochdale, and the opening services were held on July 1st, 1869. The triple porch at the main entrance facing Greek Street, is of richly carved stone, and the total cost of the construction was £4,000.

Baptist—Greek Street Chapel: Rev W H Thomas. Services, Sunday, 10-30 a m and 6 15 p m, and Tuesday, 7-30 p m.

### METHODIST NEW CONNEXION.

**METHODIST NEW CONNEXION.**—The grand and massive building of the new Mount Tabor Methodist New Connexion Chapel is well known to us all, standing as it does upon so prominent a site. Indeed it would be difficult to find a more suitable position for a place of worship than that at the junction of Edward Street and Wellington Road South. After the famous Wesleyan Conference dispute of 1796 the "New Connexion" was formed, and the Stockport branch built the first Mount Tabor in 1798. This was a plain brick building erected in London Square, and in 1865 it was sold to the Temperance Society, who converted it into a public hall, for which purpose it is used to-day. The foundation-stone of the present structure was laid on October 25th, 1865, by Alderman Ephraim Hallam, J.P., of Oakwood Hall, Romiley, who was during all his long life a generous supporter of this and other worthy movements. About 1,000 persons can be seated in the chapel. The Rev. Dr. Cooke, of London, opened the building on May 14th, 1869, when the collections amounted to £345. The total cost of the building, with the enclosures, was over £9,000. The Rev. Harry Rowe is the minister.

Methodist New Connexion.—Mount Tabor, Portwood, and Cheadle Heath, Rev Harry Rowe, superintendents, Wellington Road South; S. O. Ryder, Brinnington, Portwood; C. A. Davis, School Street, Cheadle Heath. Services, Mount Tabor, morning 10-30, evening 6-15; others, morning 10-30, evening 6.

### UNITARIAN.

**UNITARIAN CHURCH.**—This handsome Gothic edifice, standing next to the Public Baths in St. Petersgate, was built in 1841, at a cost of £3,000, and was opened for worship on March 23rd, 1842, by the Rev. Henry Montgomery, LL.D. Trimmer, in his work entitled, "Architecture," thus describes the church:—"Among the modern places of worship belonging to this body may be noticed the Unitarian Church at Stockport, one of the first attempts at the revival of ecclesiastical architecture in the early English style. As a whole it is an exceedingly clever specimen.

The recess, containing the pulpit, desk, and communion, together with its connection with the vestries, displays considerable taste and judgment." In this church is a monument erected to the memory of William Henry Coppock, who died on March 26th, 1870, whilst Town Clerk of Stockport. Beneath the church is a large room used as a Sunday school. The responsible position of minister is to-day held by the Rev. B. C. Constable, B.A. The first Unitarian meeting house in Stockport was built in 1721 in High Street, and was used for 120 years. It was taken down in 1860, but the graveyard remains to this day.

Unitarian, St. Petersgate.—Rev B C Constable, B.A. Services, Sunday morning 10-45, evening 6-30.

### OTHER PLACES OF WORSHIP.

Christian Meeting House (Iron Chapel), Wood Street, King Street West—Services, Sunday morning, 10-30, evening, 6-30. Various preachers.

Christadelphian Synagogue, Wellington Road North—Services, Sunday morning, 10-30, evening 6-30; Thursday, 7-30 p m. Various preachers.

Gospel Hall ("Plymouth Brethren"), 30, Brewery Street, Portwood (late Working Men's Club Rooms)—Lord's day, 10-30 a m, breaking of bread meeting; 2-15 p m, Sunday school; 6 p m, children's meeting; 6-45 p m, gospel meeting. Wednesday, 7 p m, children's meeting; 8 p m, prayer and Bible reading meeting.

New Swedenborgian Church, Bramhall Lane.

Salvation Army, Middle Hillgate, and Short Street, Heaton Norris.—Various preachers. Sunday services, morning 7 and 11, afternoon 3, and evening 6-30. Week-days, 8 p.m.

Stockport Society of Spiritualists (Hall of Spiritual Progress, Wellington Road North).—Speakers, various. Sunday services at 2-30 and 6-30 p m; Children's Progressive Lyceum, 10-30 a m.

Society of Friends.—Meeting-house, Lower Hillgate; various preachers. Services: Sunday morning, 10-45 a m, evening 6-30.

### P.S.A. Societies.

Baptist, Greek-street: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. George Meanley. Secretary, Mr. W. Grunley, 79, Chapel Street, Hazel Grove. Bethesda, Heaton Norris: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. John Firth. Secretary, Mr. James Hitchon, 10, All Saints' Road, Heaton Norris.

Buxton Road Men's Meeting, Congregational Chapel: Secretary, Mr. B. Hopkinson, 11, Countess Street, Heaviley.

Congregational, Wellington Road S.: 2-45-3-45 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. H. S. Jackson. Secretary, Mr. J. Moore, 234, Wellington Road South.

Edgeley Men's Meeting, Castle Street: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Conductors, Messrs. Bennett and Jackson. Secretary, Mr. S. Davies, 29, Greek street.

Hanover, Lancashire Hill: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. L. Stevenson. Secretary, Mr. Stewart Dexter, 7, Grimshaw Street.

Heaton Mersey Wesleyan Chapel, Station Road: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. F. C. Smith. Secretary, Mr. J. C. Gibson, 15, Beech Road.

Mount Tabor P.W.E., Wellington Road South: 8-9 Wednesday evening. President, Rev. H. Rowe. Sec., R. P. Henshaw, Firecroft, Davenport.

Portwood (Methodist New Connexion Chapel): 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Conductor, Alderman W. Lister. Secretary, Mr. M. Jones, 30, Alpine Road.

Reddish Green Wesleyan Chapel: 3-4 every Sunday. Conductor, Mr. E. E. Jones. Secs., Messrs. J. C. Brentnall, jun., and G. W. Seager.

Trinity (Wellington Road South): 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Conductor, Councillor T. Rowbotham. Sec., Mr. E. N. Davenport, 128, Grenville Street.

Union Chapel (Little Moor): 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Leader, Rev. E. Hedley, Offerton Lane. Sec., Mr. W. G. Dean, 30, Park Lane, Stockport.

Wilmslow Men's Meeting: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. W. Galloway. Sec., Mr. T. Roberts, Water Lane, Wilmslow.

Woodley (Primitive Chapel): 3-4 every Sunday. Leader, Mr. John Cocks. Sec., Mr. S. Broadbent, Boathouse Cottage, Woodley.

Wycliffe, Heaton Norris: 2-30-3-30 every Sunday. Conductor, Mr. T. H. Cumberland. Sec., Mr. Bardsley, 53, Lloyd Street, Heaton Norris.

Note.—The above Societies form the P.S.A. Local Union; hon. sec., Councillor W. Mackenzie, 13, Hardcastle Road, Stockport.