

# HISTORY

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## FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

— OF THE —

CITY OF LANCASTER, PA.,

— FROM —

1807 to 1893.

WITH SOME ACCOUNT OF EARLIER EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH  
METHODISM IN LANCASTER.

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### APPENDIX

CONTAINING A SKETCH OF ST. PAUL'S M. E. CHURCH, BY THE  
PASTOR, AND "CONESTOGA'S" NOTES ON THE  
CONFERENCE OF 1855.

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## PART IX.

### THE NEW CHURCH; ITS DEDICATION; SERVICES THE WEEK FOLLOWING. JUNE 12 TO 19, 1892.

The new church described in *The New Era*; the church and its furnishing; the memorial windows; the builder and furnishers; the building committee; notices in the daily papers; dedicatory services; a great day for the Methodists; the order of the services; sermon by Bishop Foss; abstract of the sermon; the collection; the afternoon exercises; a surprise to many; the gift of the Sunday-school; services in the evening; illness of the Rev. C. C. McCabe; account of the first church owned by the Methodists in Lancaster, given by the pastor, by request; the collection; presentation by the Ladies' Aid Society; dedication by Bishop Foss; benediction by Presiding Elder Dr. Hargis.

Services in week following dedication; sermon by the Rev. S. H. C. Smith; sermon by the Rev. J. T. Satchell; reunion of pastors and members; sermon by the Rev. J. R. T. Gray, D. D.; sermon by the Rev. S. M. Vernon, D. D.; Sunday, June 10, 1892; large congregations; sermon by the Rev. Joseph E. Smith, D. D., LL. D.; evening sermon by the pastor; interesting services; climax of the purpose of the fathers; a crown to the labors of Phillip Benedict and others.

**T**HE NEW ERA, one of the daily papers of Lancaster, in its issue for June 11, 1892, devoted much of its space to a description of the new church and the events leading to its erection. From its columns much of what follows has been transferred: