

PICTURES

OF

Unitarian Churches,

WITH

EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

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PREFACE.



THESE few pictures of Unitarian Churches are nearly all of them printed from the wood-blocks lent by Mrs. Spears, having been brought out by her late husband, at intervals, through several years, in the pages of the "CHRISTIAN LIFE" and "CHRISTIAN FREEMAN." To other friends at Ipswich, Burnley, Chester, Manchester, and Oxford, the Editor is deeply grateful for the loan of blocks. The dates of each building, with its successive re-buildings, alterations, or enlargements, so far as known to the Editor, have been placed at the foot of the page, together with any event of interest belonging to the Church that can be compressed into a line or two. But for the many omissions and inaccuracies that must creep into such an attempt, she begs a kind indulgence, and will be grateful for any corrections sent to her. The word "founded" has been used to express the beginning of Unitarian worship made in the town, whether by a few worshippers meeting in a private room, or in any other way, and in many cases these earliest dates are very uncertain.

The interest of the volume lies in the history that may be gathered from these pictures, the tale they tell of early zeal for Unitarian worship amidst persecutions, tyrannical laws, and all manner of obstructions; while in later times we see the steadfastness to keep some of them open through many years when the tide of prosperity has flowed away from the town. In order to explain the historical allusions at the foot of some of the pages, a few dates are given on the following page.

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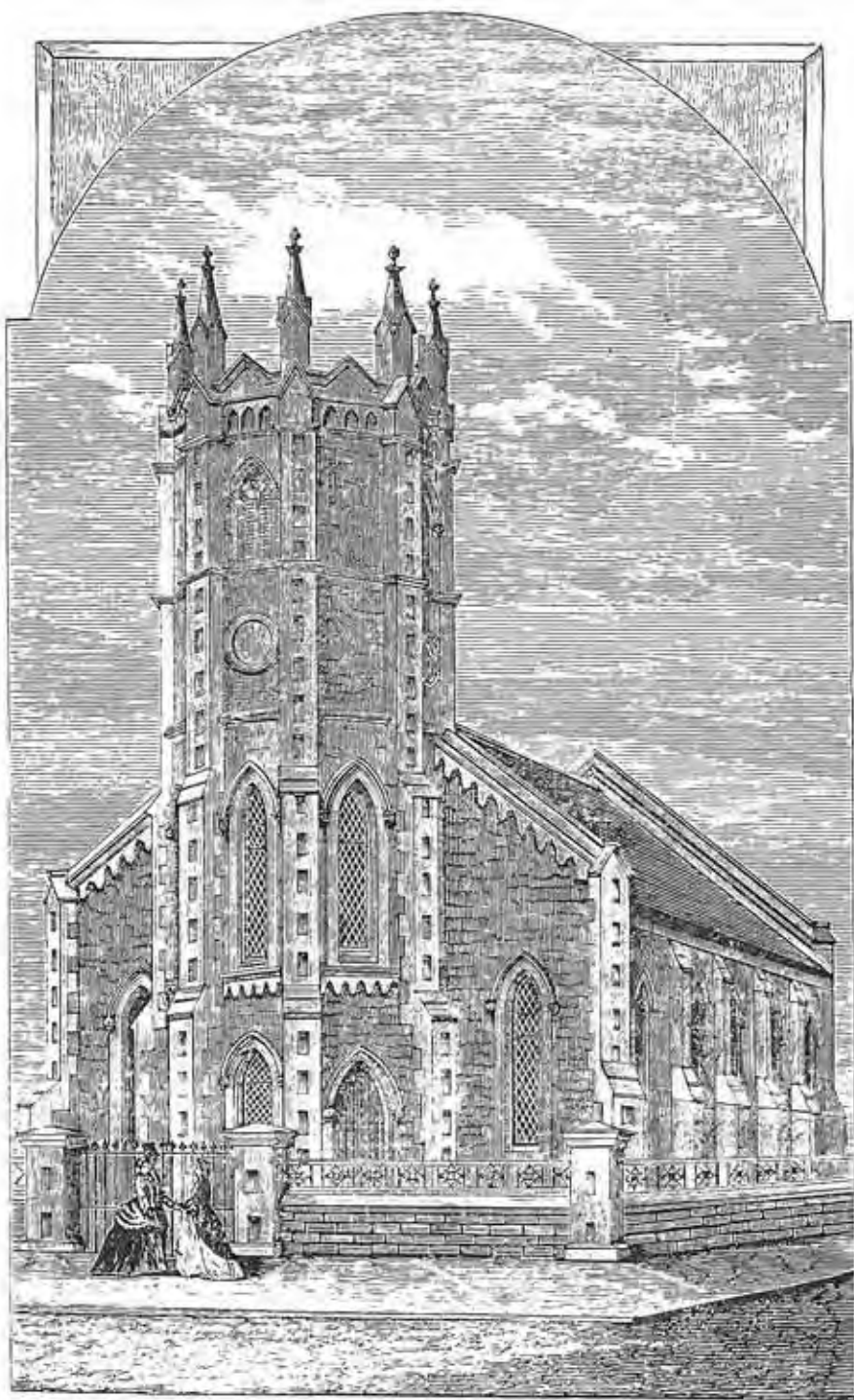
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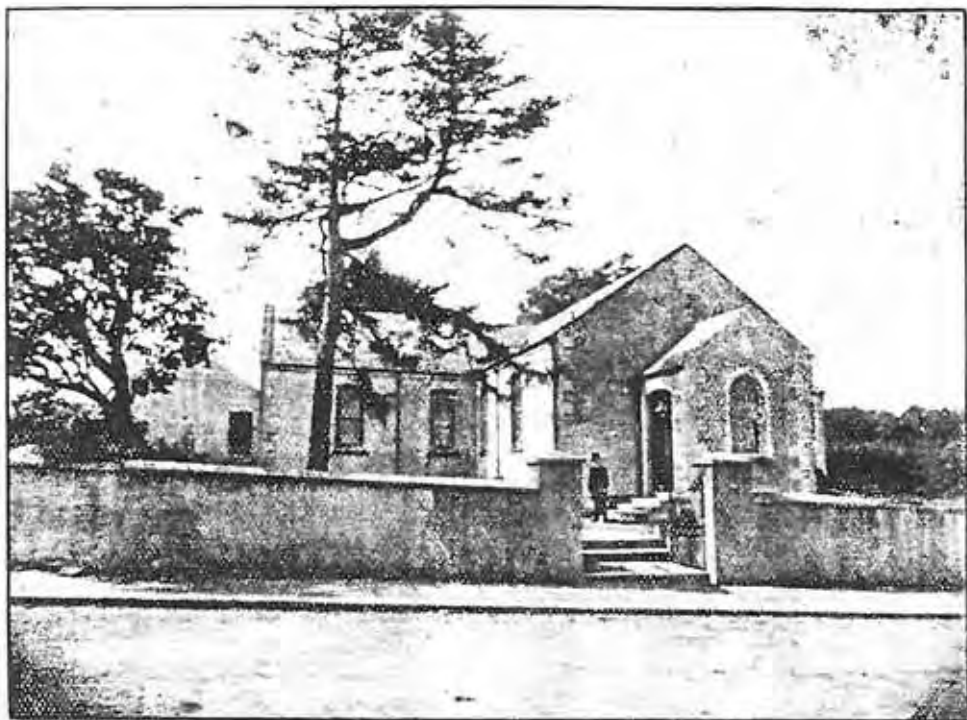


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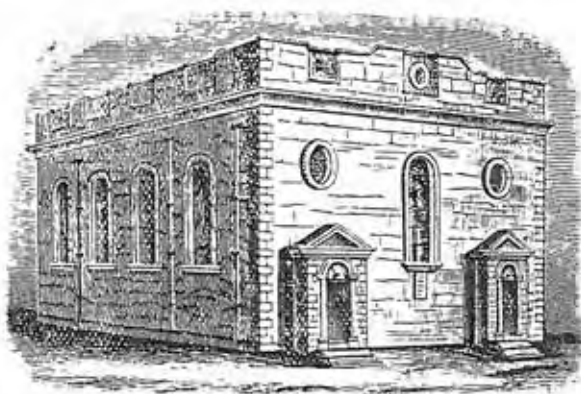


Unitarian Church, ADELAIDE (South Australia).
Founded 1854. Built 1857.



Presbyterian Old Meeting House, BALLYCARRY,
Co. Antrim (Ireland).

Founded 1823.



Dr. Priestley's Chapel, Moor Street (called the New
Meeting House), BIRMINGHAM (Warwickshire).

As it appeared before the Church and King Riots in July, 1791. This formed the basis of the present Church
of the Messiah (see page 4).



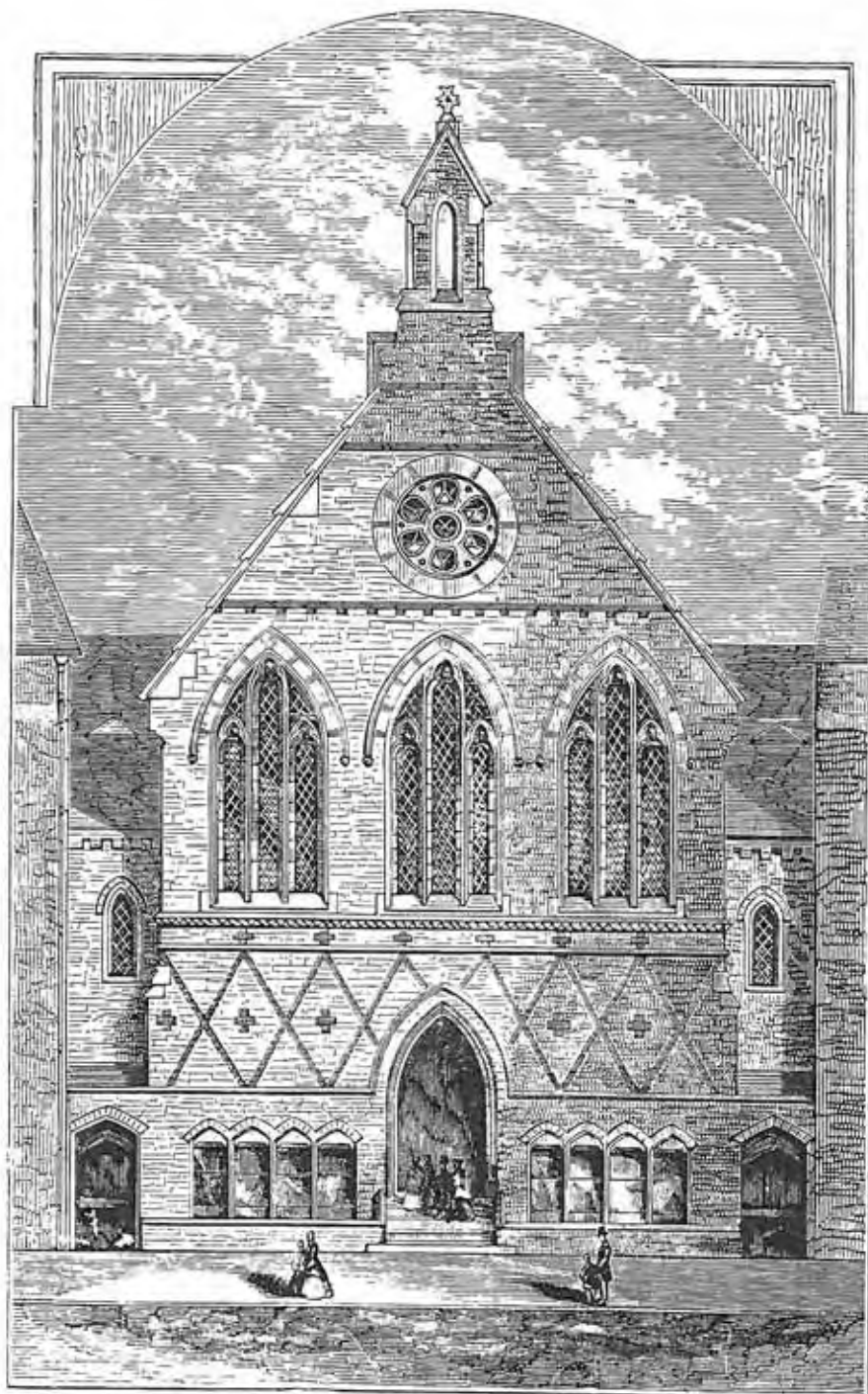
Old Meeting House, BIRMINGHAM (Warwickshire).

Founded in 1686 by the Rev. Wm. Turton, "Ejected Minister." The above engraving shows it as it appeared before it was burned down in the riots of July, 1791. The Chapel was re-built on the same spot, where the Congregation worshipped until they were turned out by the London and North Western Railway in 1881, when they moved to Bristol Street, as below.



Old Meeting Church, Bristol Street, BIRMINGHAM (Warwickshire).

Built in 1885.



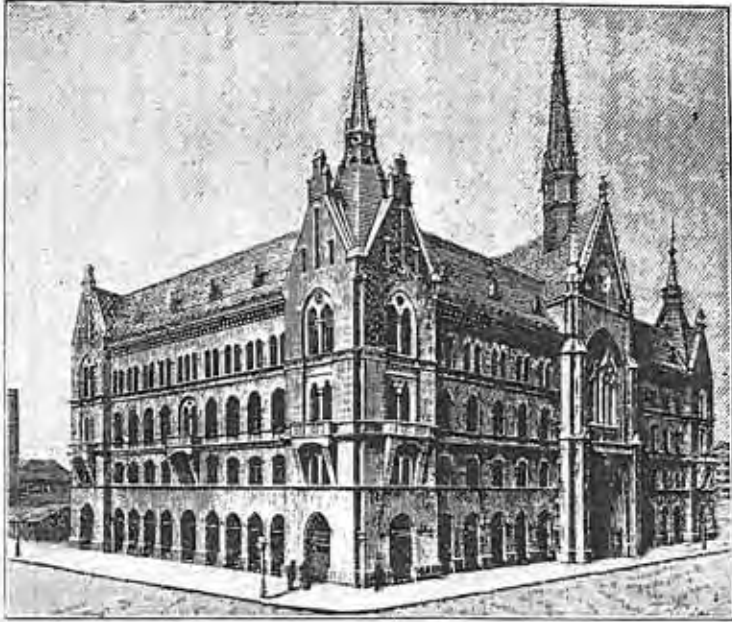
Unitarian Domestic Mission, Hurst Street, BIRMINGHAM
(Warwickshire).

Founded 1840, built 1844, enlarged and almost re-built in 1870.

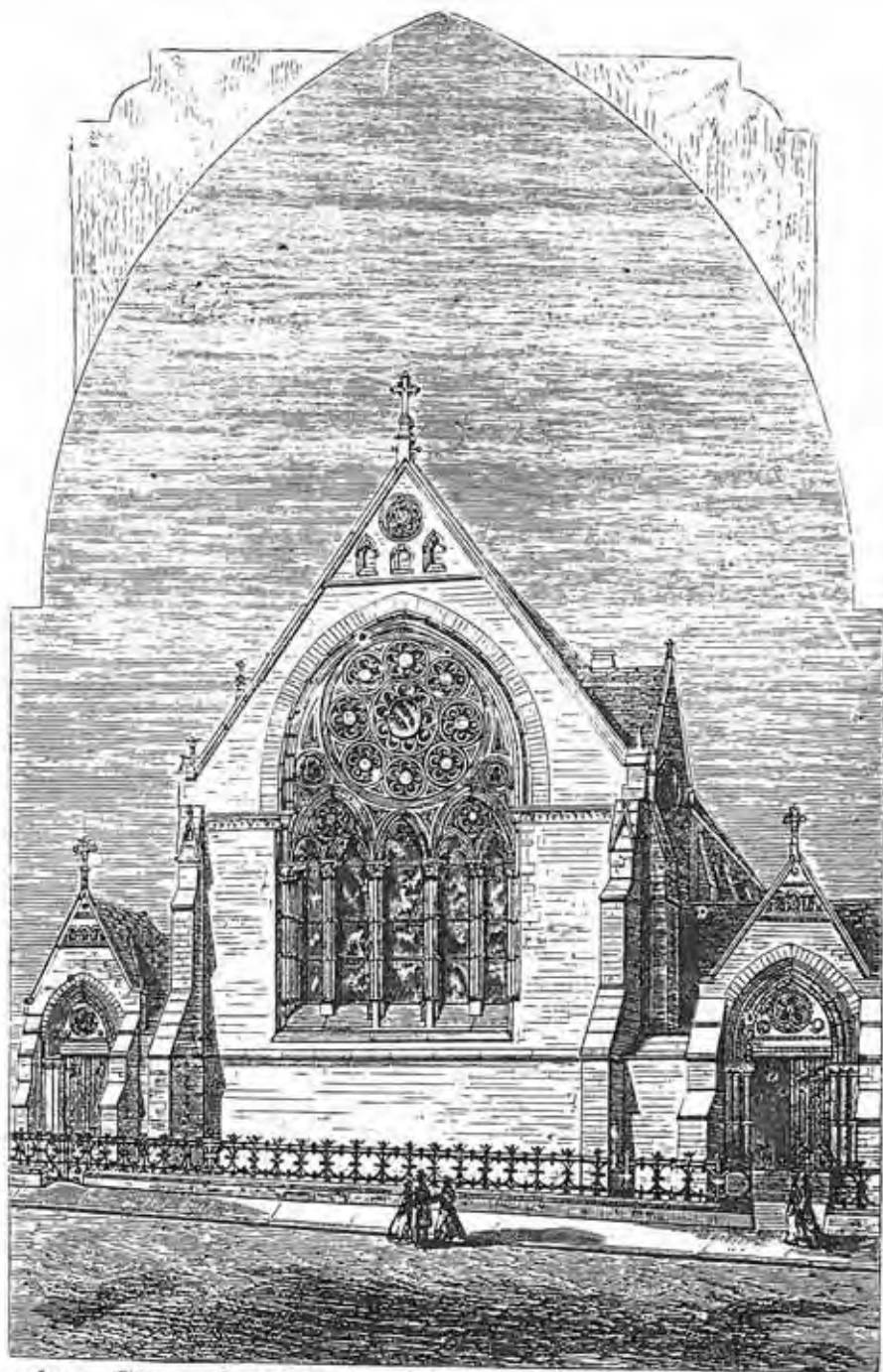


Church of the Messiah, Broad Street, BIRMINGHAM
(Warwickshire).

Built in 1862 to replace the Chapel called the New Meeting, which was inconveniently situated and too small for the worshippers.

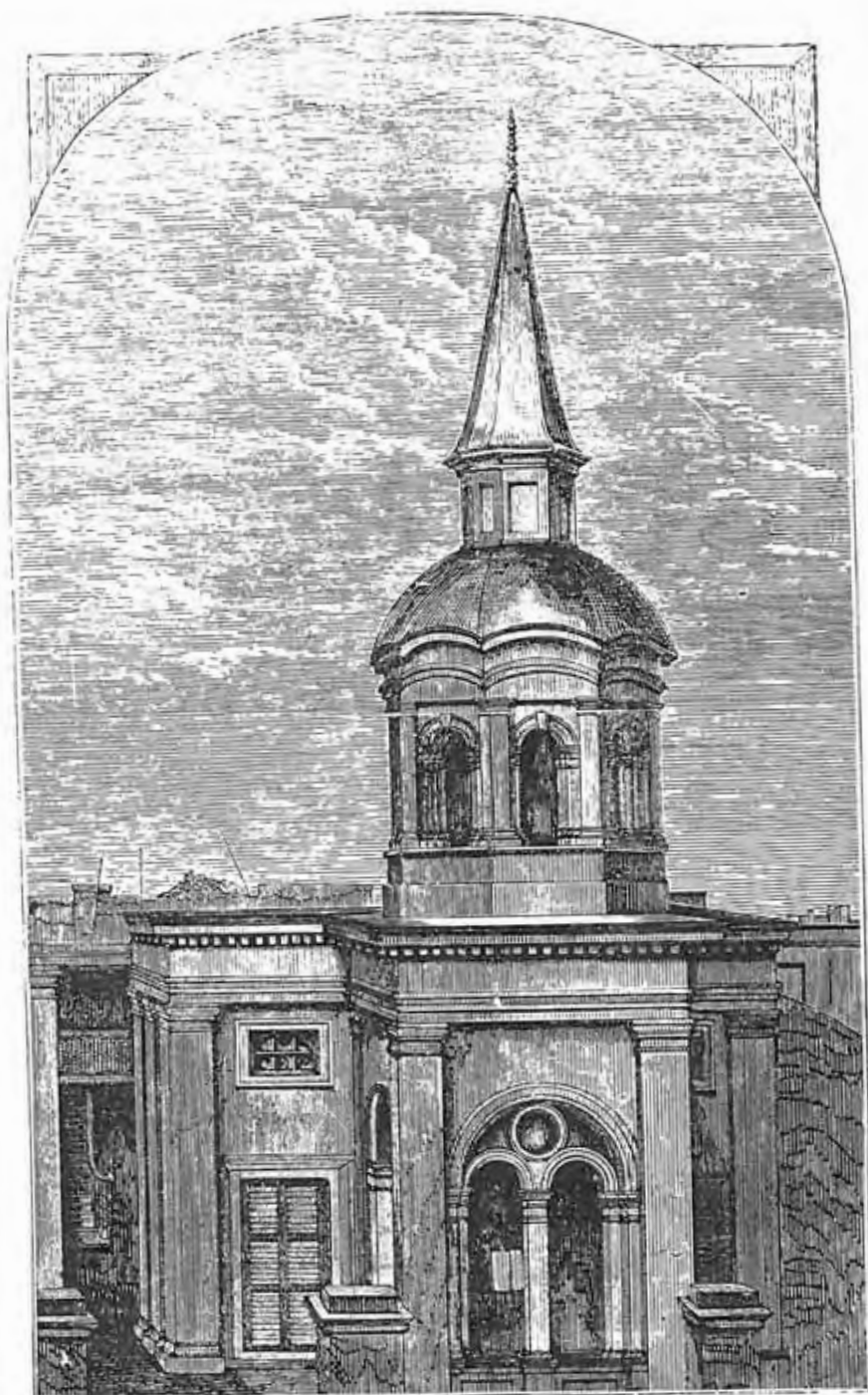


Unitarius Templom (Unitarian Church), BUDAPEST
(Hungary).

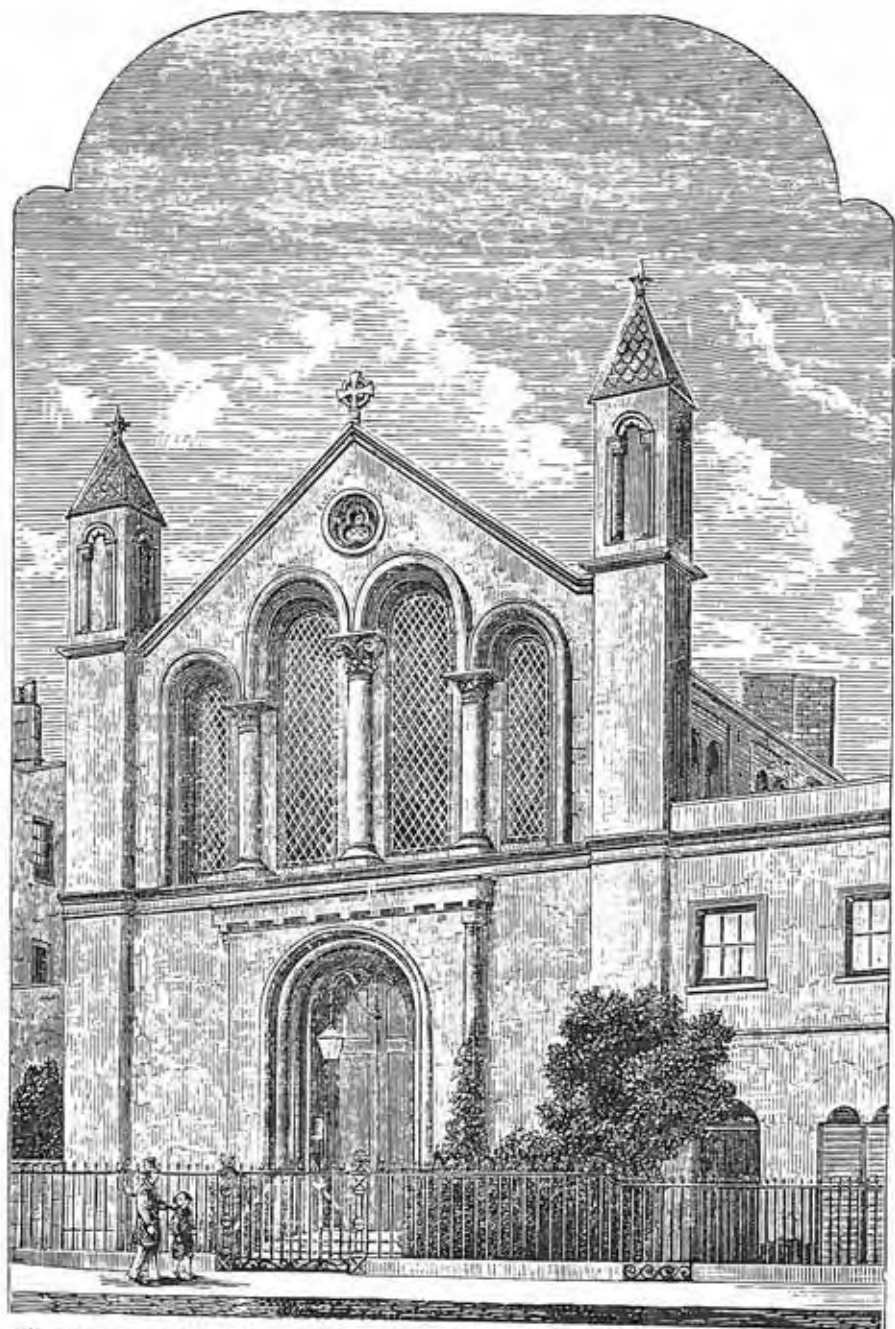


Unitarian Chapel, Chapel Lane, BRADFORD (Yorkshire).

The Oldest Nonconformist Church in Bradford, founded by Rev. Jonas Waterhouse, who was ejected from his Parish Church by the Act of Uniformity in 1662, and preached in his own private house. The old square Chapel was built in 1719, the present building in 1867.

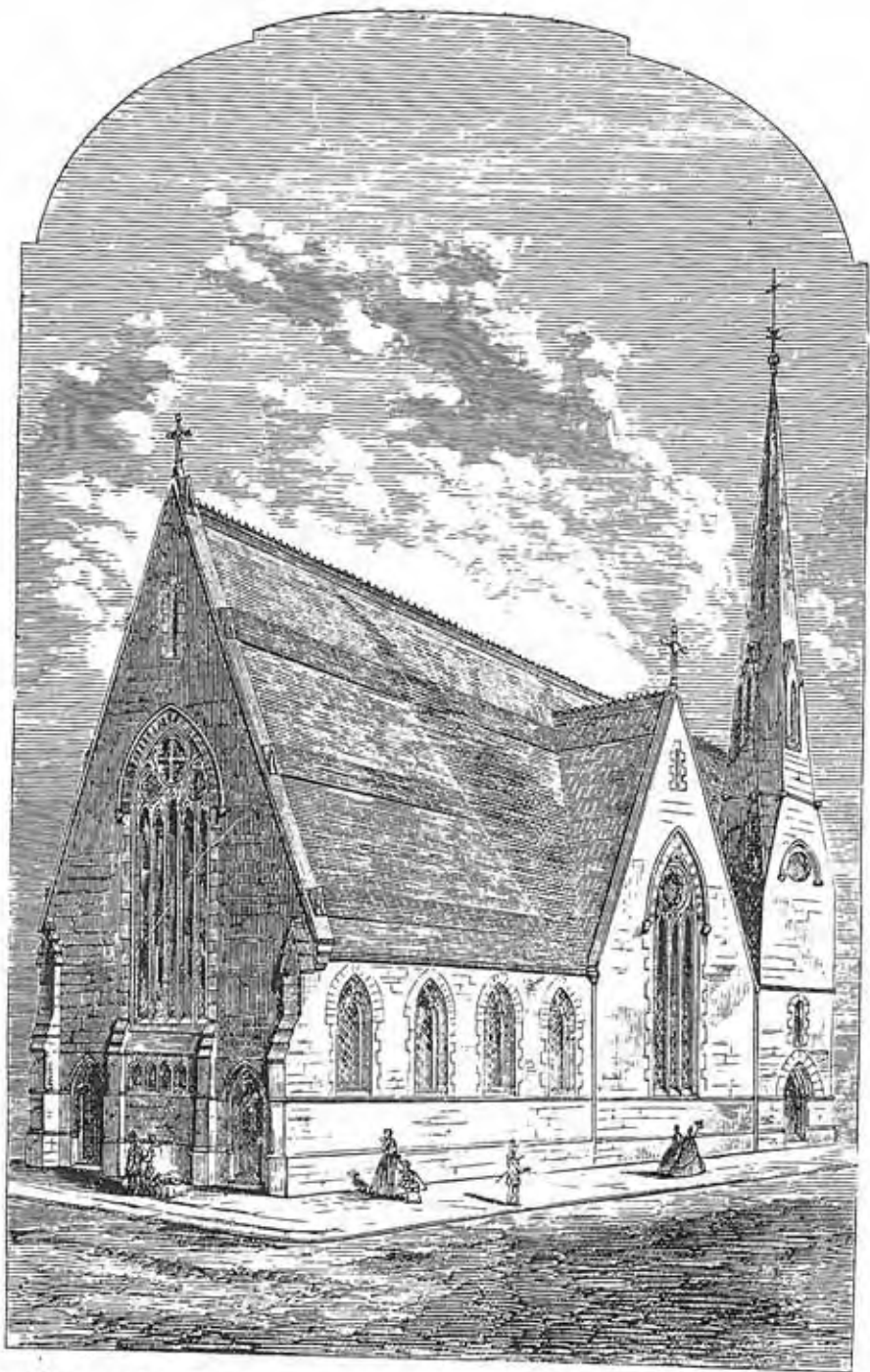


Brahmo Mandir [or Temple], at CALCUTTA (India).



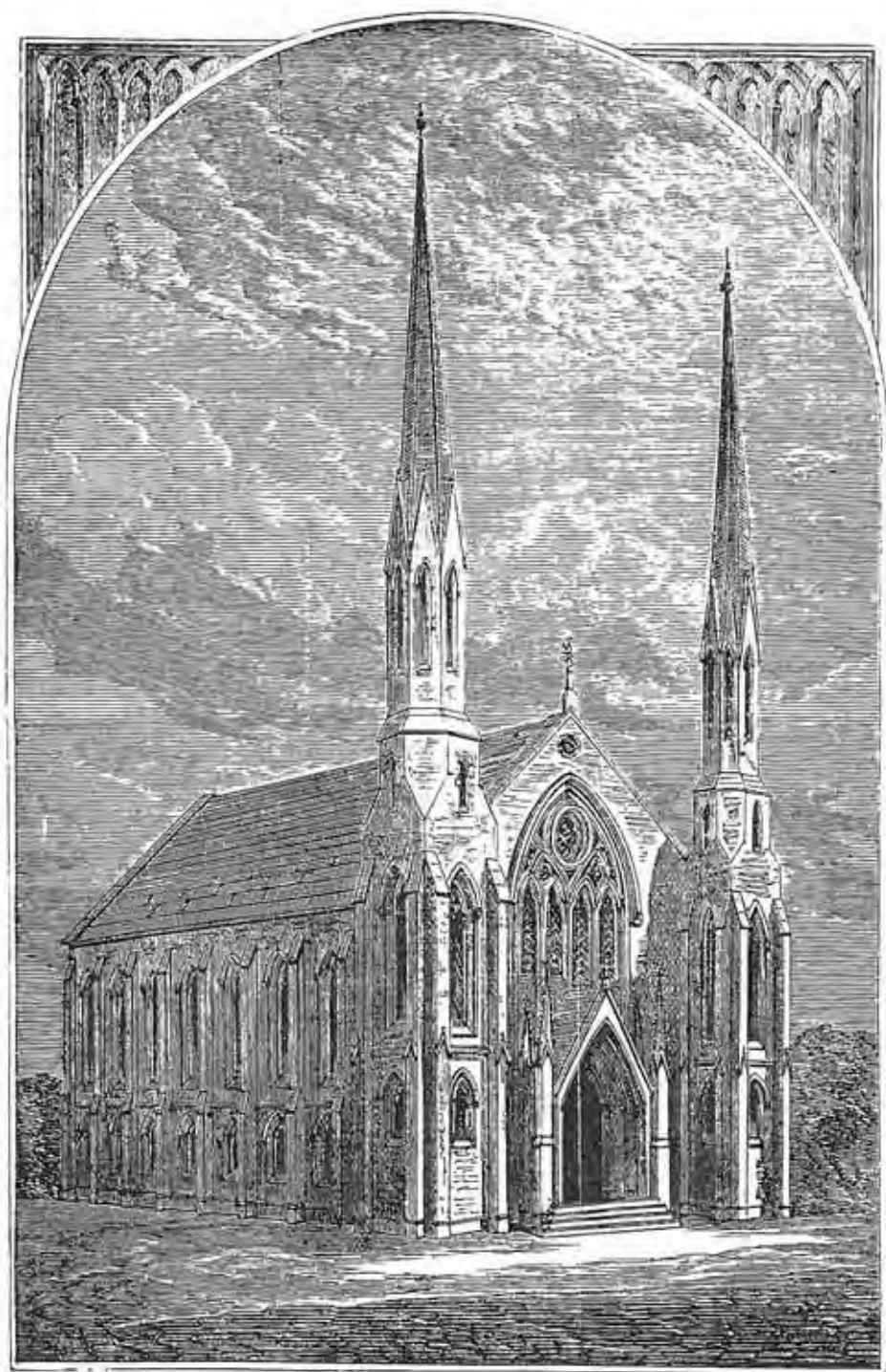
Unitarian Chapel, Bayshill, CHELTENHAM
(Gloucestershire).

A "Unitarian Conventicle" is known to have existed in Albion Street, Cheltenham, before the death of the learned Mr. John Biddle in 1662. This was closed through difficulties in 1879, and let to another Sect. The Unitarian cause was revived in 1832, and the present Church was built at Bayshill in 1844.

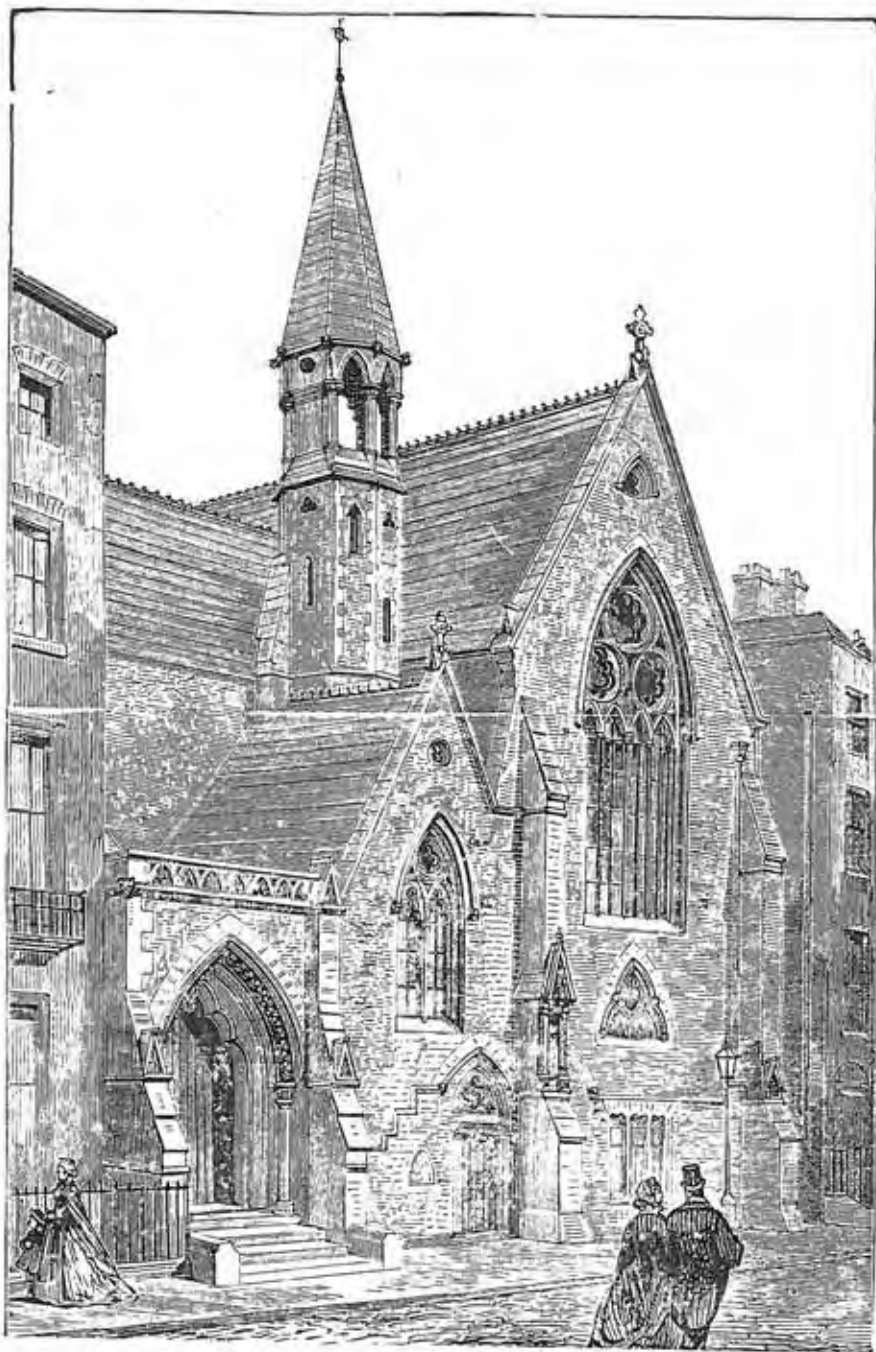


Christ Church, Duke Street, DEVONPORT (Devonshire).

Founded in 1791. On account of persecution, the first Chapel had to be given up and sold. Unitarian Services were resumed in 1818 in a school-room, and in 1864 the present Church was built.

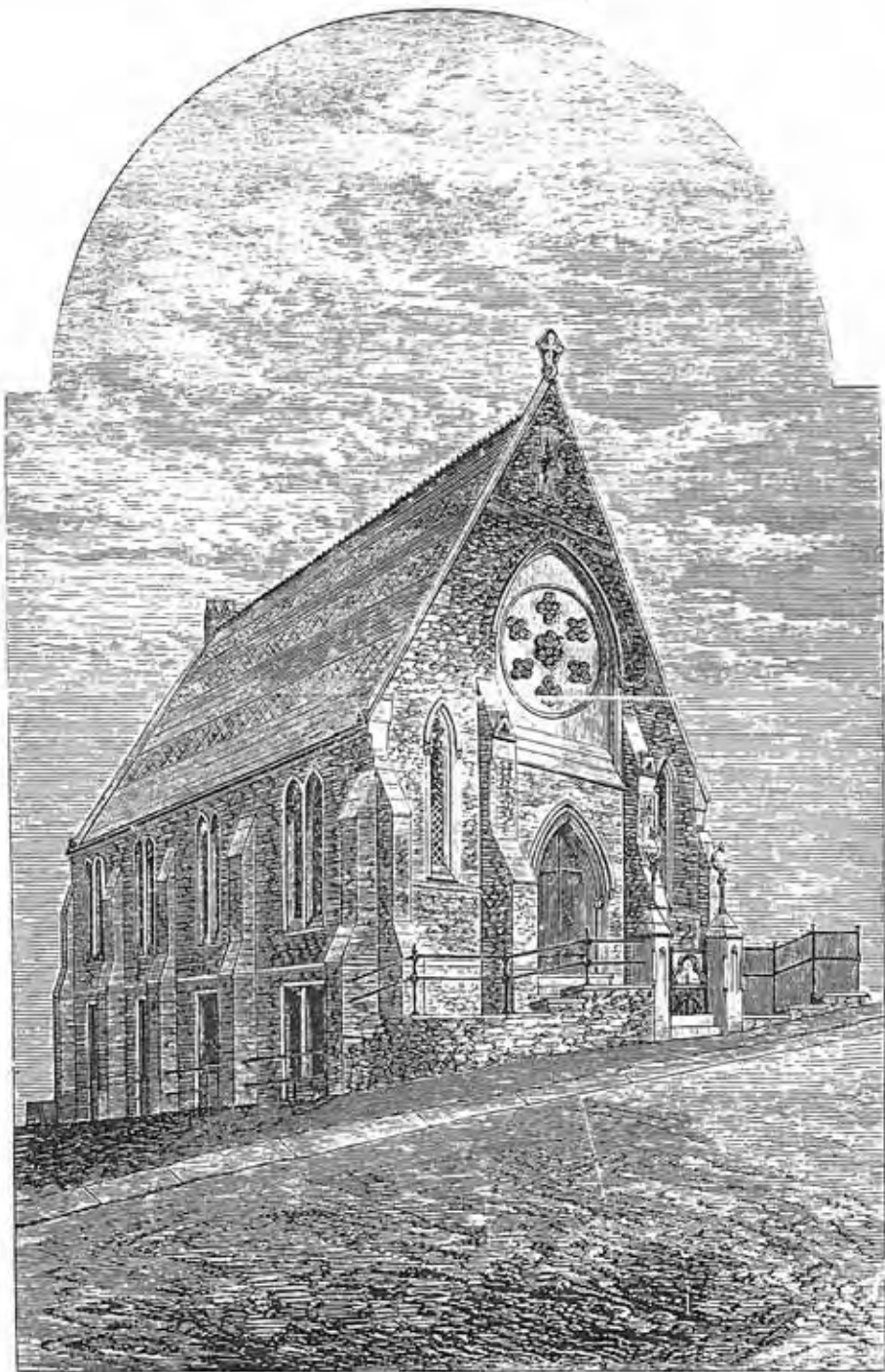


Unitarian Church, CHICAGO (America).



Unitarian Church, DUBLIN (Ireland).

Founded in Wood Street, close to St. Patrick's Cathedral, by a few English Puritans who settled in the City in 1570. In 1794 they built a Meeting House in Strand Street. The present Church in St. Stephen's Green was opened in 1863, and to it was joined the Eustace Street Congregation in 1867.



Unitarian Church, Swindon St., DEWSBURY (Yorkshire).
12 Founded in 1858. Built in 1866.



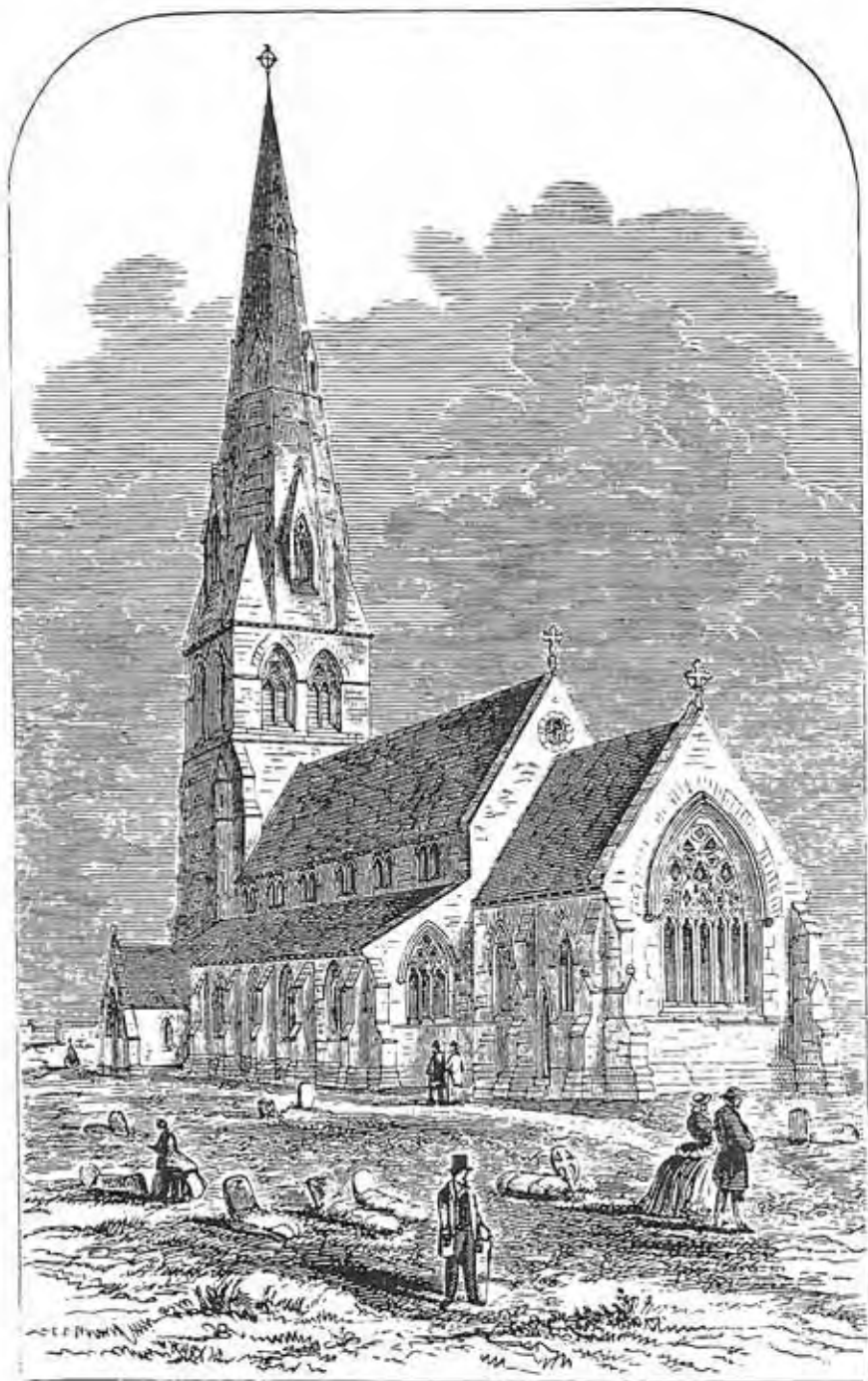
DUKINFIELD Old Chapel (Cheshire).

The first meeting of the Presbyterian Church at Dukinfield was in Rev. Samuel Angier's own house in 1681. Services were held regularly in Mr. Angier's barn in 1686. A Chapel was built in 1709, but blown down in 1839; re-built in 1849. (See next page for later enlargement.)



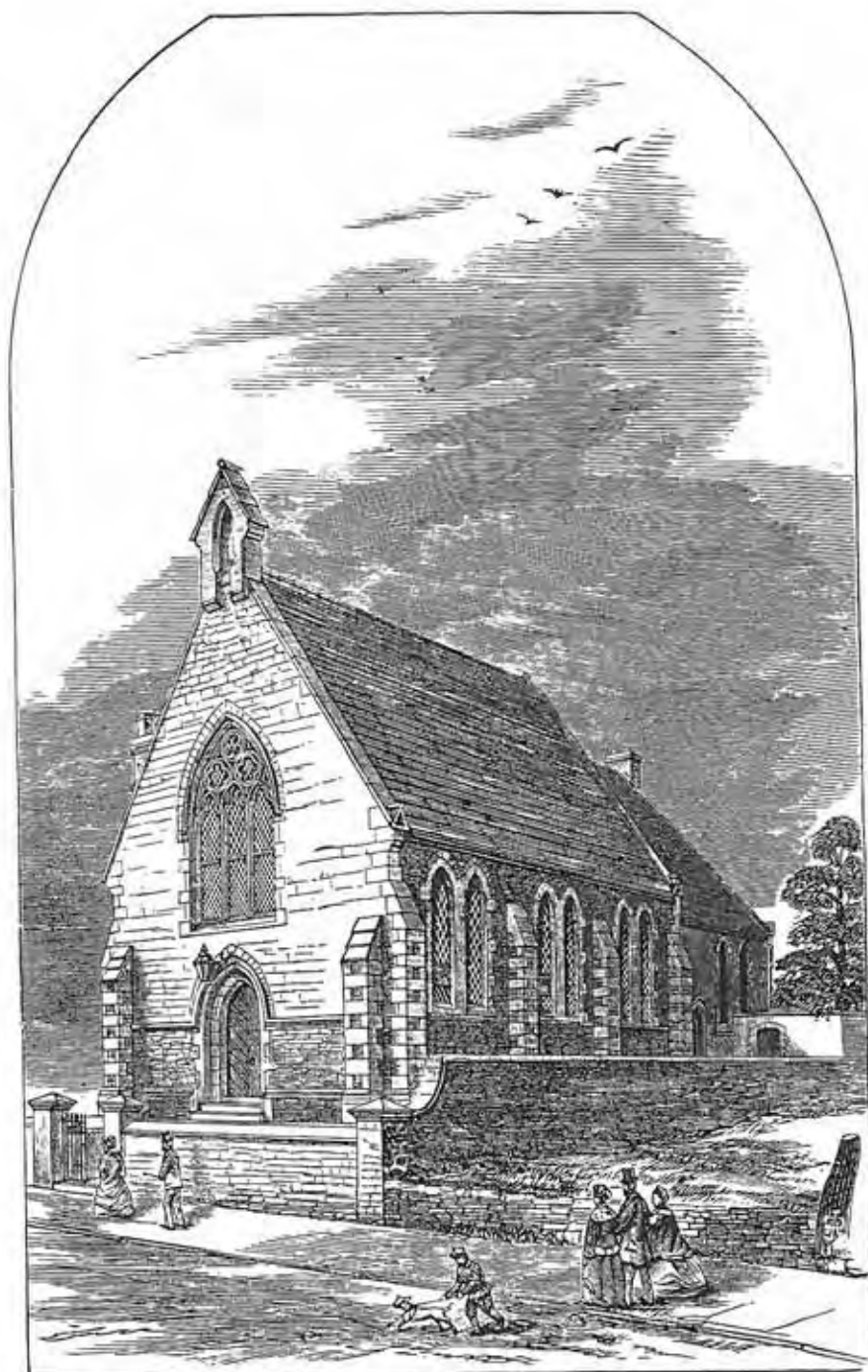
DUKINFIELD Old Chapel (Cheshire).

As Enlarged and Embellished in 1893.



Hyde Chapel, GEE CROSS, Hyde (Cheshire).

Founded 1708. Present Building, 1848.

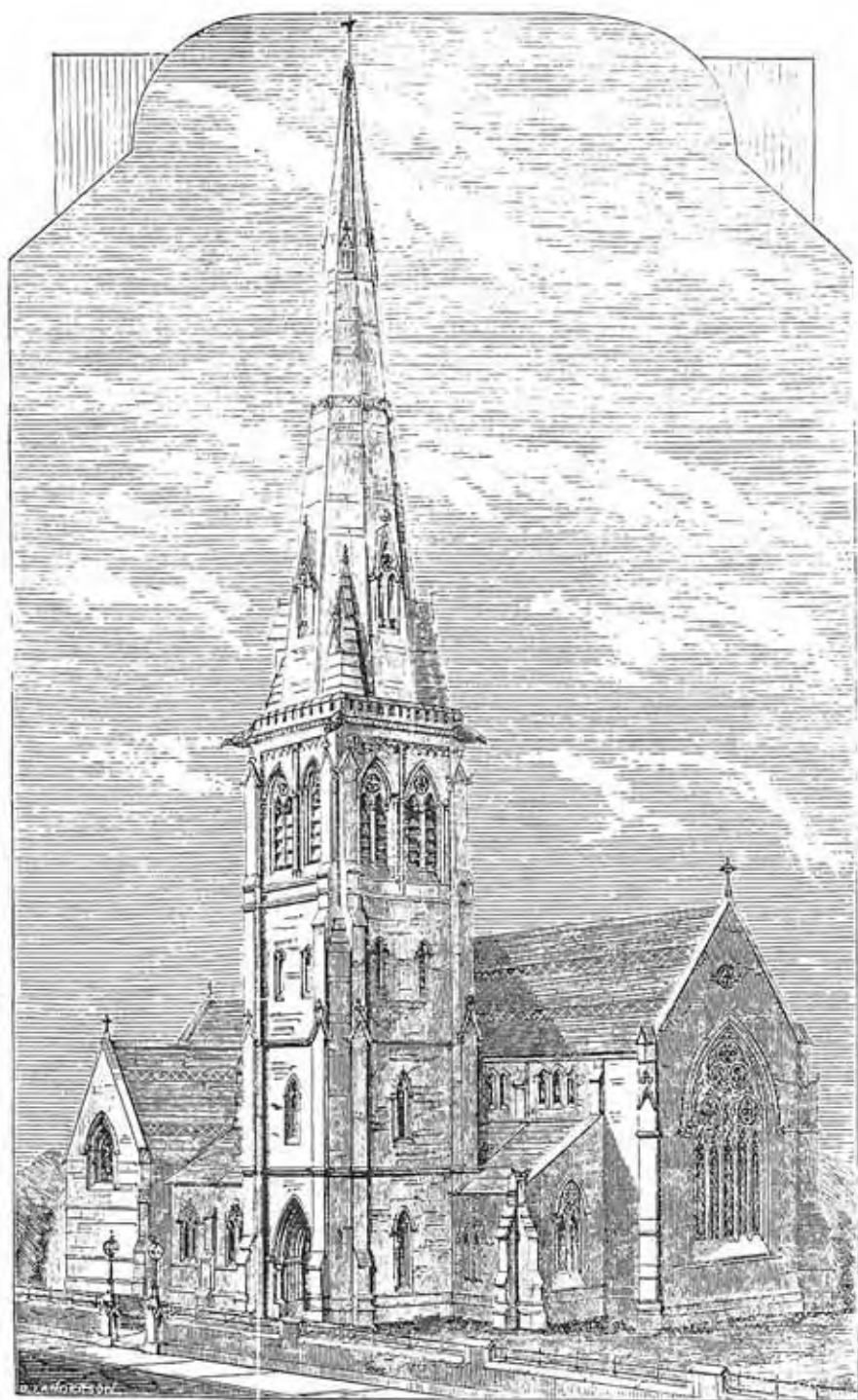


Unitarian Church, Christ Church, Huddersfield Road,
ELLAND (Yorkshire).

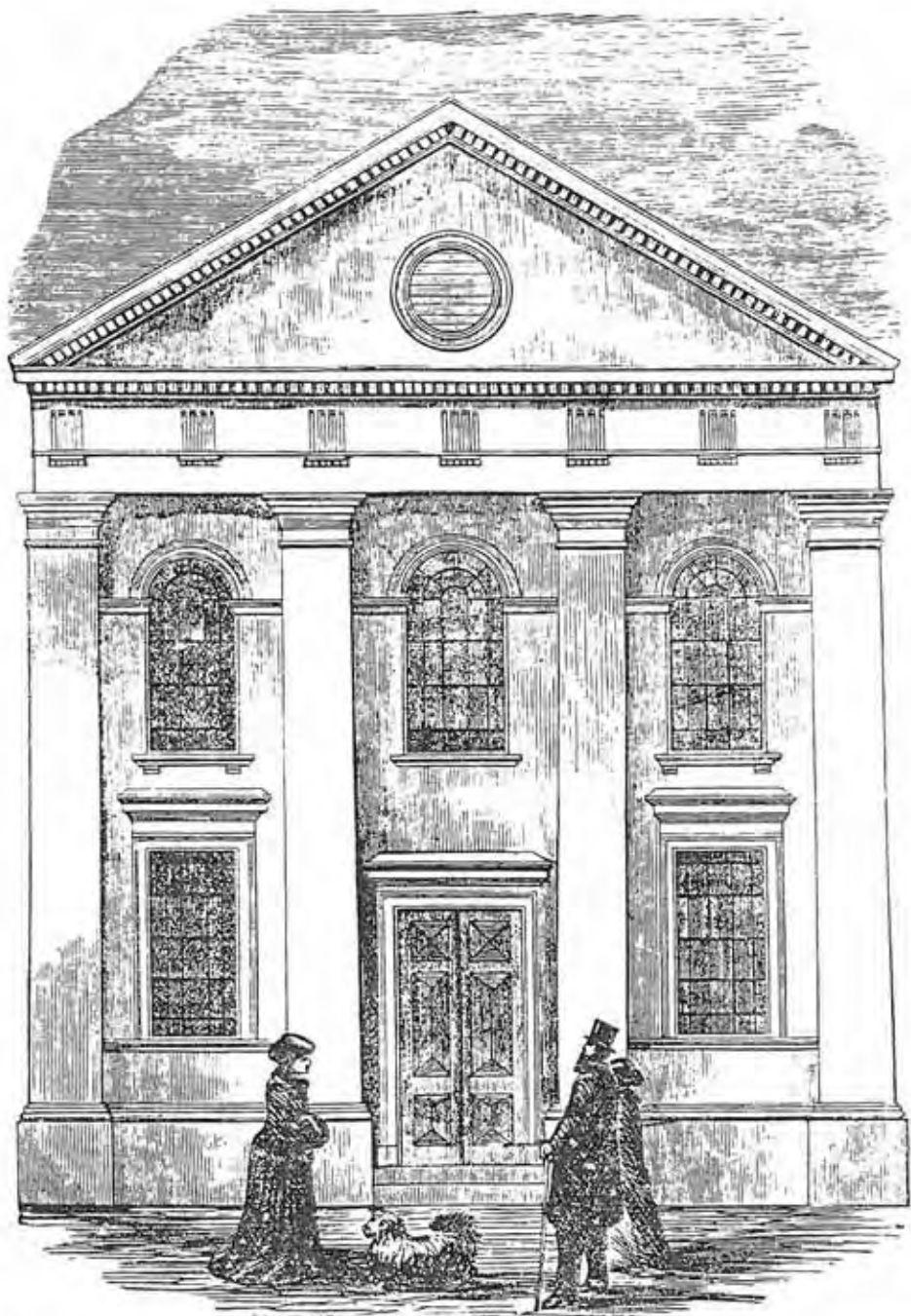


Northgate-End Chapel, HALIFAX (Yorkshire).

The ancient Church was built in 1096 by Oliver Heywood, re-built in portions in 1817 and 1847, and replaced by the present building in 1872.



18] **Brookfield Unitarian Church, GORTON (Lancashire).**
The earlier Church was built in 1703, the present building in 1872.



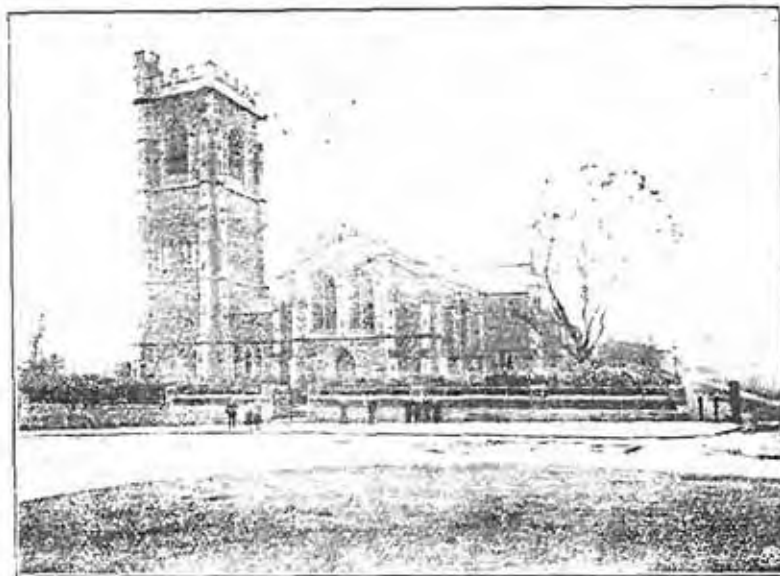
Unitarian Christian Church, HASTINGS (Sussex).

The Congregation met in a room in the Memorial Hall in 1861 for a few Sundays, and then worshipped for some years in a disused Commercial Room in the Swan Hotel, High Street. The present Church (in South Terrace) was built in 1868.



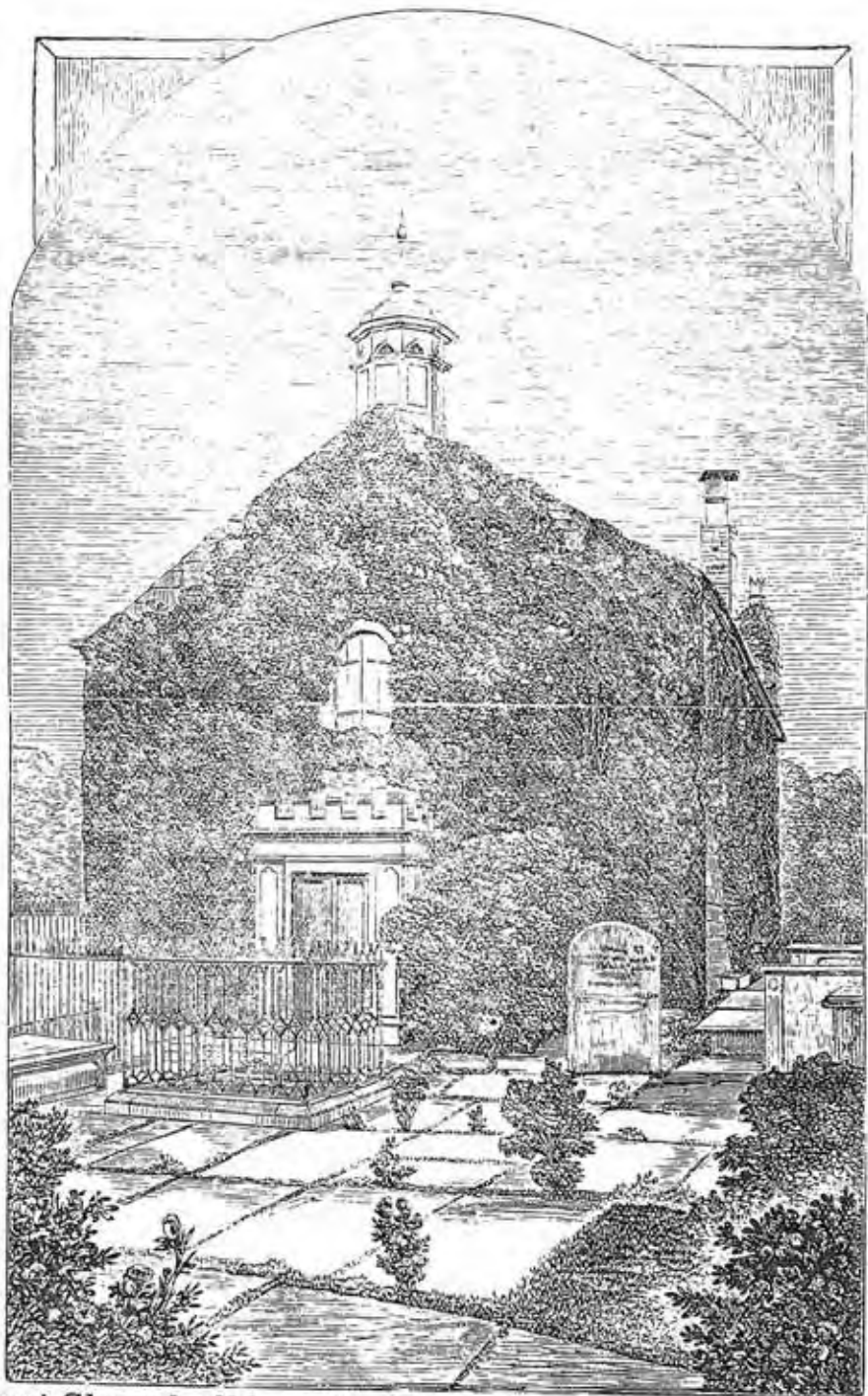
Unitarian Church, DOUGLAS (Isle of Man).

Founded by the Unitarian Missionary Conference, Manchester, in 1831. The present Chapel was purchased from the Congregationalists in 1884.



Flowery Field Unitarian Church, HYDE (Cheshire).

Founded 1831. Built 1878.



Ancient Chapel of Toxteth, Park Rd., LIVERPOOL (Lancs.)

The Congregation is said to have met for some years of persecution in the Dingle, which was at that time a retired glen. The first Chapel in Toxteth Park was built about 1618, rebuilt in 1774.



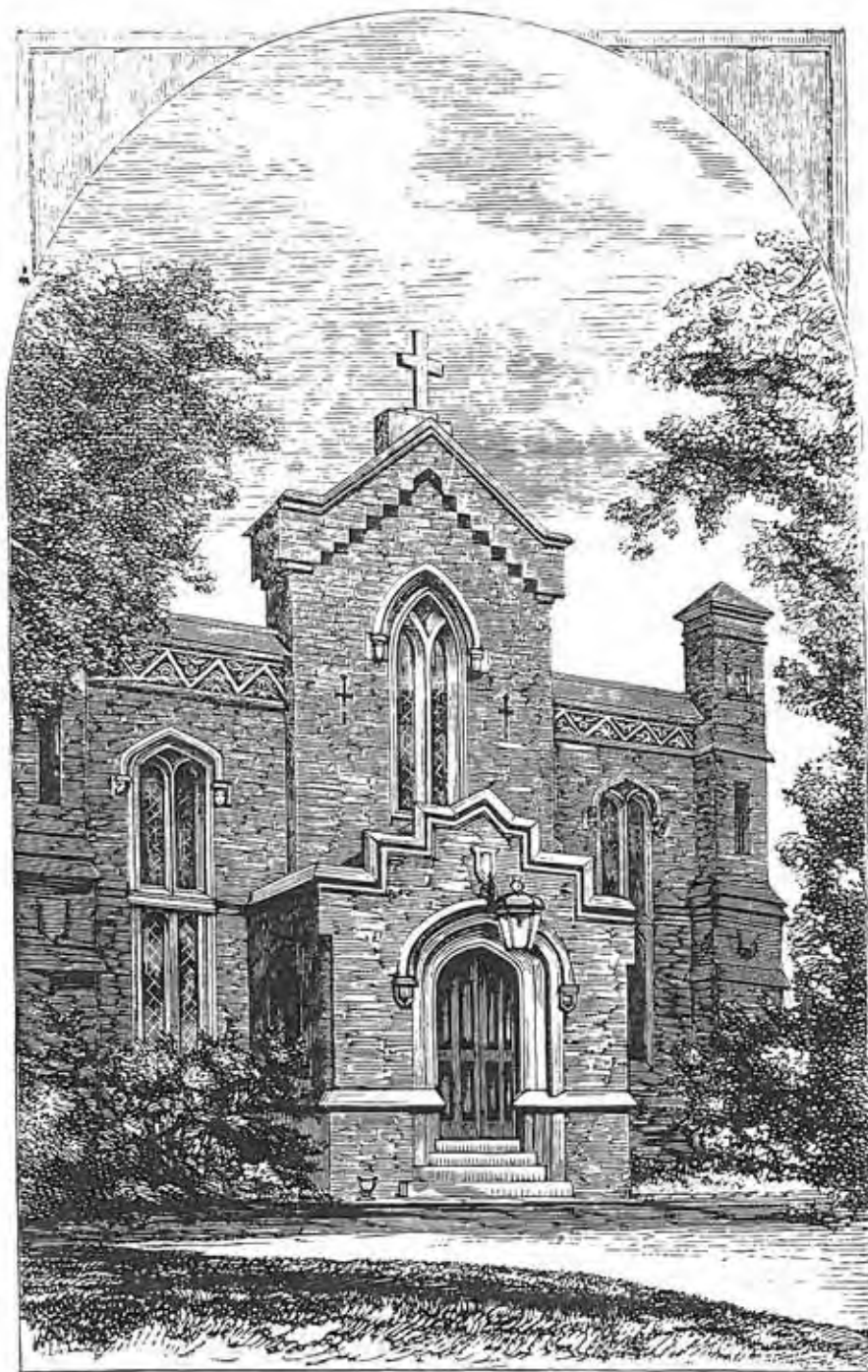
Hope Street Unitarian Church, LIVERPOOL (Lancashire).

Founded in 1707 in Kaye Street, a new Chapel was built in Paradise Street in 1791. The present Church in Hope Street was built in 1819. Dr. Martineau ministered in the Paradise St., and afterwards in the Hope St. Church. [23



Free-Thinking Christians' Meeting House, St. John's
Square, CLERKENWELL (London).

Built 1832, let to the Unitarians for worship 1871, demolished by alterations in London a few years later. [25



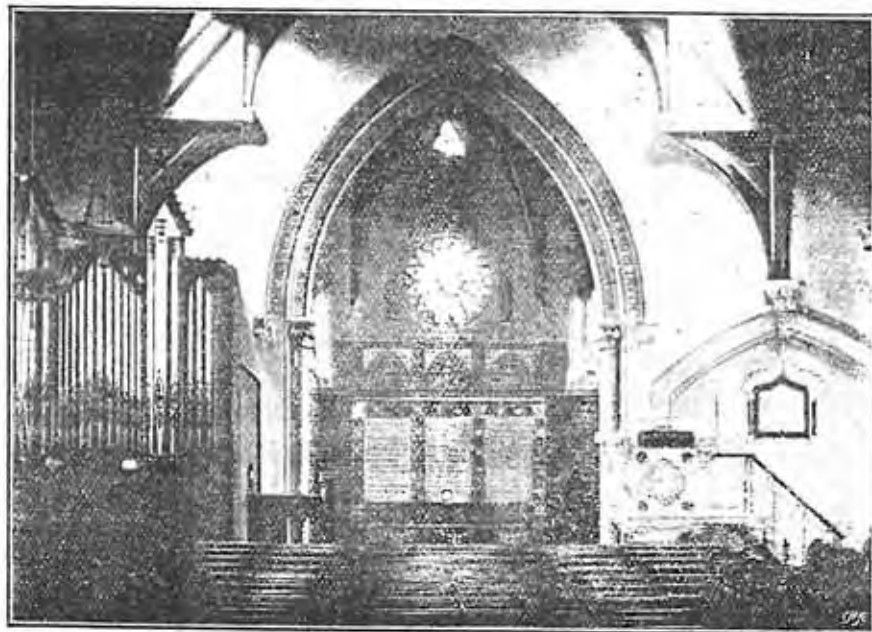
Unitarian Chapel, Effra Road, BRIXTON (London).

Built in 1839.



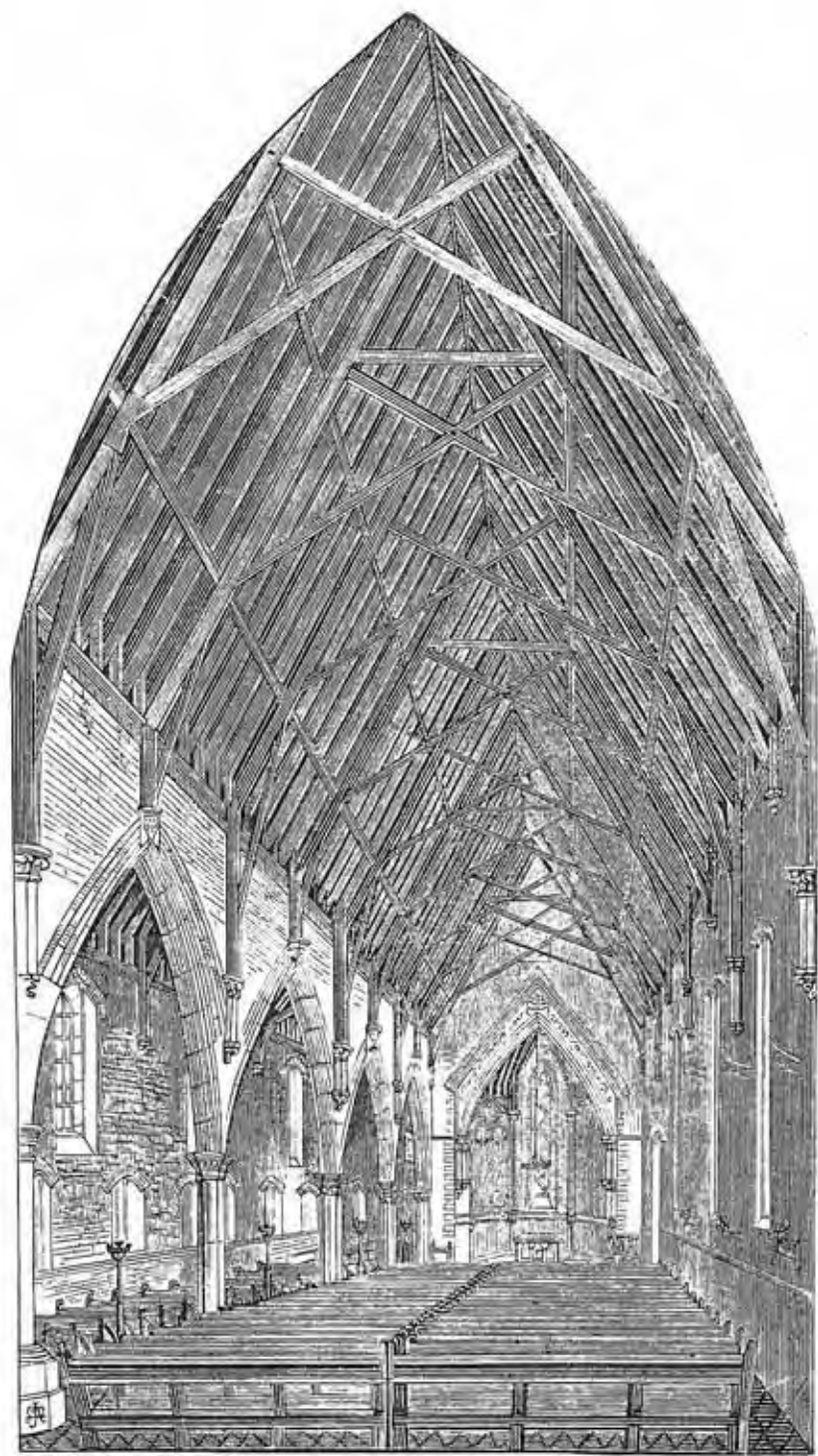
Unity Church, ISLINGTON (London).

Founded in 1667 in Meeting House Court, Blackfriars, but removed in 1721 to St. Ann's, Blackfriars. The Carter Lane Chapel, in Doctors' Commons, was built for the Congregation in 1784, and when turned out by improvements in the City, they removed to Upper Street, Islington, where they worshipped in the Schoolroom until the present Church was completed in 1862.



Interior of Unity Church, ISLINGTON.

Over the pulpit stairs, let into the wall, appears the tabiet to the memory of the Rev. Matthew Sylvester, one of the 2,000 clergymen of the Church of England ejected from their pulpits by the Act of Uniformity in 1662, and friend and colleague of Richard Baxter. Under Matthew Sylvester's ministry the congregation was founded in 1667, and the ancient Church built in Blackfriars, as recorded on the foundation-stone of the Carter Lane Church which may be seen fixed into the wall immediately under the pulpit stairs.

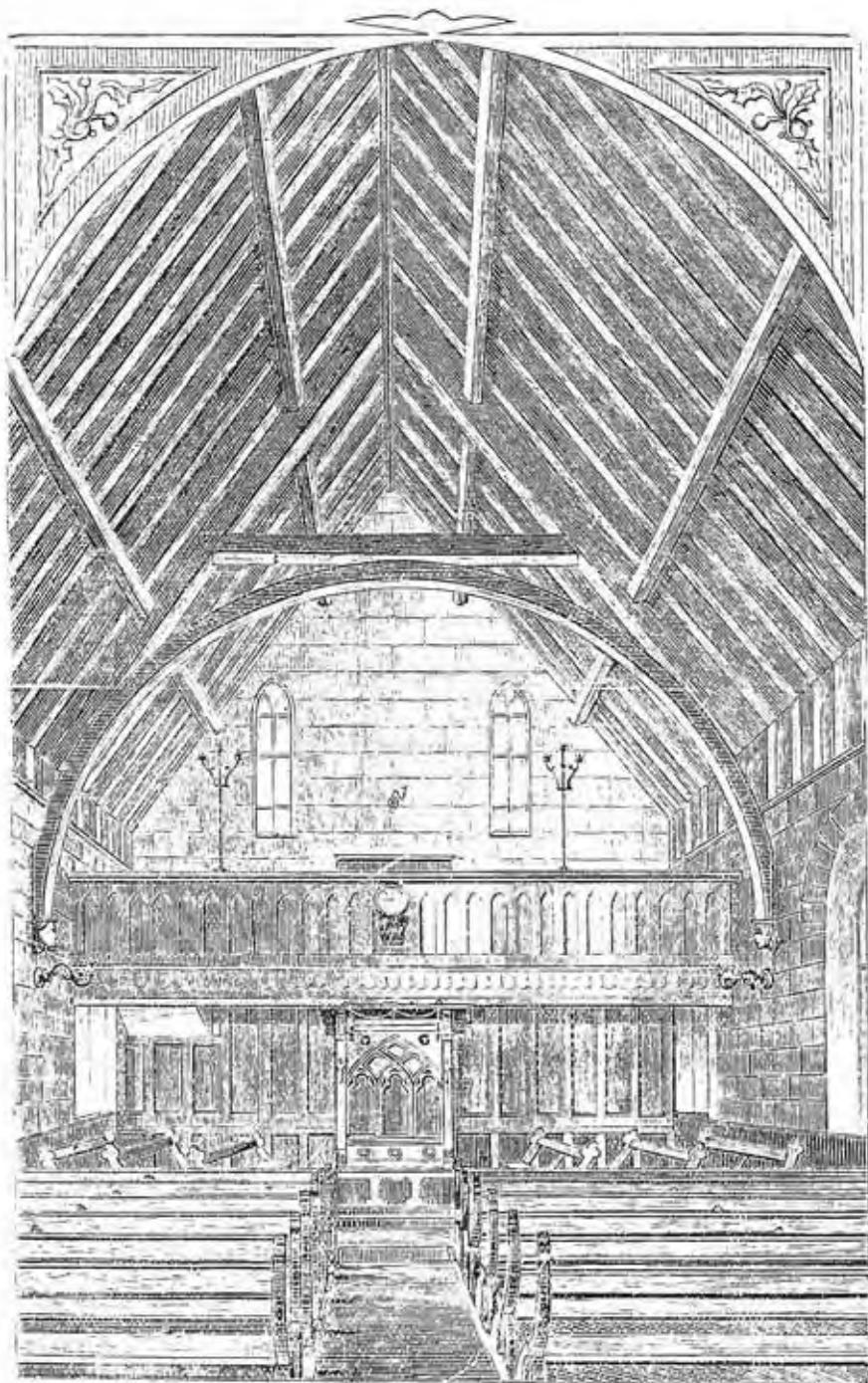


Unitarian Church, Clarence Rd., KENTISH TOWN (Lond.)
28] Built in 1855 for the Rev. Wm. Forster, who had just seceded from the Congregationalist Church.



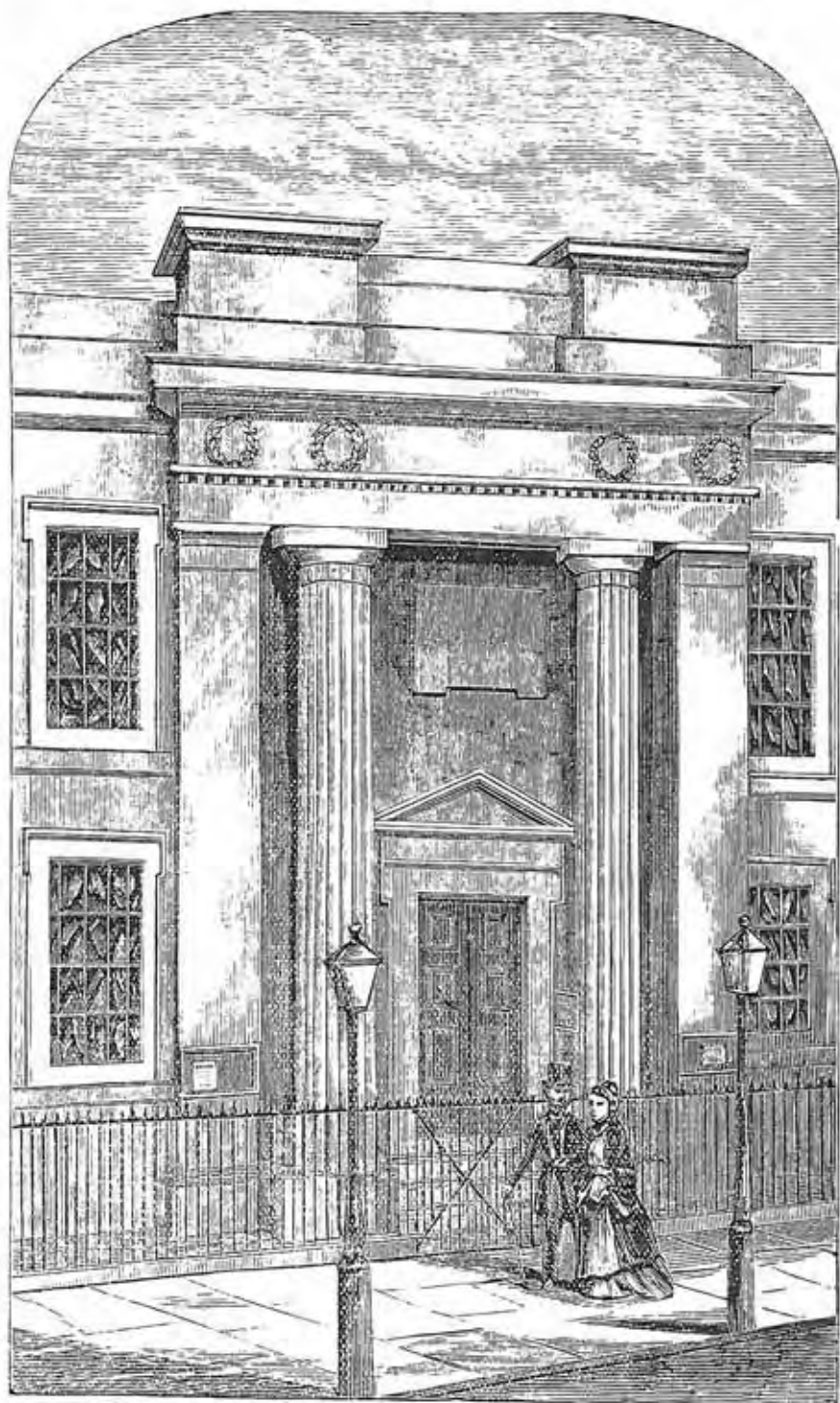
Unitarian Church, Durning Hall, Elsa Street,
LIMEHOUSE.

Built and maintained as a Mission Church by Miss Durning Smith, of Kings Ride, Ascot. Date of the first building, 1881. Enlarged in 1895.



The Interior of Unitarian Church, Stone Road, LONGTON
(Staffordshire).

Founded in 1862. Built in 1871.

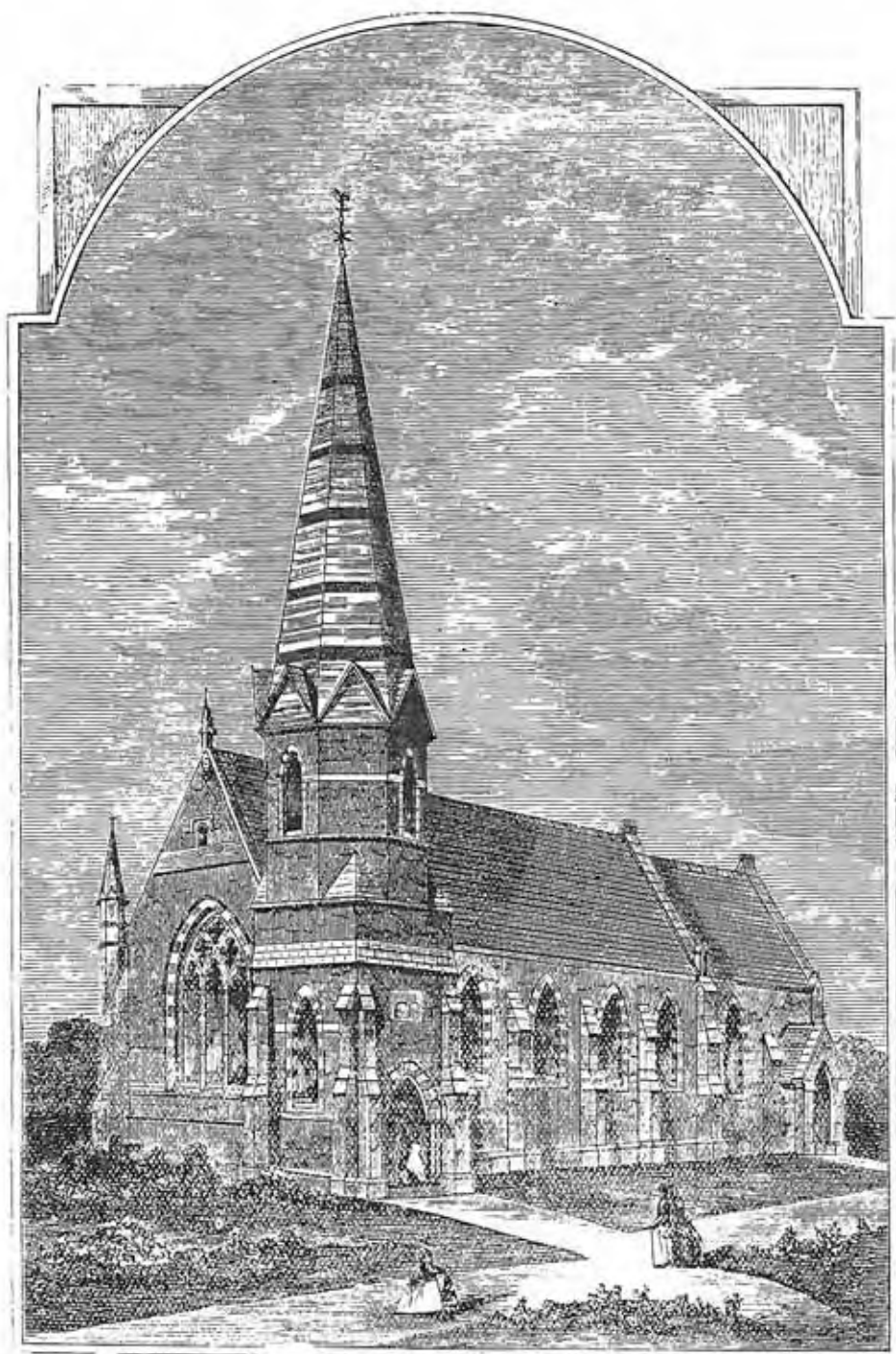


Unitarian Chapel, LITTLE PORTLAND STREET (London).
30] Founded in York Street in 1824. Present Church built in Little Portland Street in 1833.



Unitarian Church, LYE WASTE, near Stourbridge
(Worcestershire).

Founded in 1796, in a hired room, by the Rev. James Scott, of Park Lane Chapel, Netherend Cradley. In 1805 a small Church was built, which has been used as a Schoolroom since the new Church was built in 1861.



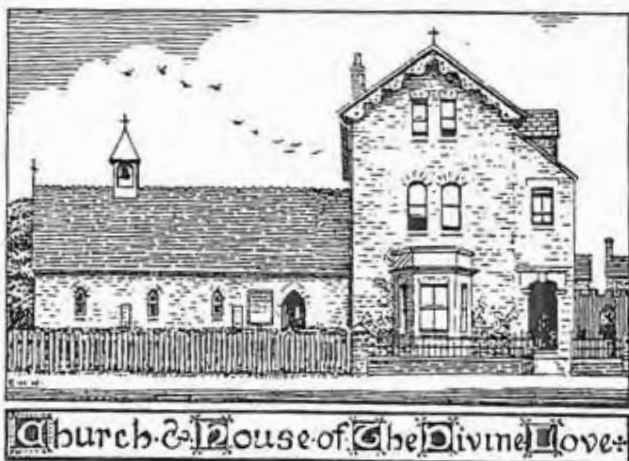
Unitarian Chapel, MIDDLESBOROUGH (Yorkshire).

Founded by Mr. William Fallows in 1833, the present Chapel was built in 1872.

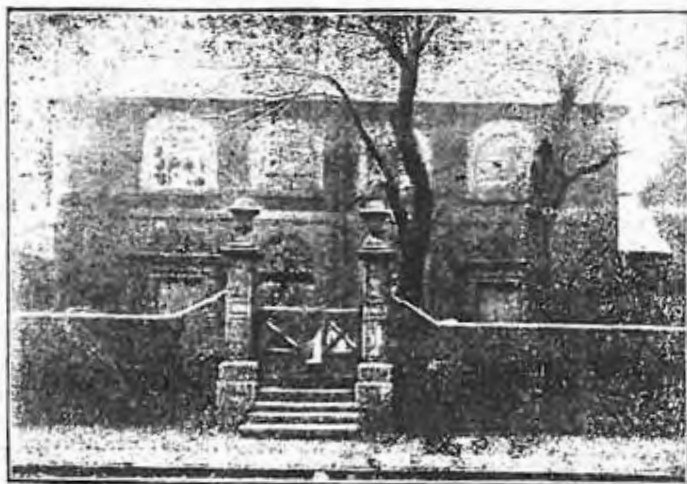


Christ Church, Peas Hill Road, NOTTINGHAM
(Nottinghamshire).

34] Founded in 1860, being a branch from the High Pavement Sunday Schools. The Church was built in 1864.



Church & House of the Divine Love,
27, Percy Street, OXFORD (Oxfordshire).
Built 1898.



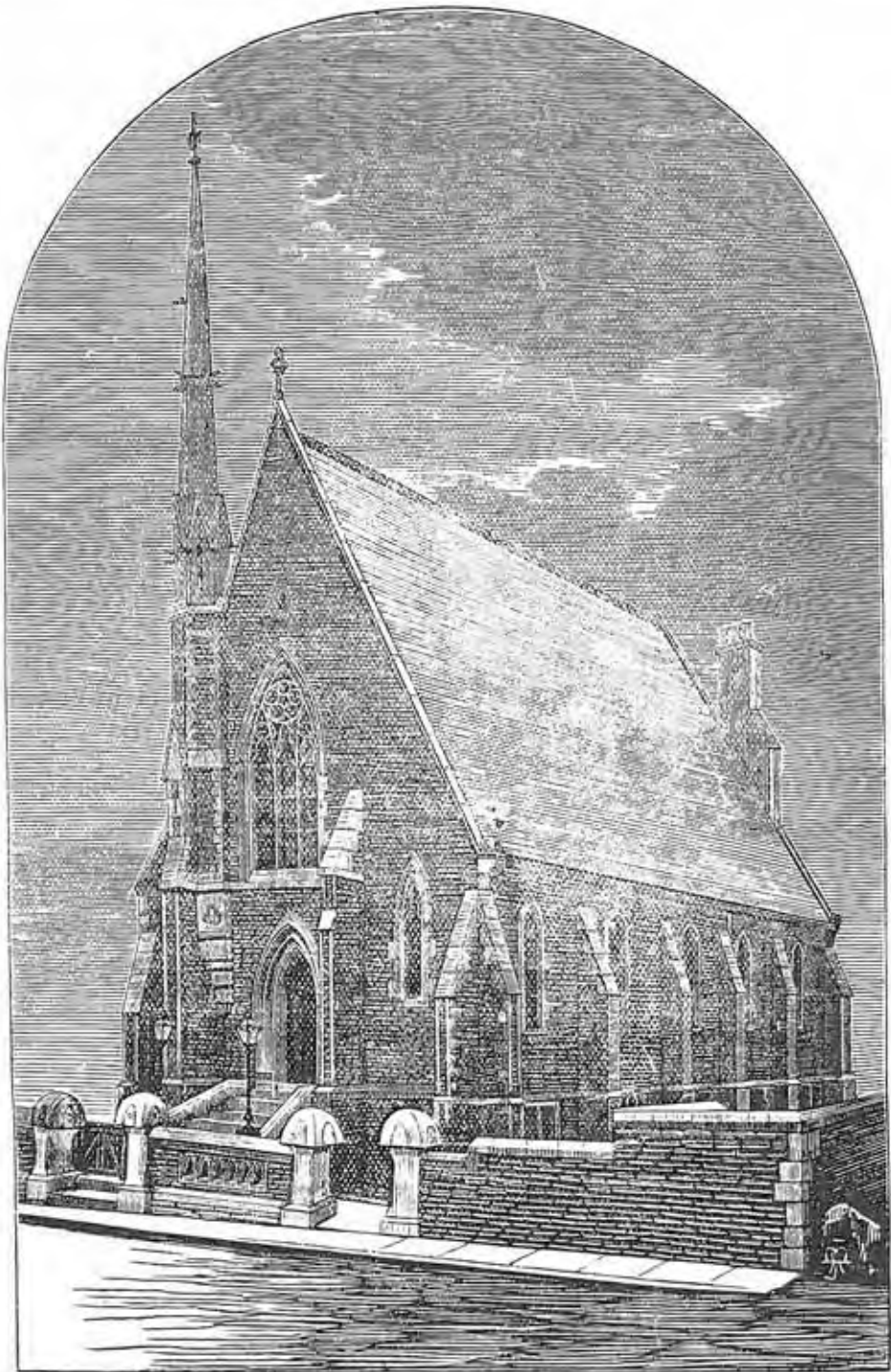
Unitarian Church, PRESCOT (Lancashire).

Built in 1758, closed in 1879, and sold about 1890.



Nazareth Chapel, PADIHAM.

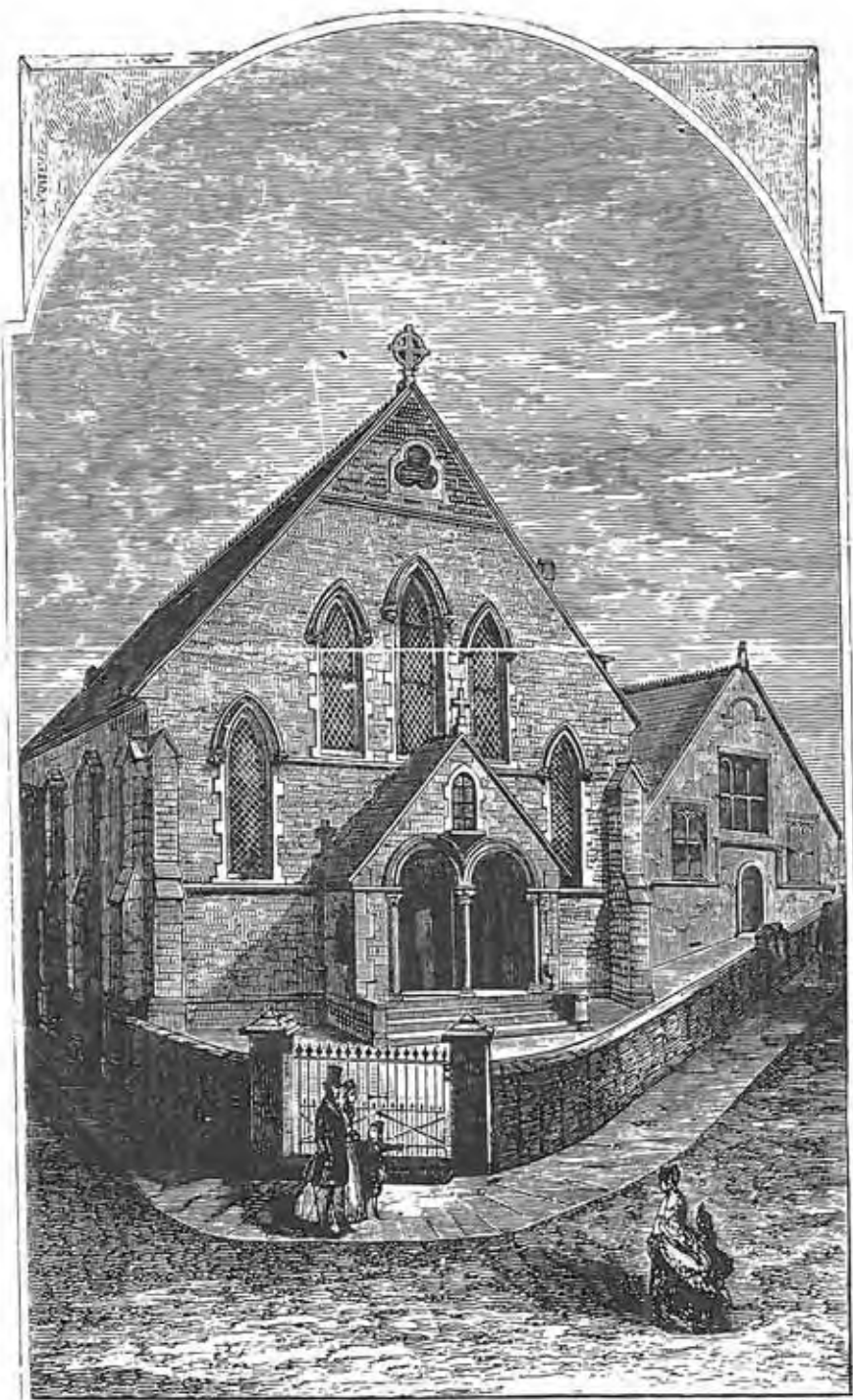
The Unitarian Cause in Padiham was started in the year 1806. The Old Nazareth Chapel, in West Street, was erected in 1822. The present handsome structure on Knight Hill was opened in 1874.



Unitarian Church, Church Lane, PUDSEY (Yorkshire).
Founded in 1854, the present building 1861.



Blackwater Street Unitarian Church, ROCHDALE
(Lancashire).



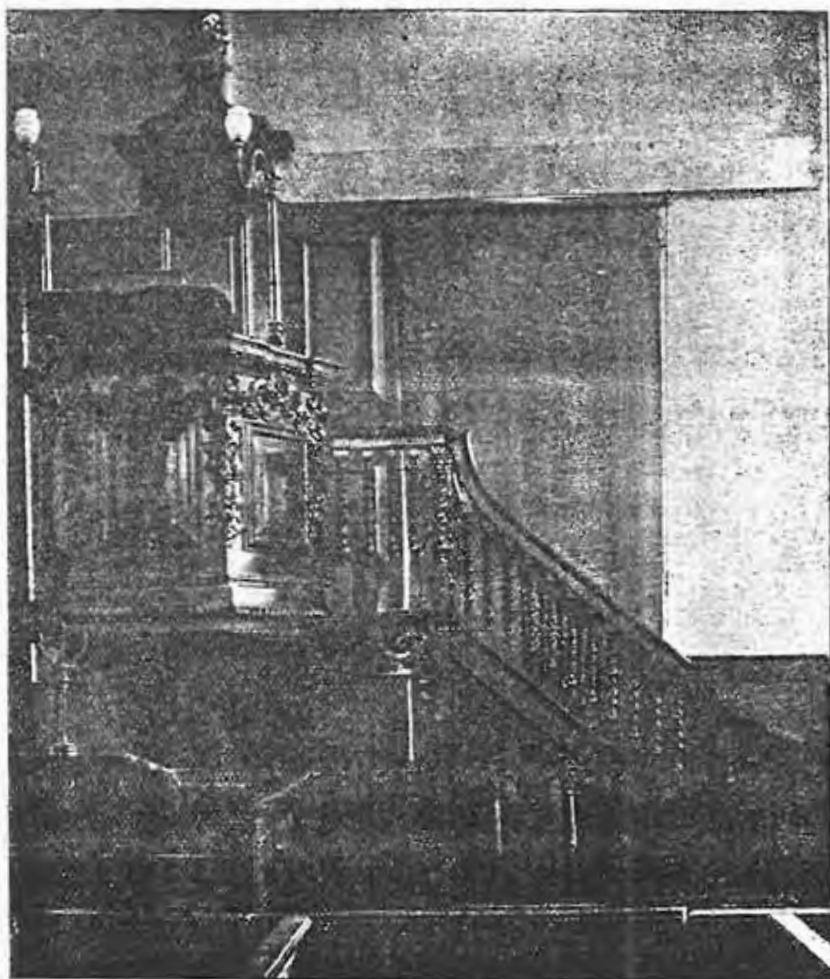
Unitarian Church, Upperthorpe, SHEFFIELD (Yorkshire).

Founded in 1859 in a room over a stable, as an offshoot from the Upper Chapel in the same town. The present Chapel was built in 1861.



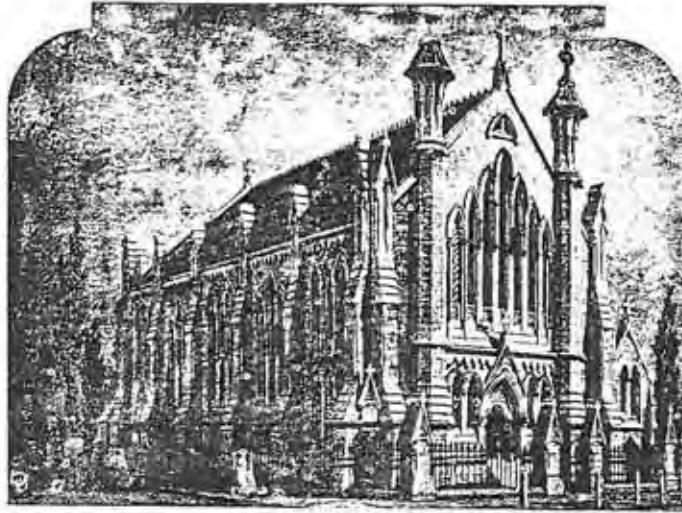
The Old St. Nicholas Church, IPSWICH (Suffolk).

The entrance, formerly in St. Nicholas Street, is now in Friar Street. Founded in 1672. The present Church was built in 1700.



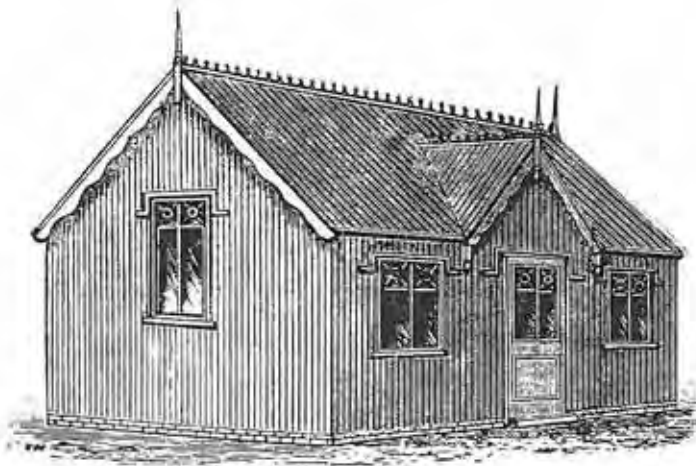
Pulpit of Unitarian Chapel, Friar Street, IPSWICH.

The Congregation seems to have been founded by the Rev. Owen Stockton, who had been ejected from his living at Colchester. After him five ministers ejected from the Established Church by the Act of Uniformity of 1662 have ministered in succession in the Pulpit of this Church: Revs. John Fairfax, John Butler, Tobias Legg, Samuel Baxter, and Samuel Say.

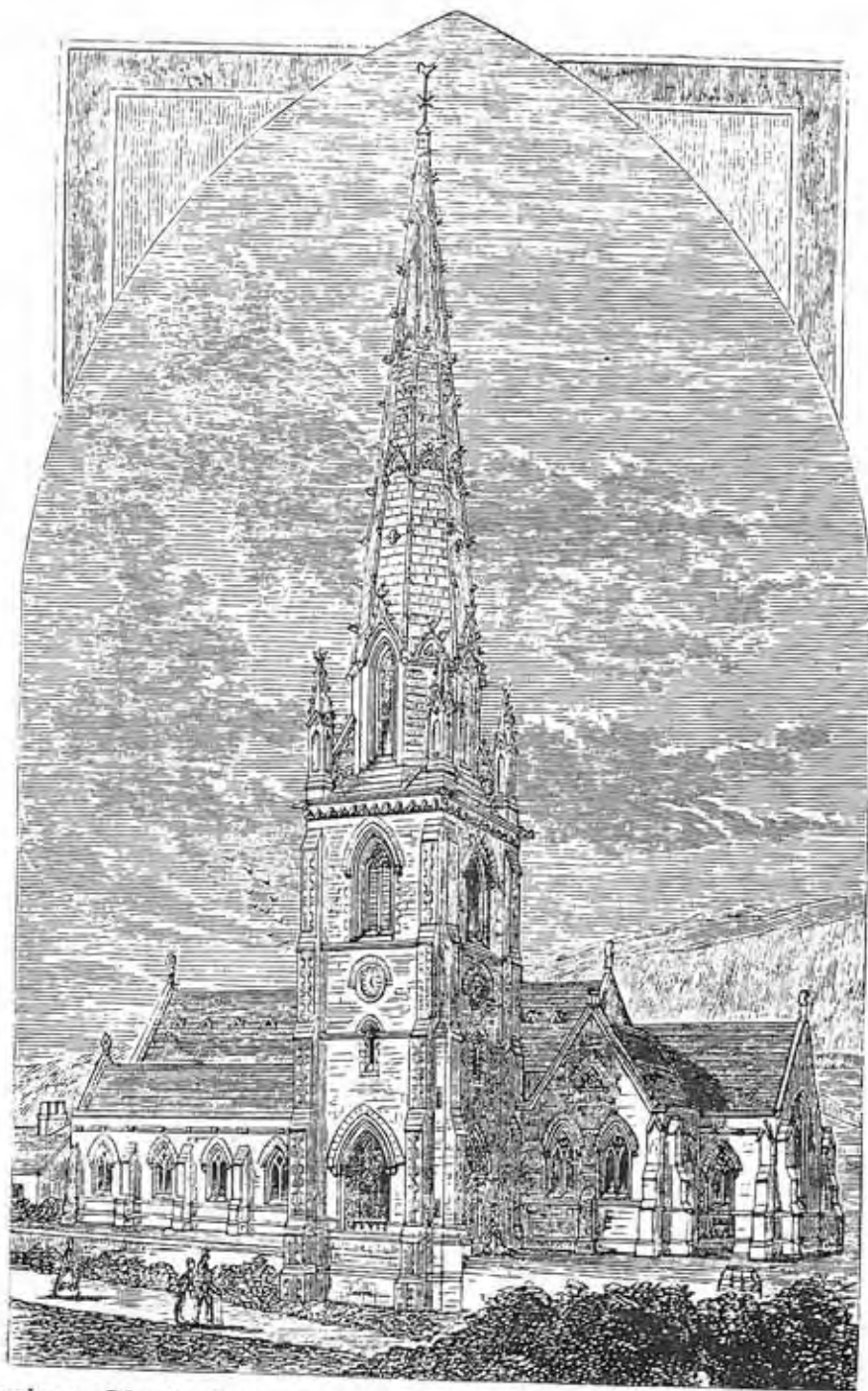


Church of the Saviour, SOUTHAMPTON (Hampshire).

Built in 1845,

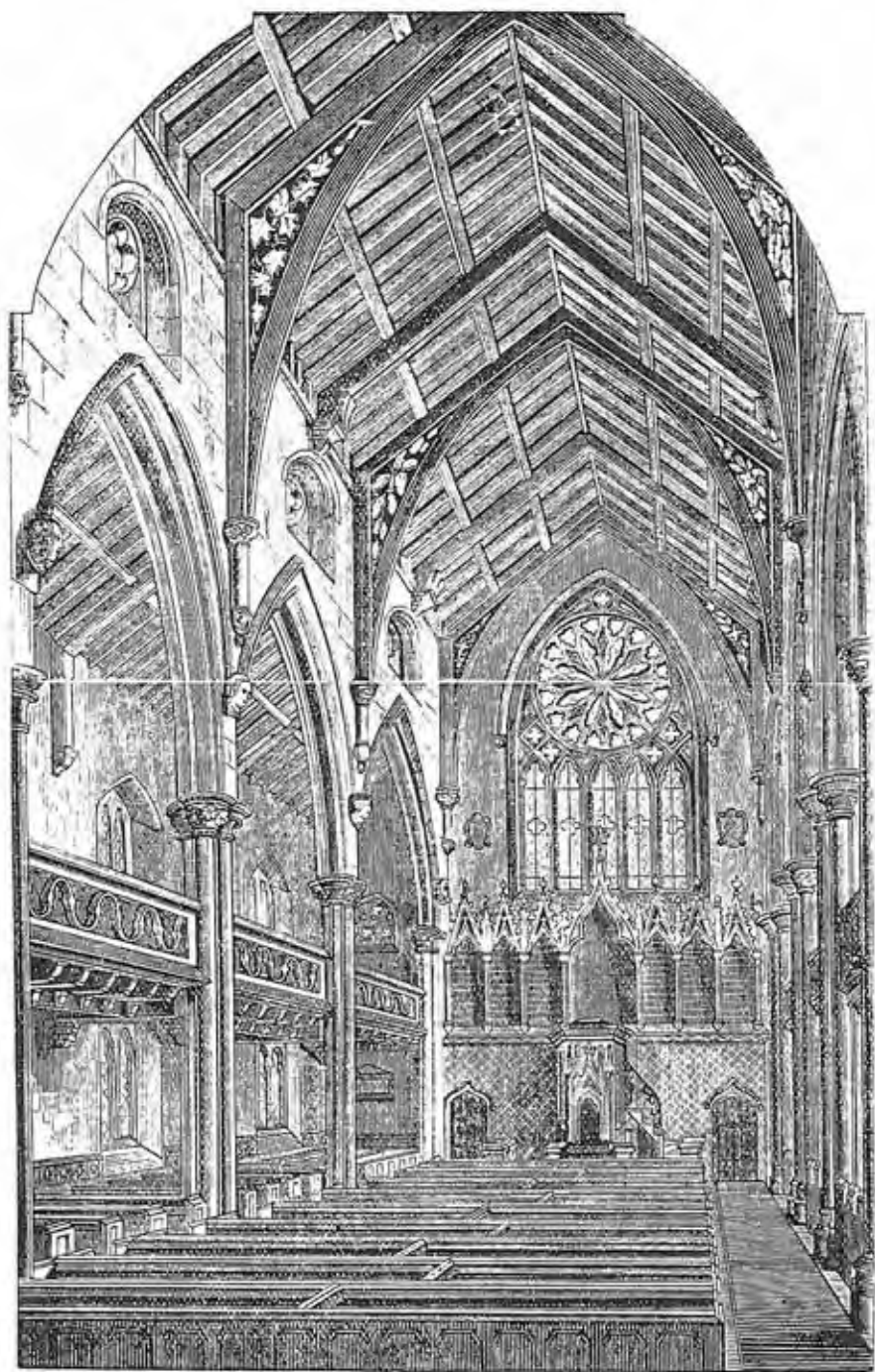


Unitarian Iron Church, Truro Road, WALTHAMSTOW
(Essex).



Unitarian Christian Church, TODMORDEN (Lancashire).

Founded in 1806, springing out of Joseph Cooke's Mission movement. The old Church was built in 1824.
The present building was raised by the munificence of Joshua Fielden in 1869.



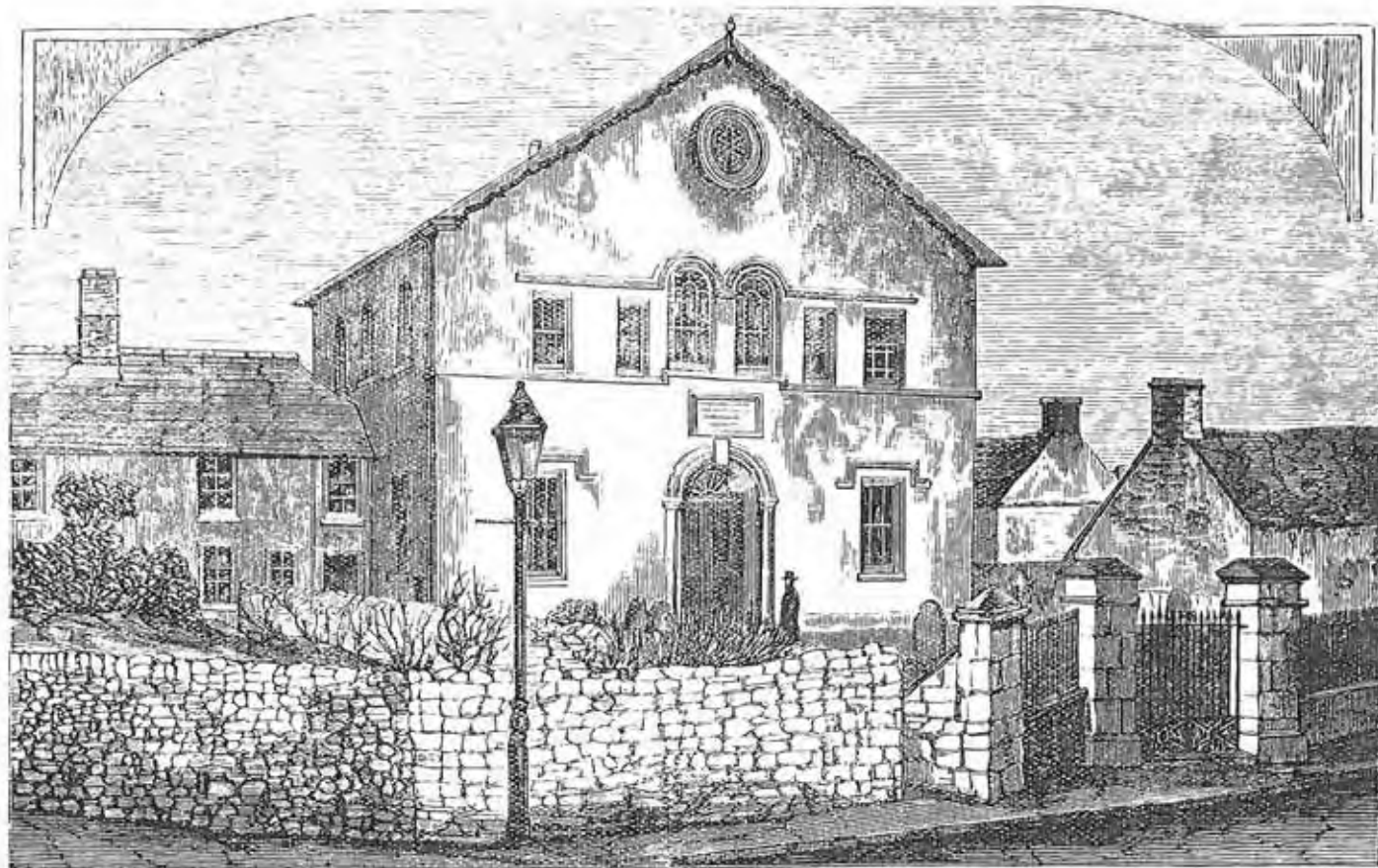
Interior of Conegre Unitarian Baptist Chapel,
TROWBRIDGE (Wiltshire).

The Rev. Samuel Martin, playfully called Father Martin, ministered here. He used to fill this little Chapel to overflowing. See the history of Trowbridge Chapel in Part II. of the volume.



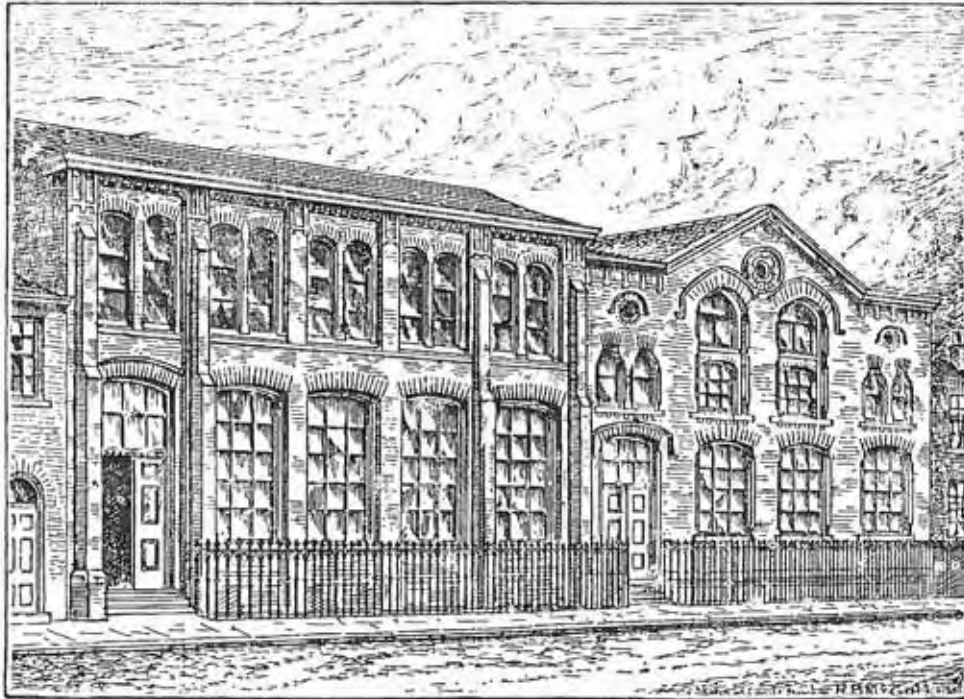
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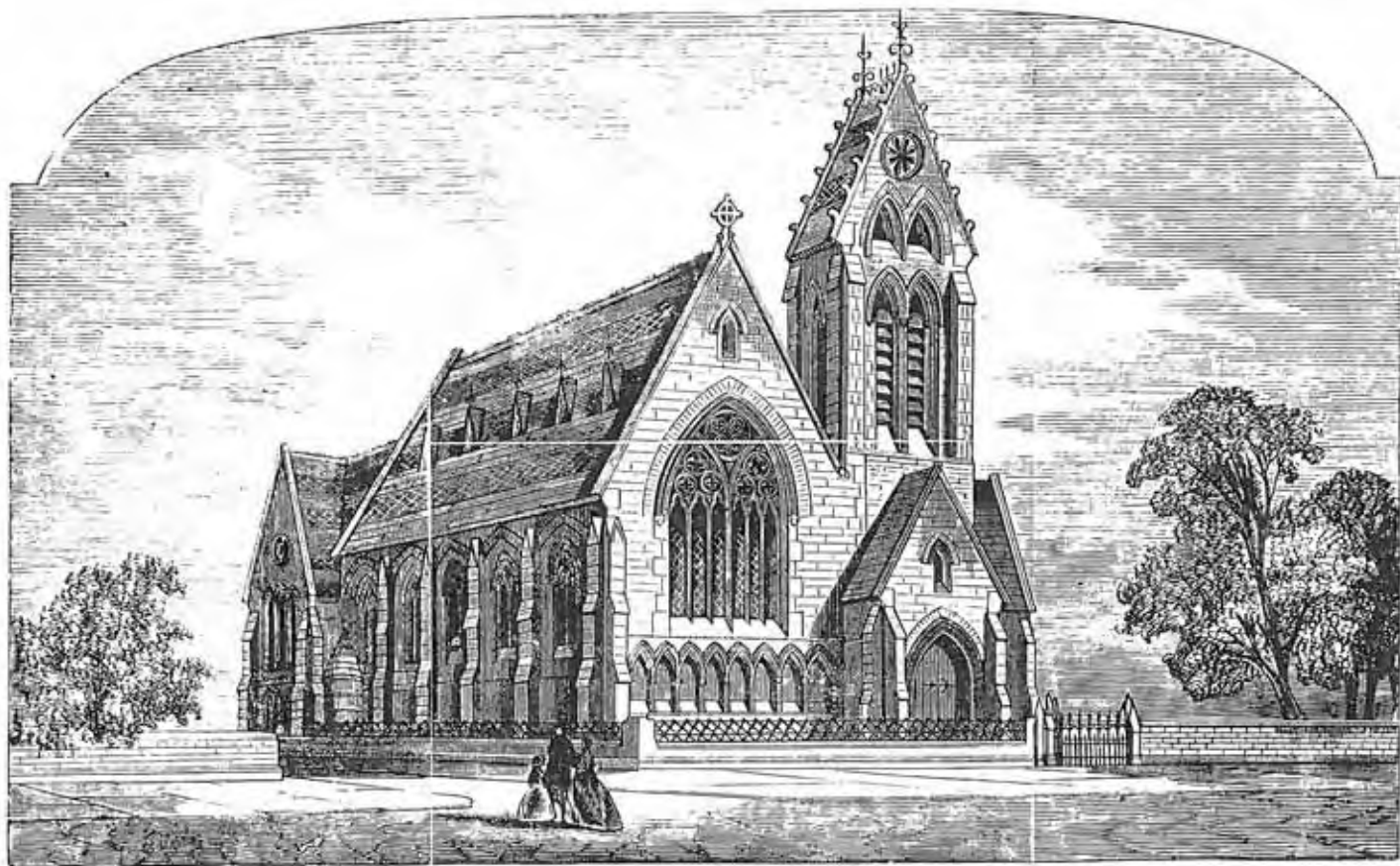


The Old Meeting House, ABERDARE (Glamorganshire), South Wales.

The first Meeting House was built in 1751. Present Church built in 1862. Services in the Welsh tongue.

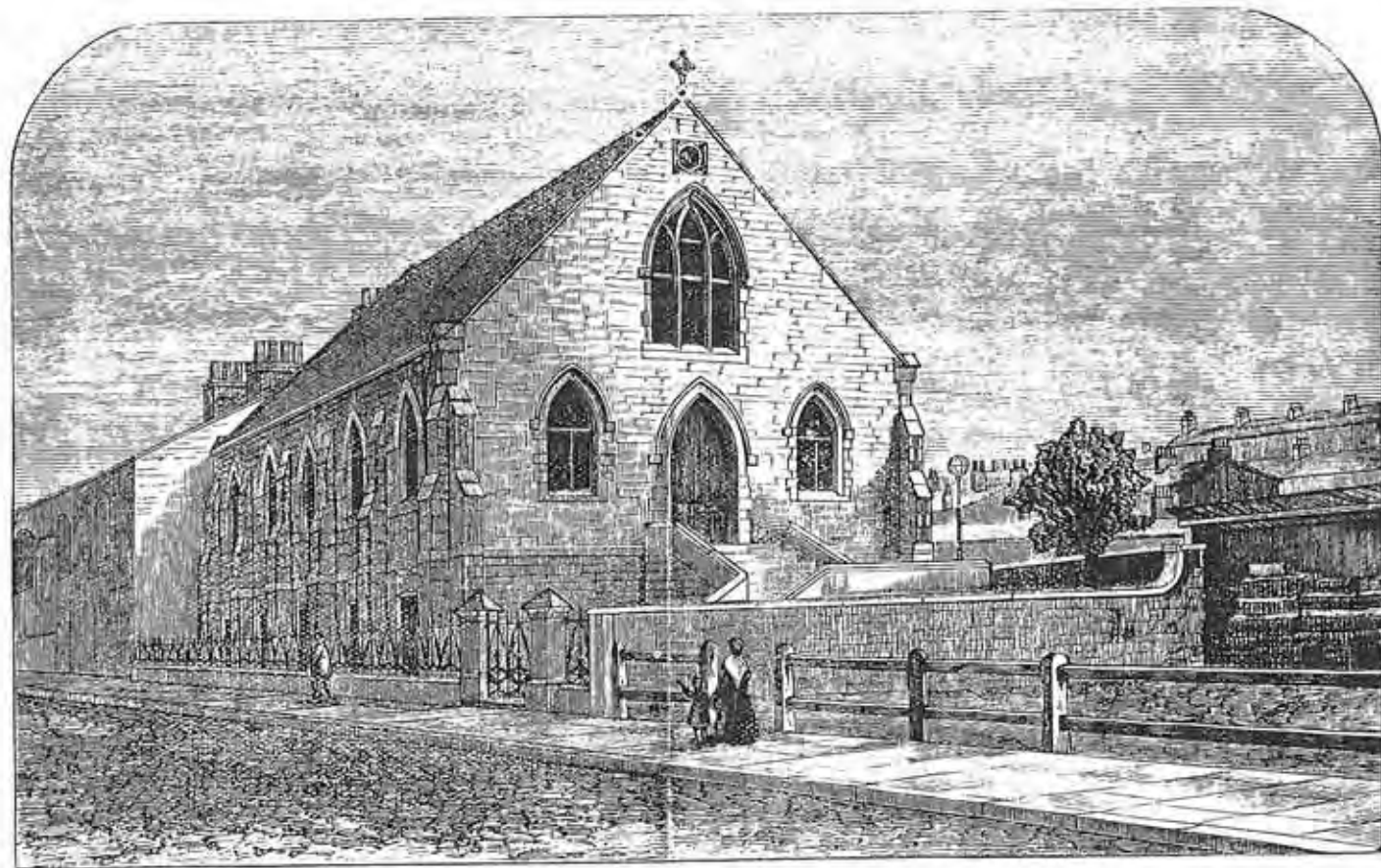


Commission Street Unitarian Chapel and Sunday Schools, Bolton.
(Lancashire).
Built 1868.



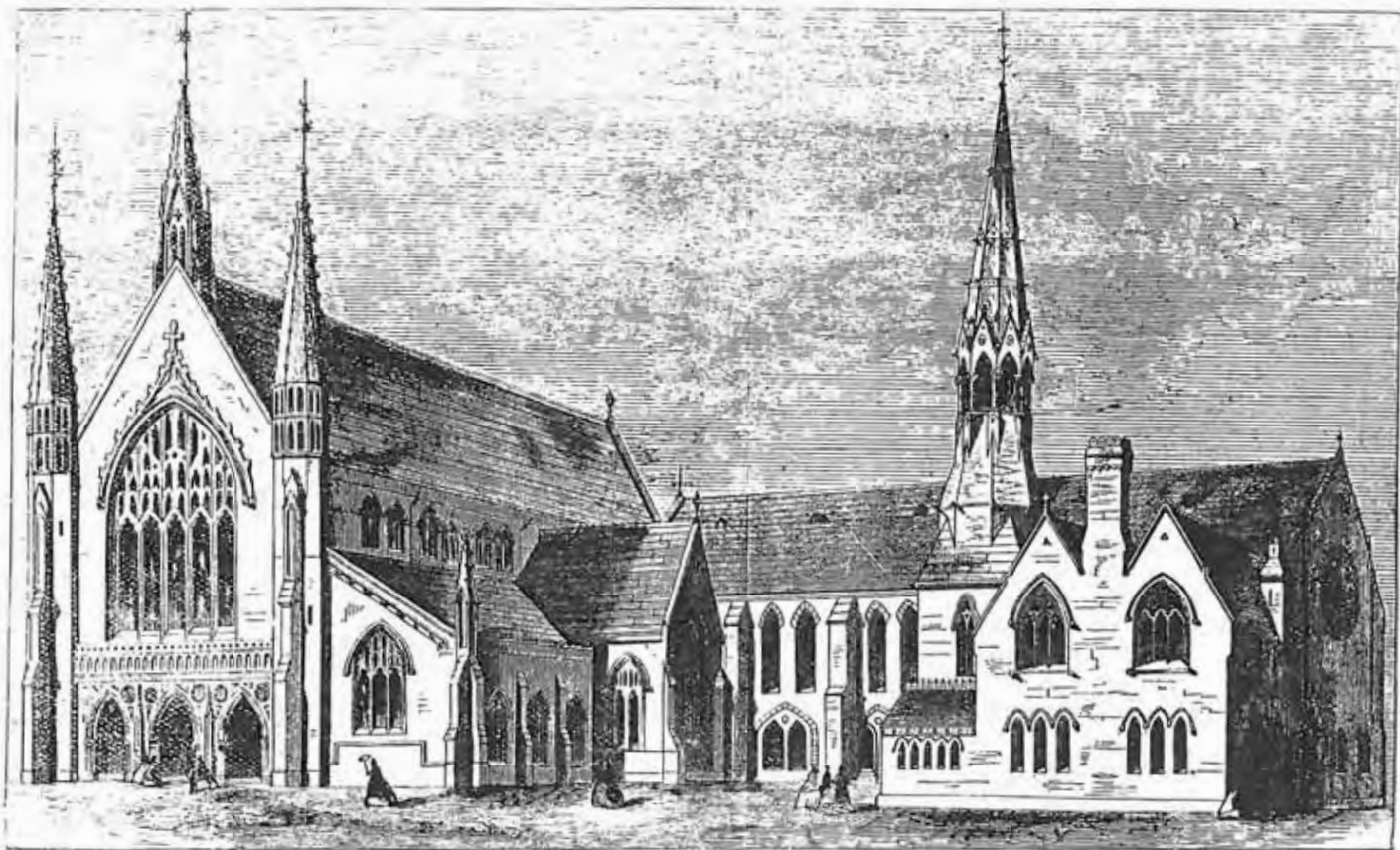
Oakfield Road Church, Clifton, BRISTOL (Gloucestershire).

Built in 1864.



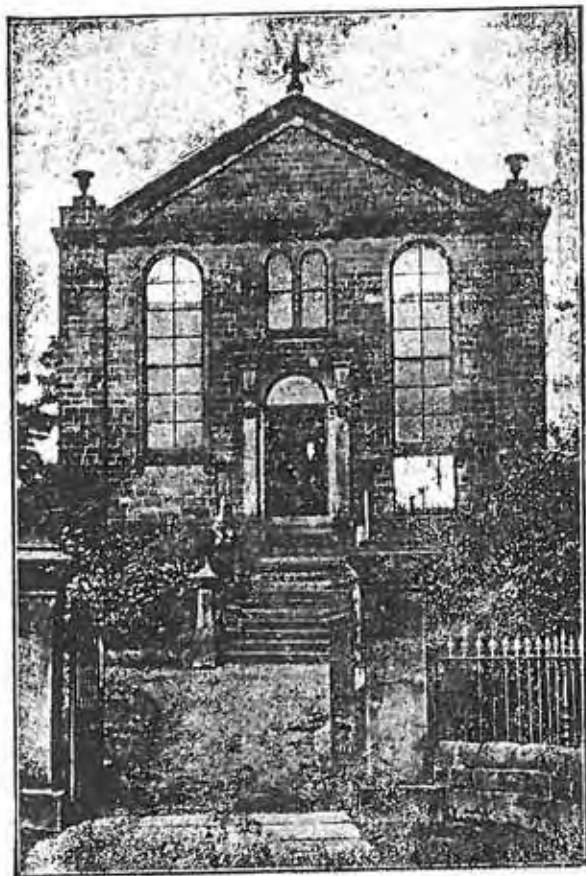
Unitarian Church, Trafalgar Street, BURNLEY (Lancashire).

Founded in 1858, built in 1871. The interior was re-modelled in 1894, and the space in front of the Church completely filled up with a block of Schoolrooms and a fine Hall for meetings.



Presbyterian Chapel and Schoolrooms, Bank Street, BURY (Lancashire).

The ancient Chapel was built in 1719, enlarged in 1775, re-built in 1837. The present building erected in 1852.



Highfield Rd. Unitarian Church, IDLE,
nr. Bradford (Yorkshire).

Founded 1853. Built 1858.



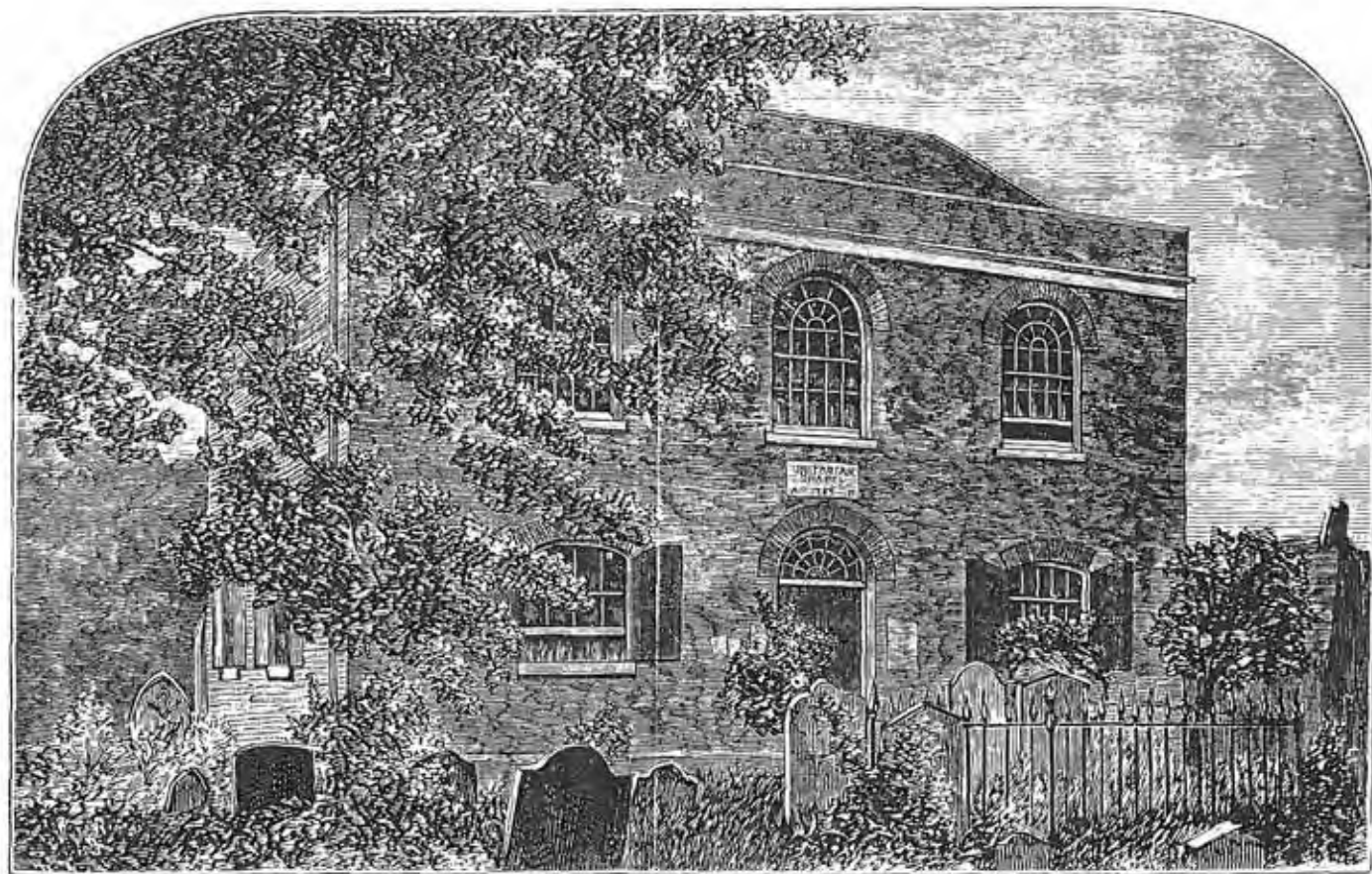
West Grove, CARDIFF, Glamorgan-
shire (Wales),

Founded in 1880. Built in 1886.



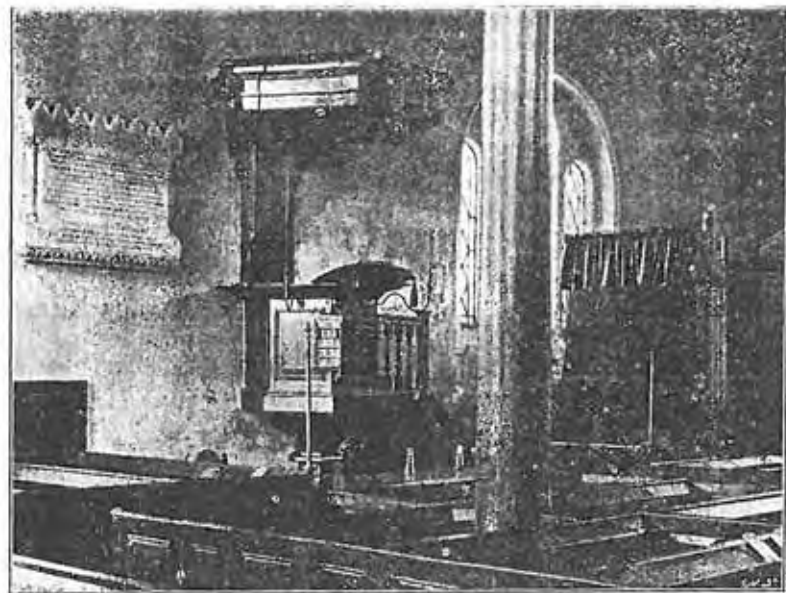
Elder Yard Chapel, CHESTERFIELD (Derbyshire).

Built in 1694, and an addition made at the east end in 1823.



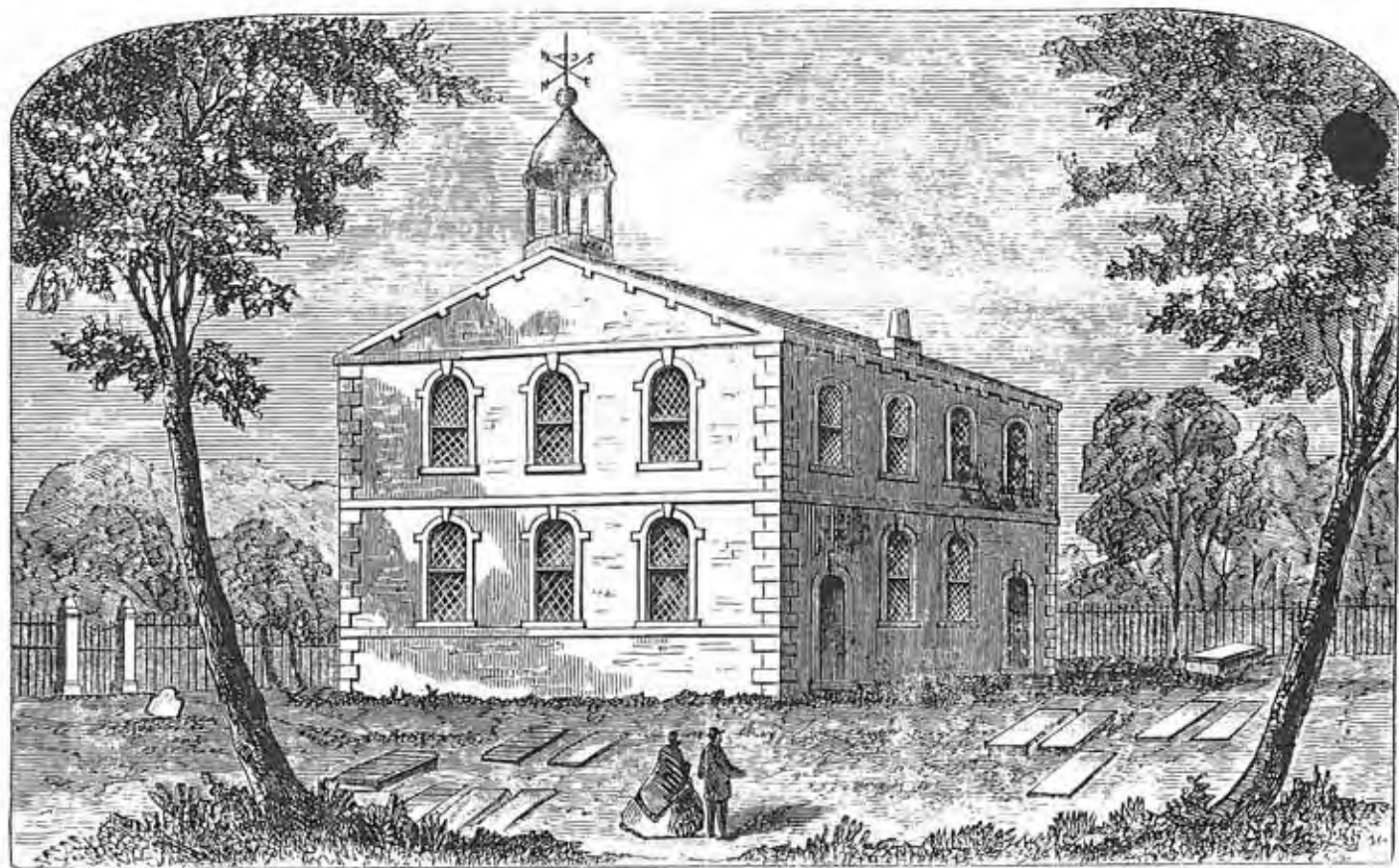
Matthew Henry's Chapel, Trinity St., off Watergate St., CHESTER (Cheshire).

Founded 1672. The above building was opened in 1700, as in woodcut. Since re-fronted in 1862, and restored in 1899.



The Interior of Matthew Henry's Chapel.

The oldest Nonconformist Chapel in Chester. Foundation stone laid in 1699. Opened 1700. The above view shows the original Pulpit, and a Tablet erected in 1802 to celebrate the Bicentenary of Matthew Henry's birth. His ministry lasted from 1687 to 1712.



[Presbyterian Chapel (Unitarian), CHOWBENT, Atherton (Lancashire).

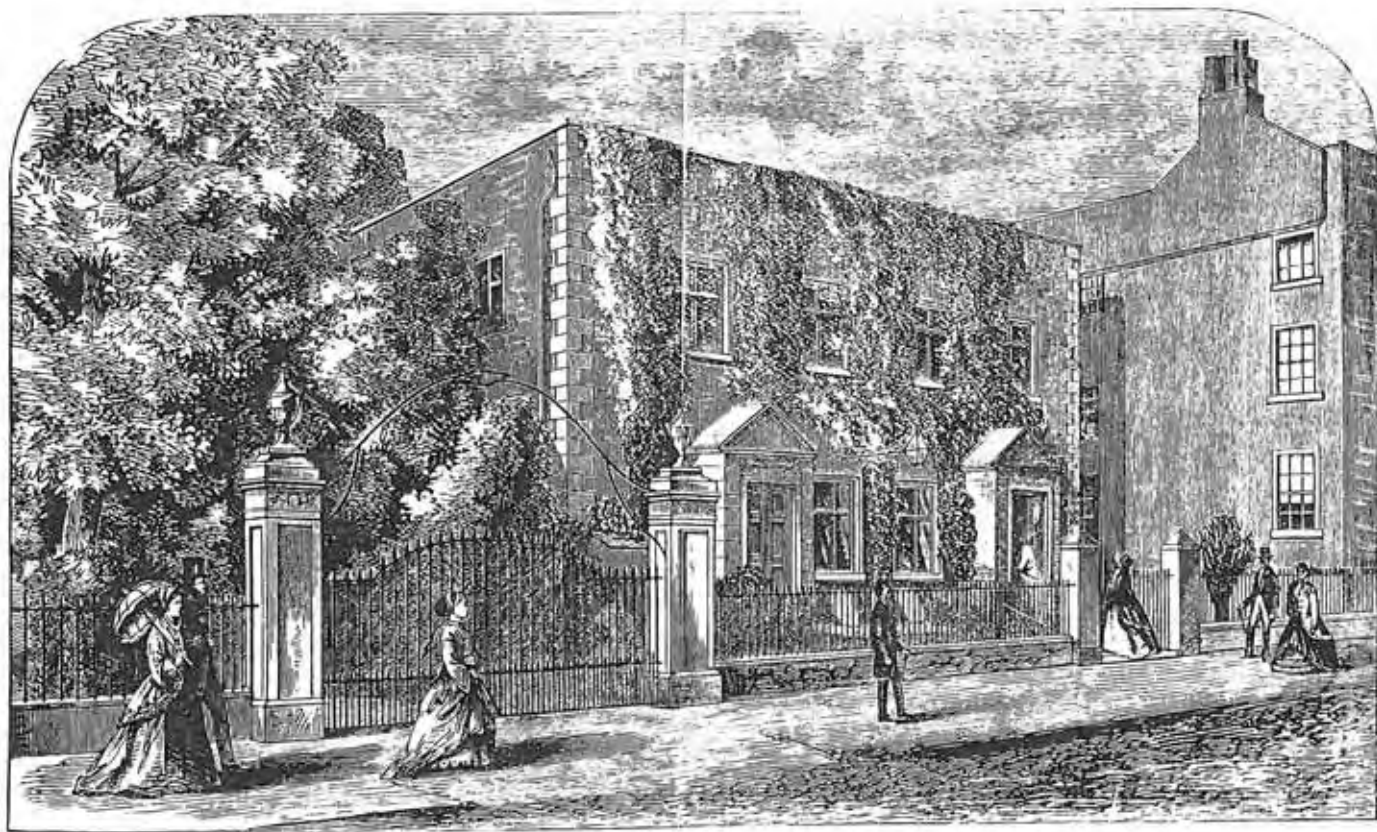
Founded in 1645. Built in 1722.]

In the burial ground are laid the remains of Rev. John Taylor, of Norwich.



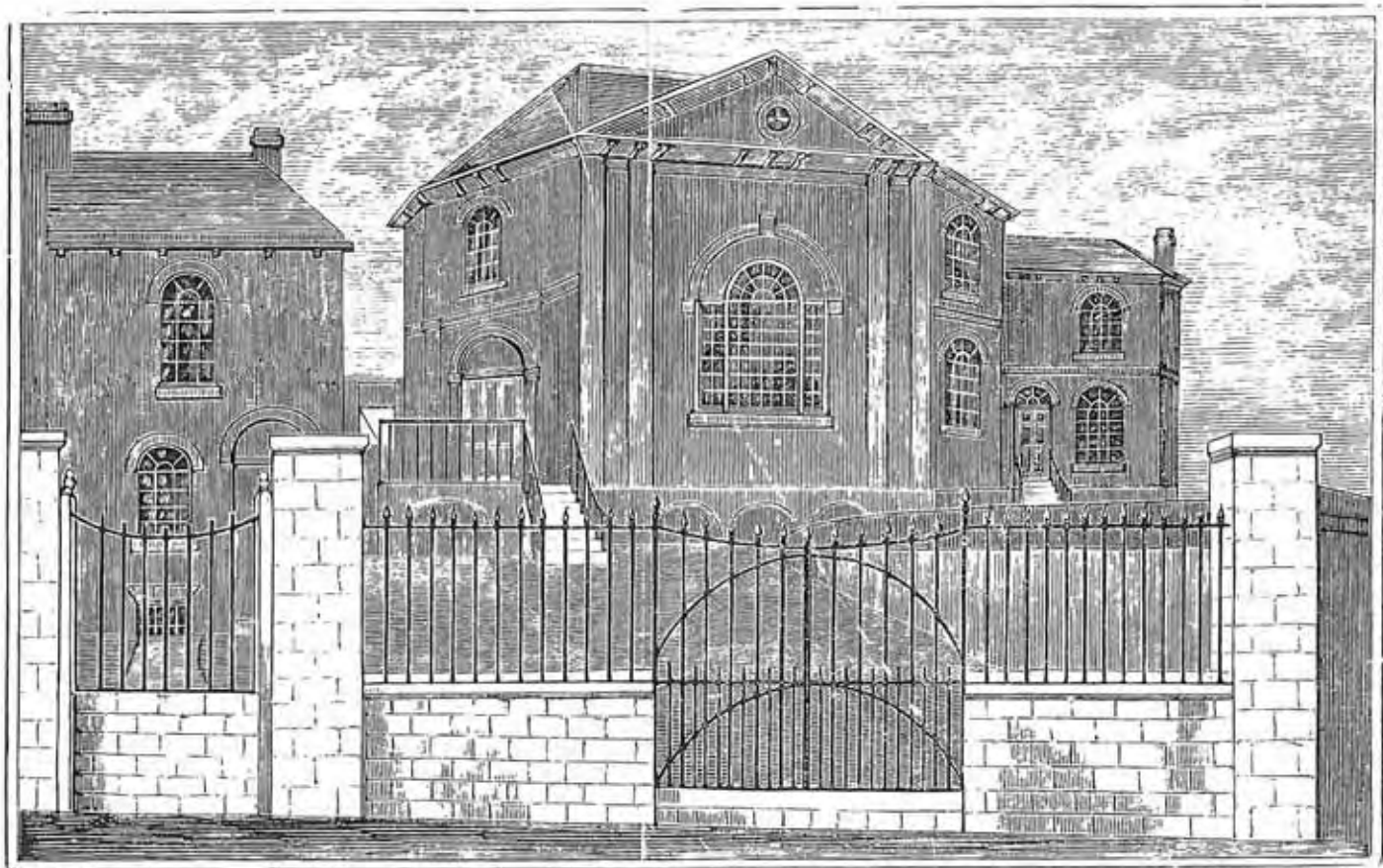
Unitarian Chapel, DEAN ROW, near Wilmslow (Cheshire).

Founded in 1688. Built in 1704. The picture represents it as it appeared before 1871, at which date additional land was added to the Chapel yard, and the hedge and gate were done away with.



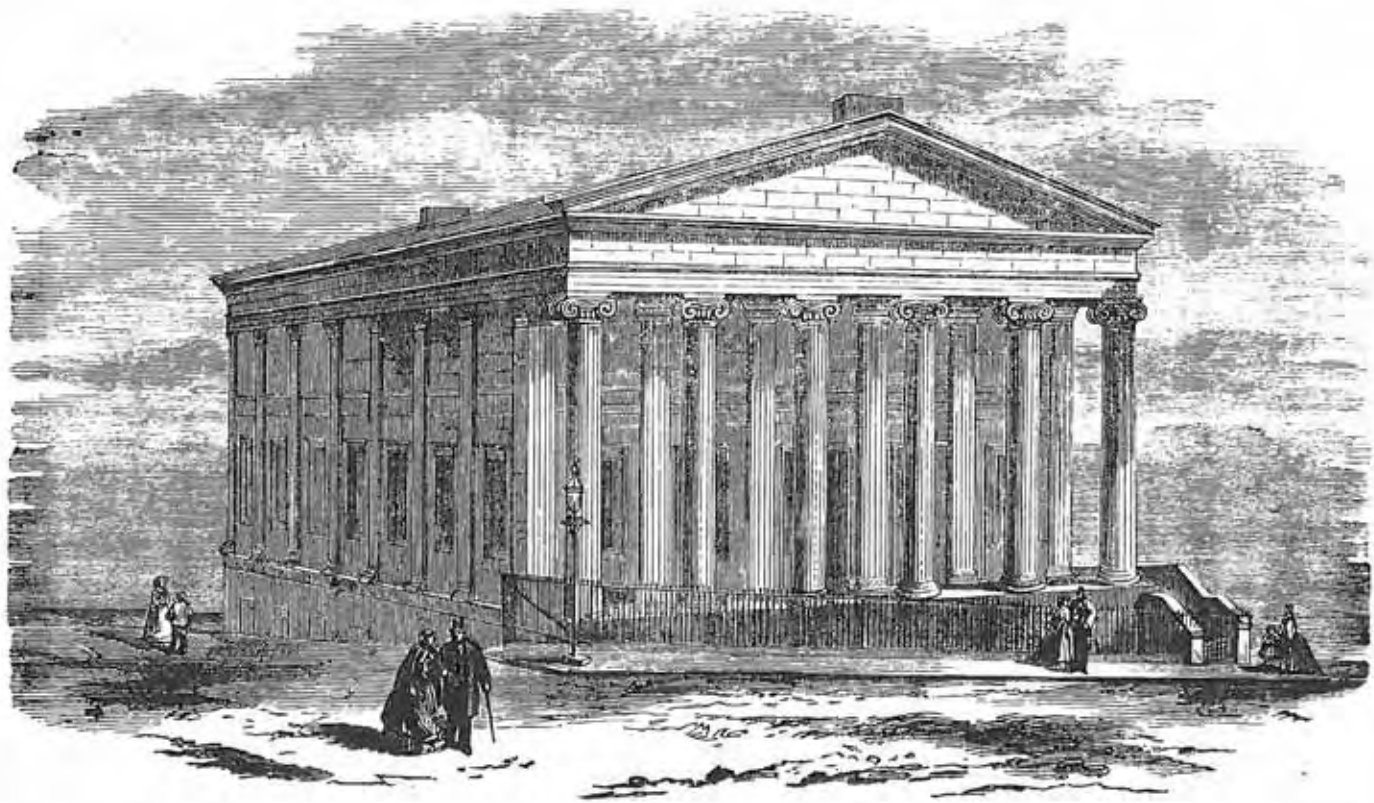
Friargate Unitarian Chapel, DERBY (Derbyshire).

Founded in 1500. The Congregation met first in the Chapel of St. Mary-on-the-Bridge. Thence it removed to a building at the corner of Irongate, about 1685. Lastly, Friargate Chapel was built in 1693 (as in engraving). The front of the Chapel has since been re-modelled, in 1890. The two first known ministers of this Chapel had both been ejected by the Act of Uniformity in 1662. In later days Dr. Crosskey and Dr. Hutton have ministered in this Chapel. In the ground behind was buried Mr. Joseph Strutt, who gave the Arboretum to the town.



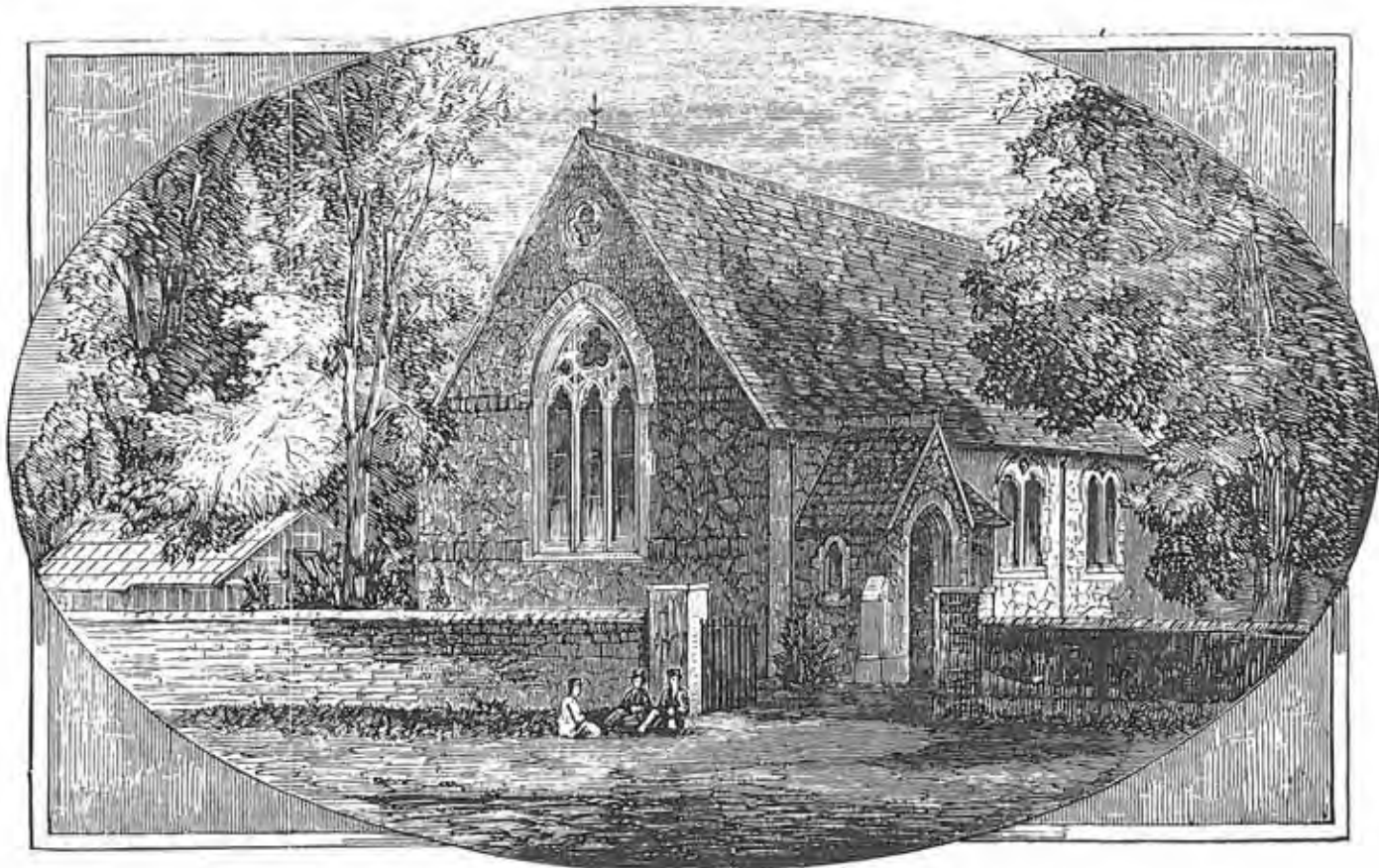
Unitarian Baptist Church, Adrian Street, DOVER (Kent).

Founded in 1643. Present Building 1820.



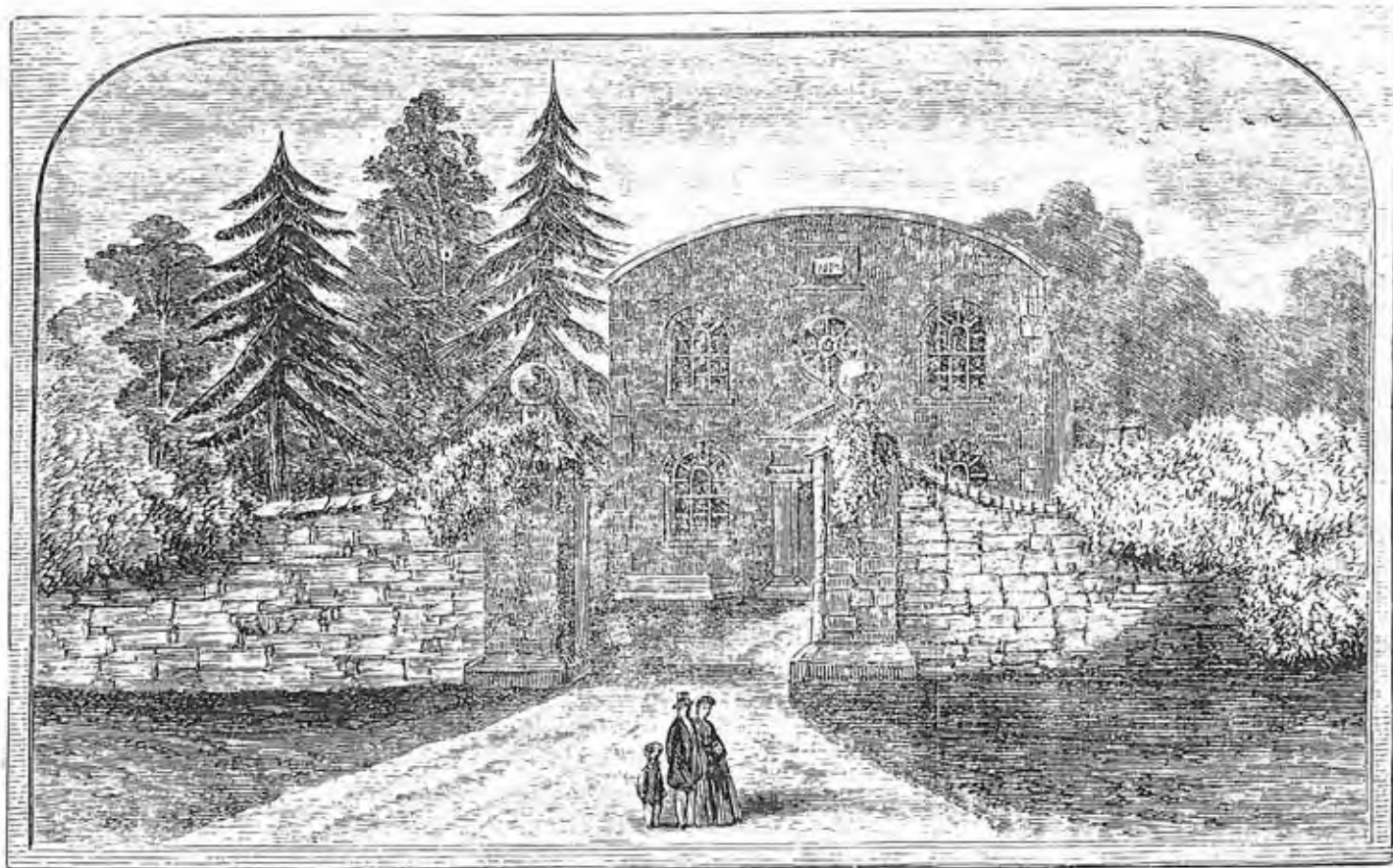
St. Vincent Street Unitarian Church, GLASGOW, Lanarkshire (Scotland).

Founded in 1810. The first Church was built in Union Street in 1812, the present building in St. Vincent Street in 1850.



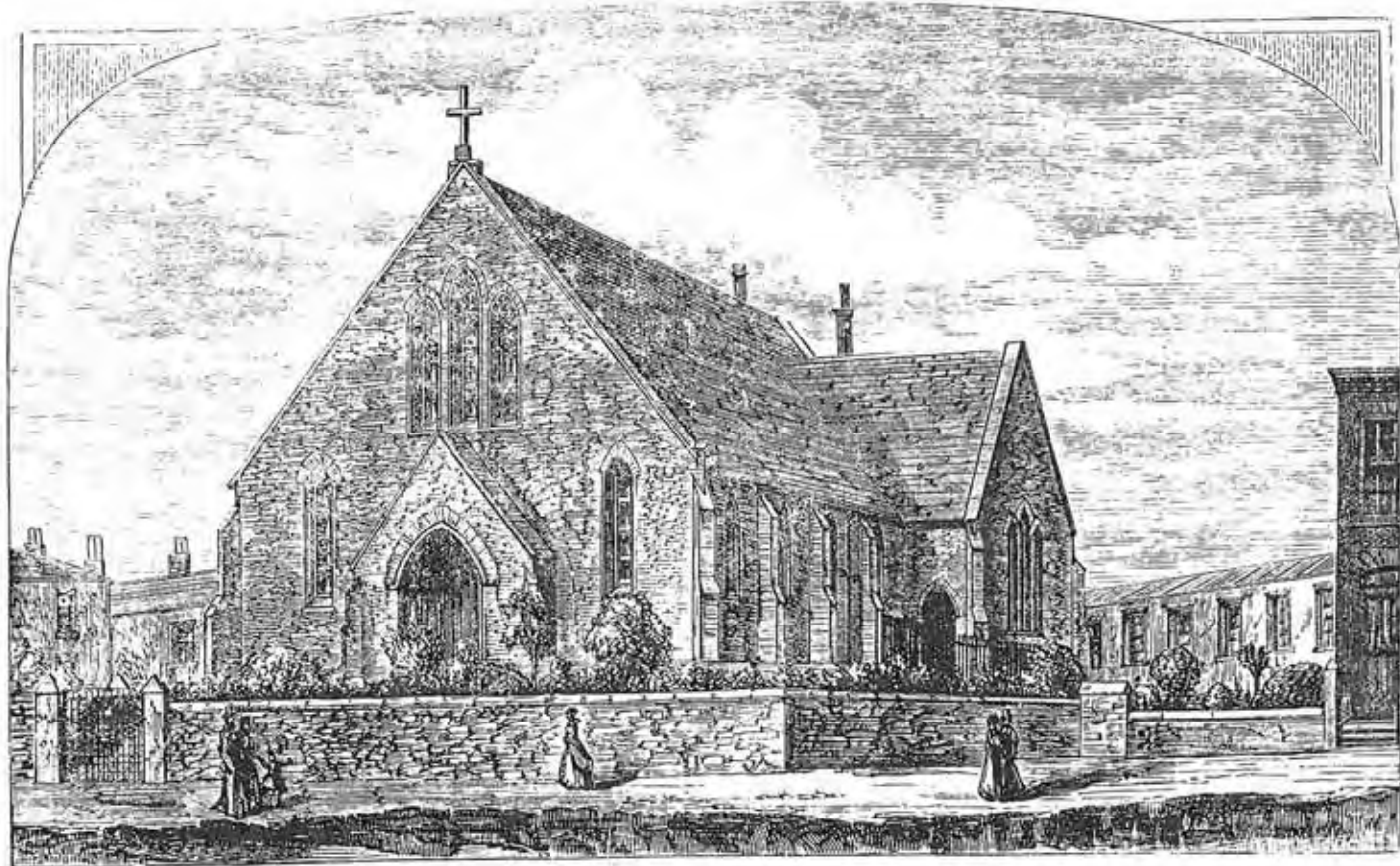
Mead Row Unitarian Church, GODALMING (Surrey).

Founded in 1688. The ancient Chapel, at the far end of the garden, was built about 1790, as a General Baptist Church, but the constitution was changed to Unitarian in 1841. It is now used for the Sunday School, and the present building, standing close to the road, was erected in 1870.



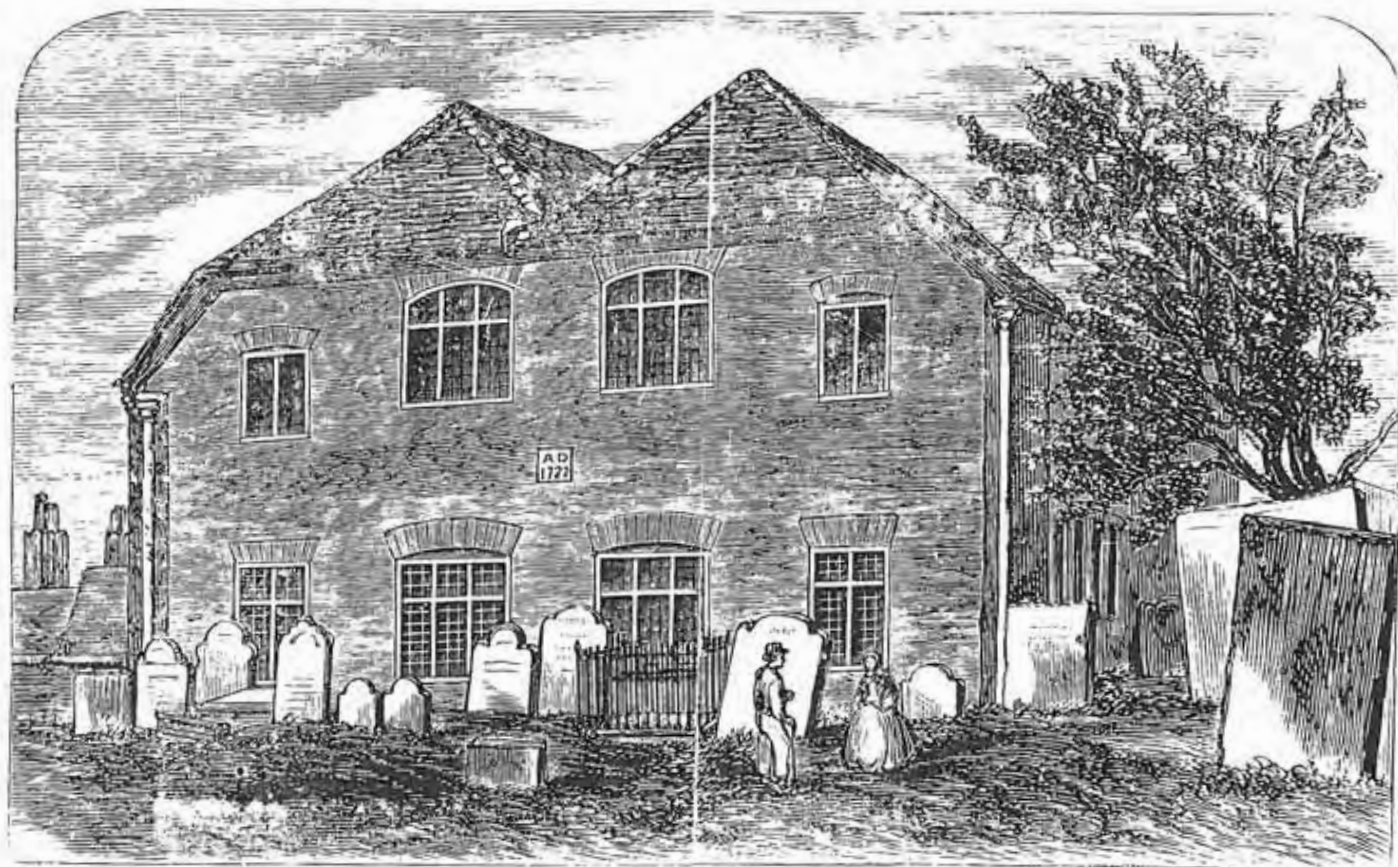
Unitarian Church, GULLIFORD, near Exeter (Devonshire).

The original Church was built in 1869 by the exertions of the Rev. Samuel Foxe, one of the 2,000 ejected ministers. Re-built about 1890, and has since been unfortunately closed.



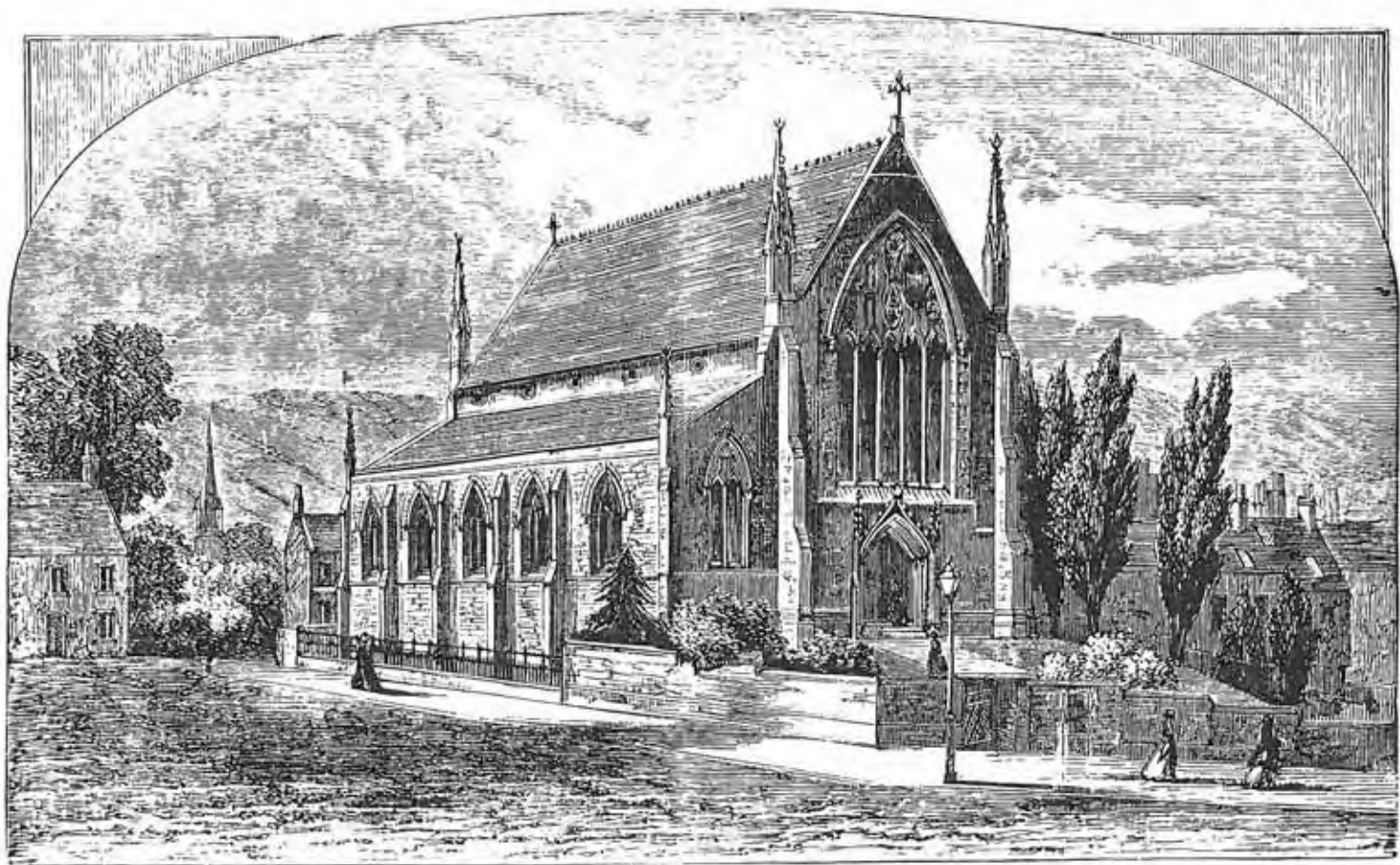
Unitarian Church, Britain Hill, HEYWOOD (Lancashire).

Founded in 1856 in a hired room by friends from Bury and Rochdale. The present Church was built in 1860.



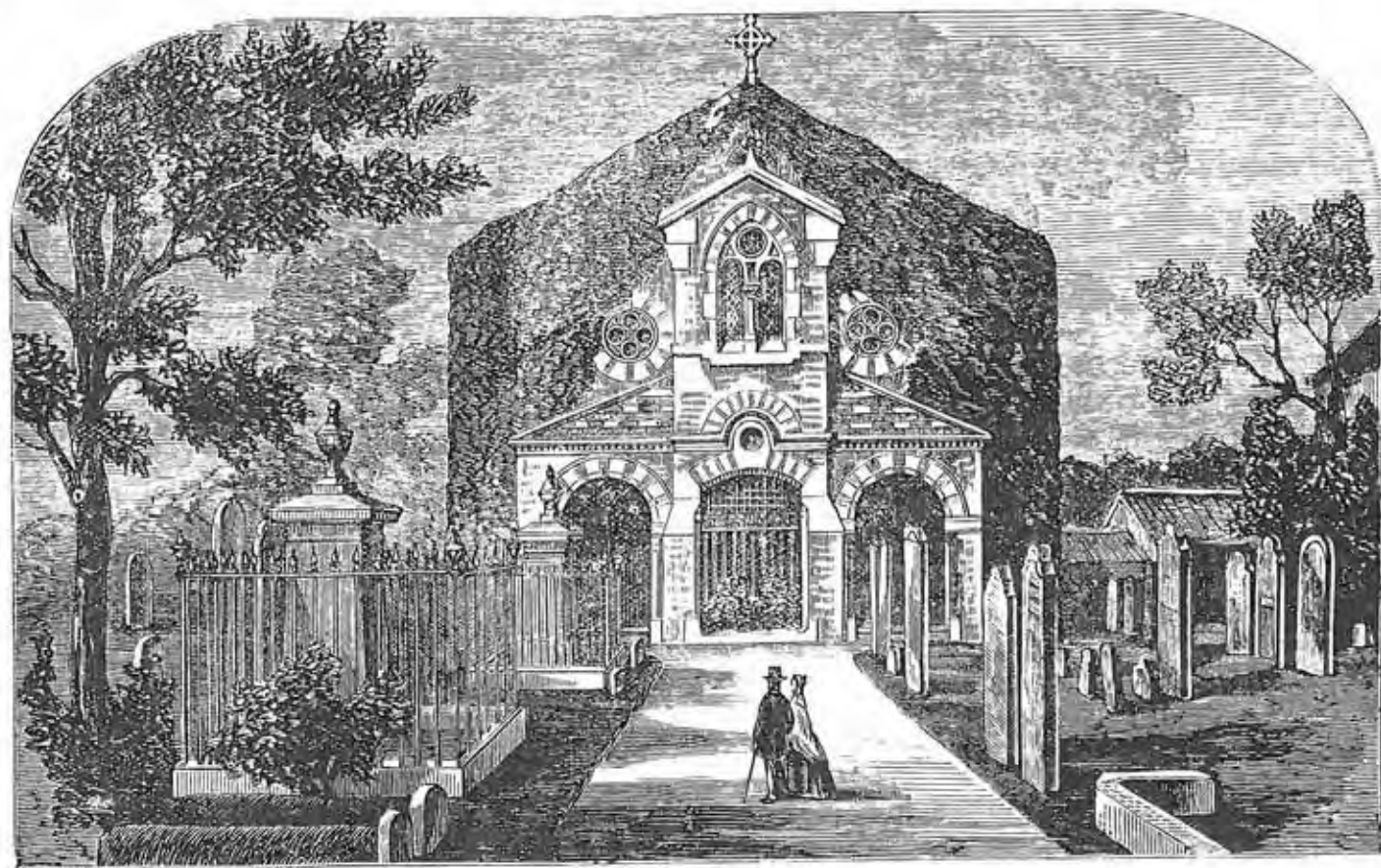
Great Meeting, Baines Lane, HINCKLEY (Leicestershire).

Founded about 1680, and after assembling in the Minister's house for forty years, the Chapel was built in 1772.



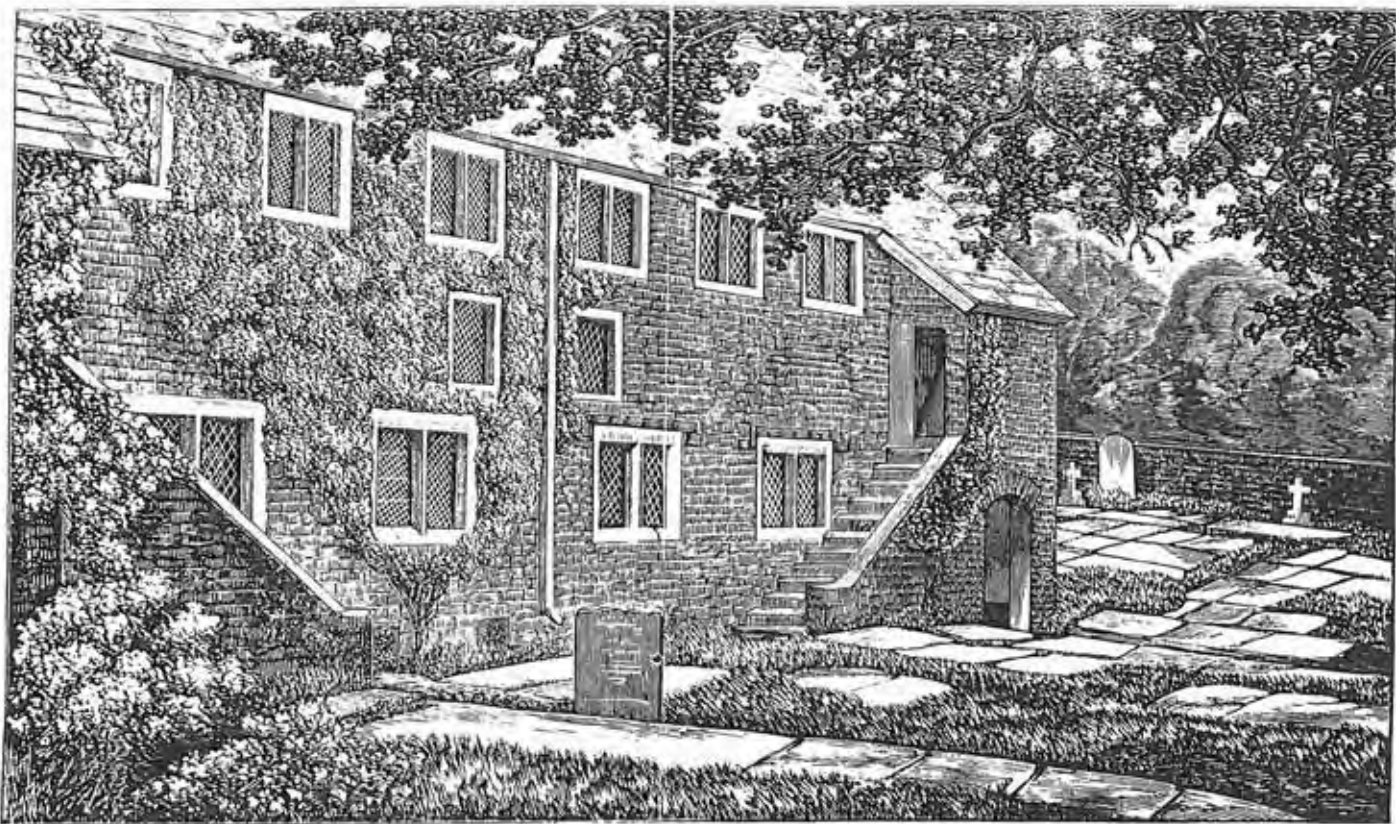
Fitzwilliam Street Church, HUDDERSFIELD (Yorkshire).

Built in 1854.



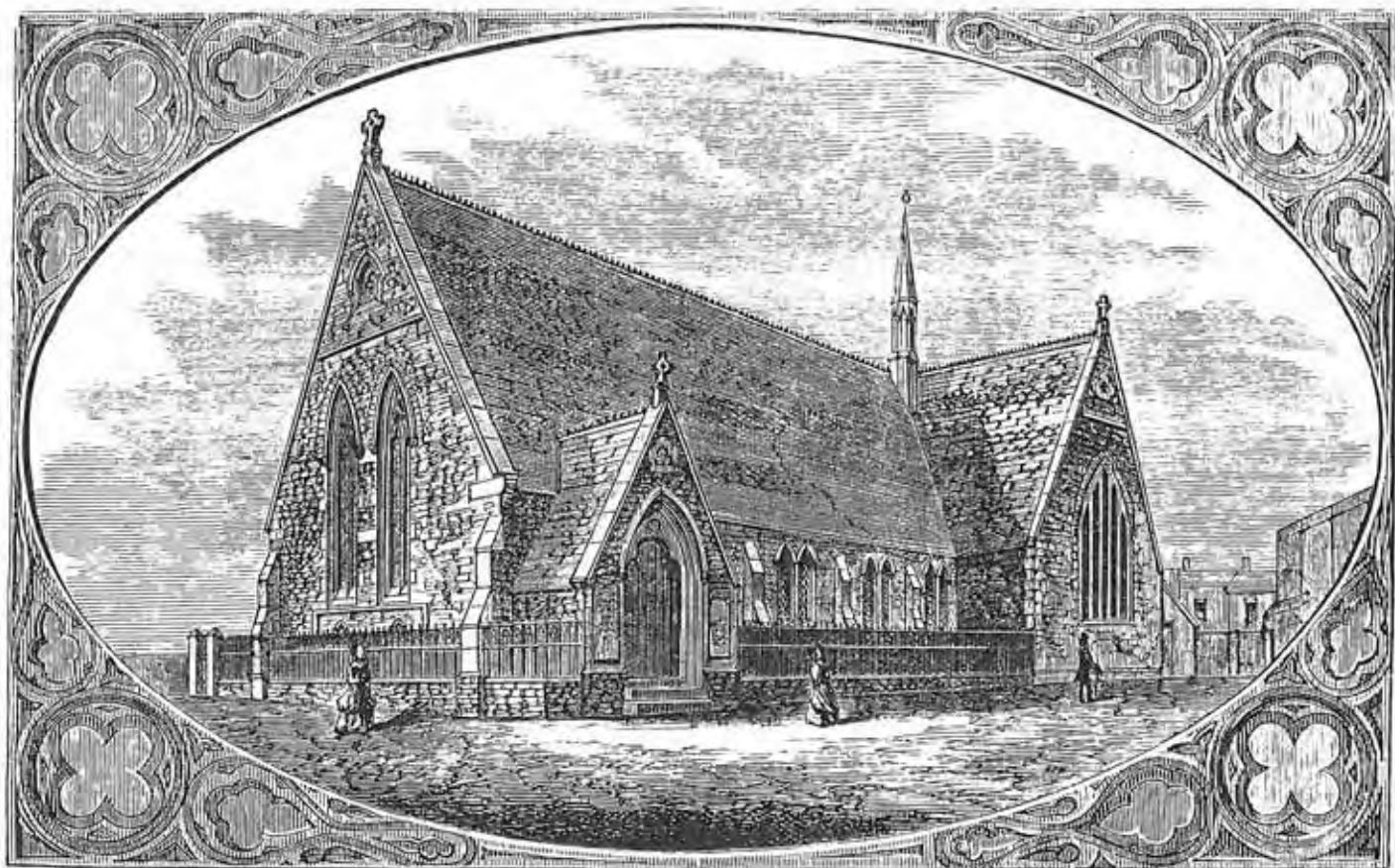
Unitarian Christian Church, KINGSWOOD, Hollywood, near Birmingham
(Worcestershire).

The first Chapel was called Dollox Chapel. It was built in 1708, and was destroyed by fire in the Church and King Riots, July, 1791. Re-built in 1792.
The present Chapel was erected in 1806, but has been considerably altered and improved.



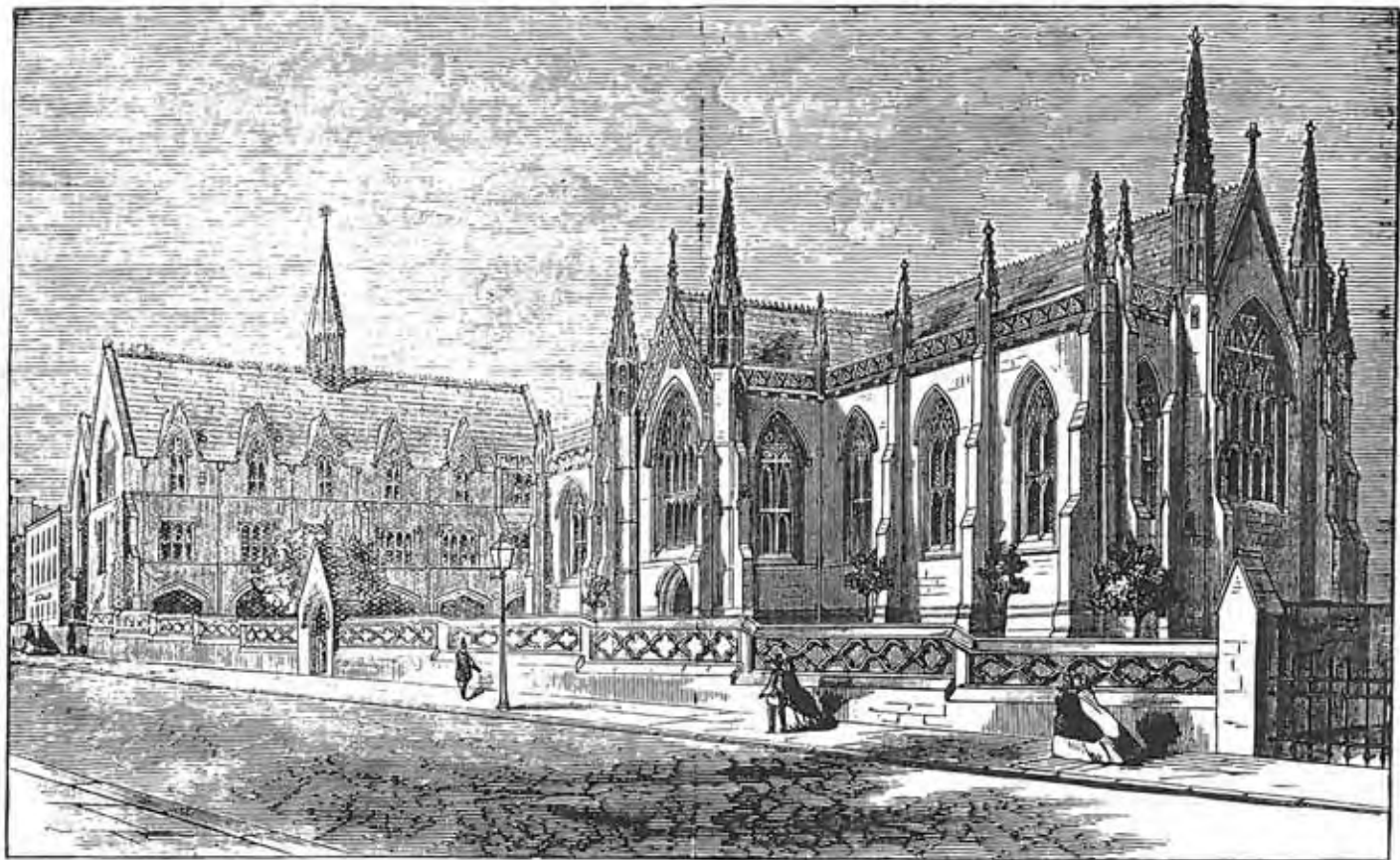
Brook Street Chapel, KNUTSFORD (Cheshire).

Built about 1689, during the ministry of the Rev. Mr. Tong. Under the cross, to the right hand of the picture, lie the remains of Mrs. Gaskell, the authoress.



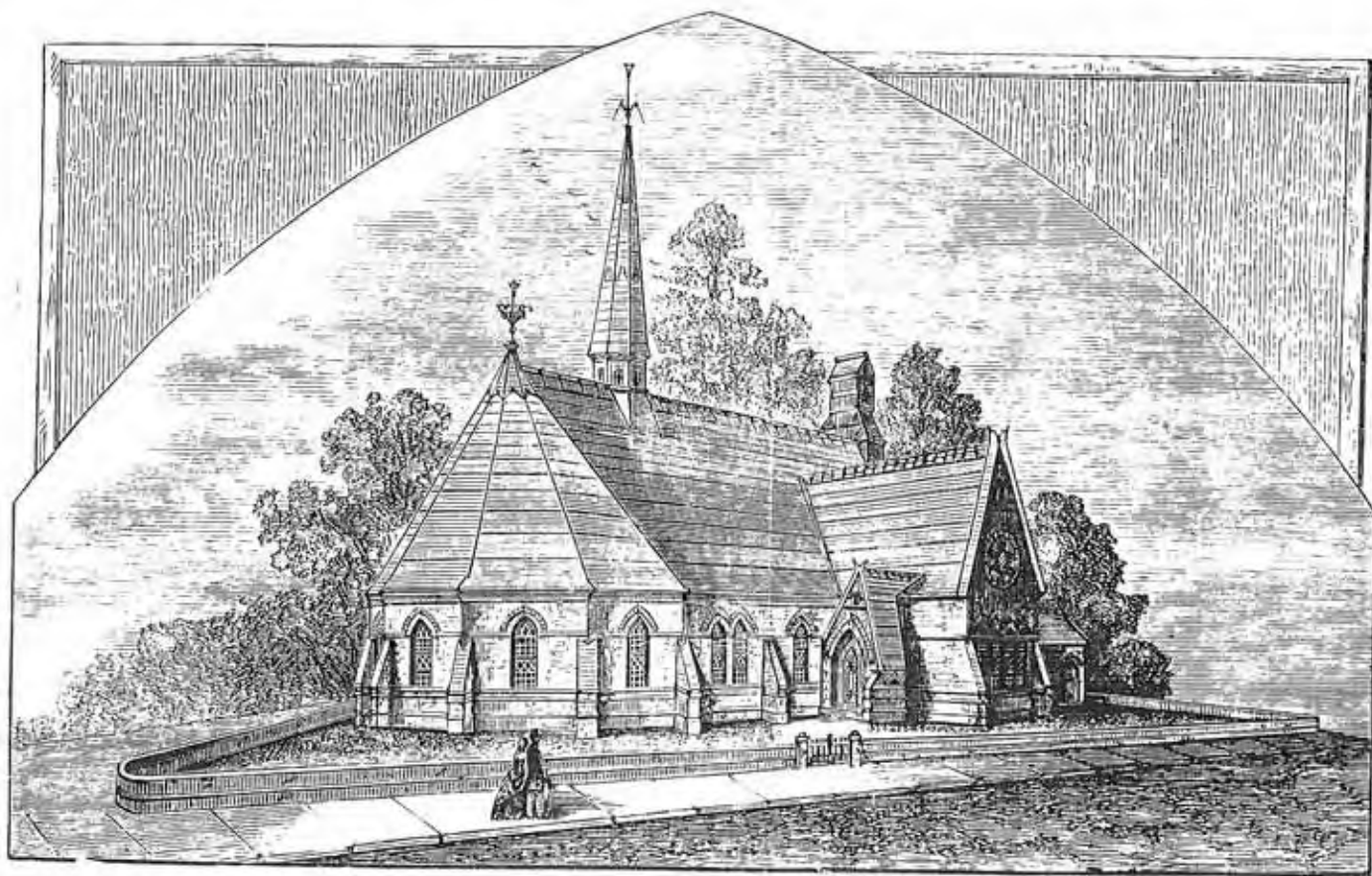
Unitarian Church, Joseph Street, Hunslet, LEEDS (Yorkshire).

Founded in 1859 by Sunday School teachers from Mill Hill. The Church was built in 1862.



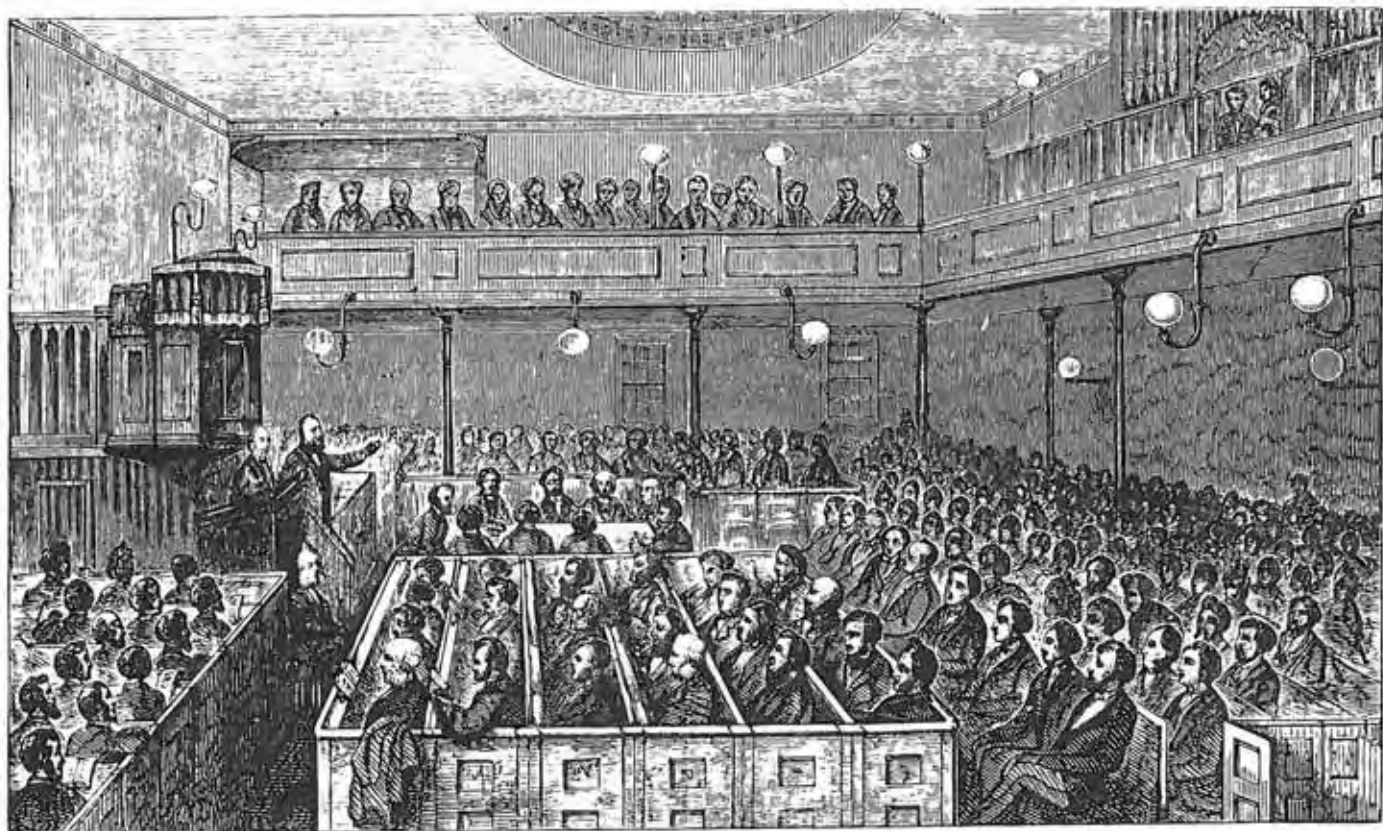
Mill Hill Chapel, LEEDS (Yorkshire).

The first Chapel was built in 1672. Present building, 1848. Dr. Priestley was minister here from 1767 to 1773.



Hamilton Road Unitarian Church, LIVERPOOL (Lancashire).

Built in 1871.



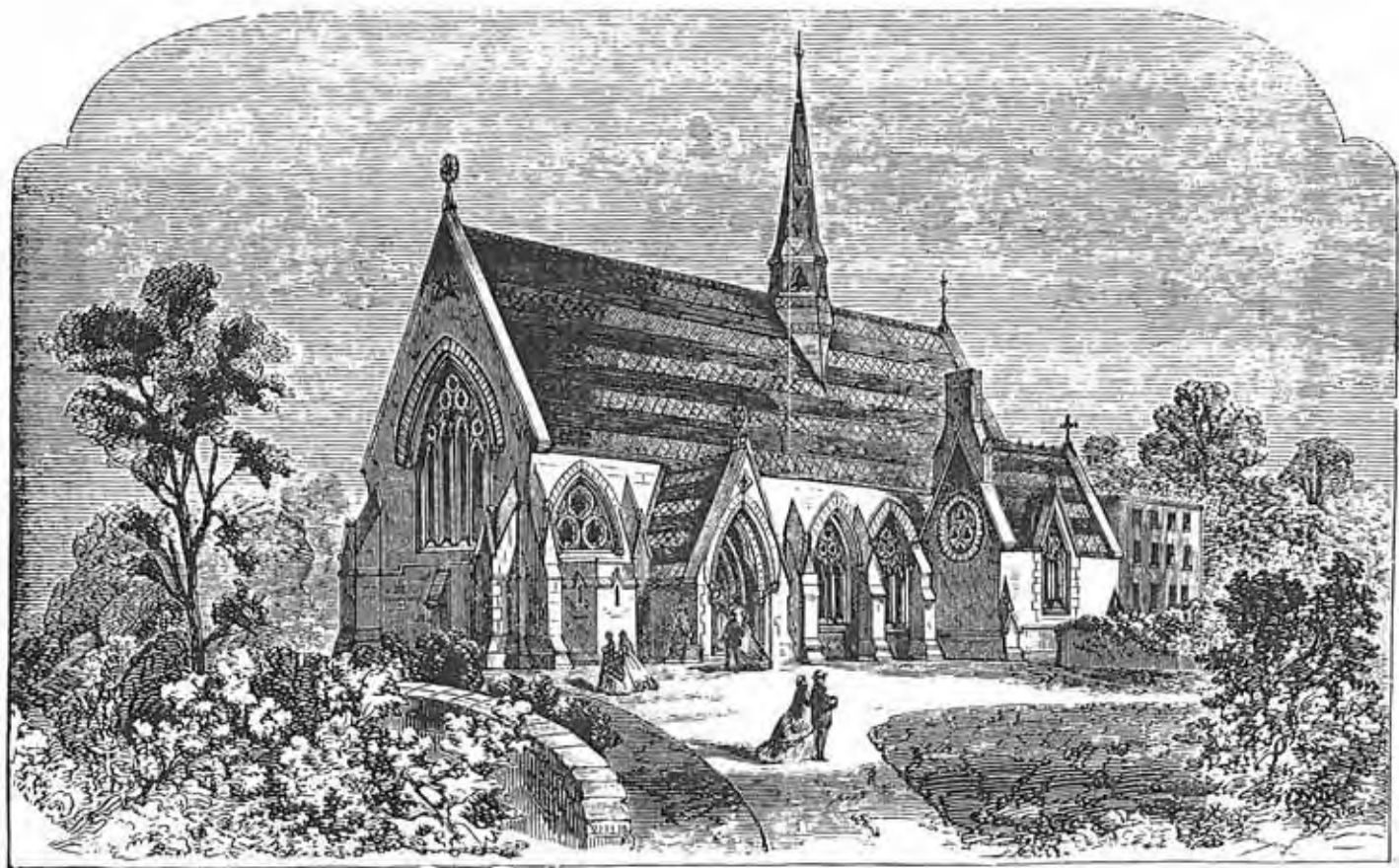
Interior of ESSEX STREET Unitarian Chapel (London).

As it appeared at the Centenary Meeting in 1874. This Church was opened in July, 1774, by the Rev. Theophilus Lindsey, who gave up his living of Catterick, in Yorkshire, and came to London to preach his new faith.



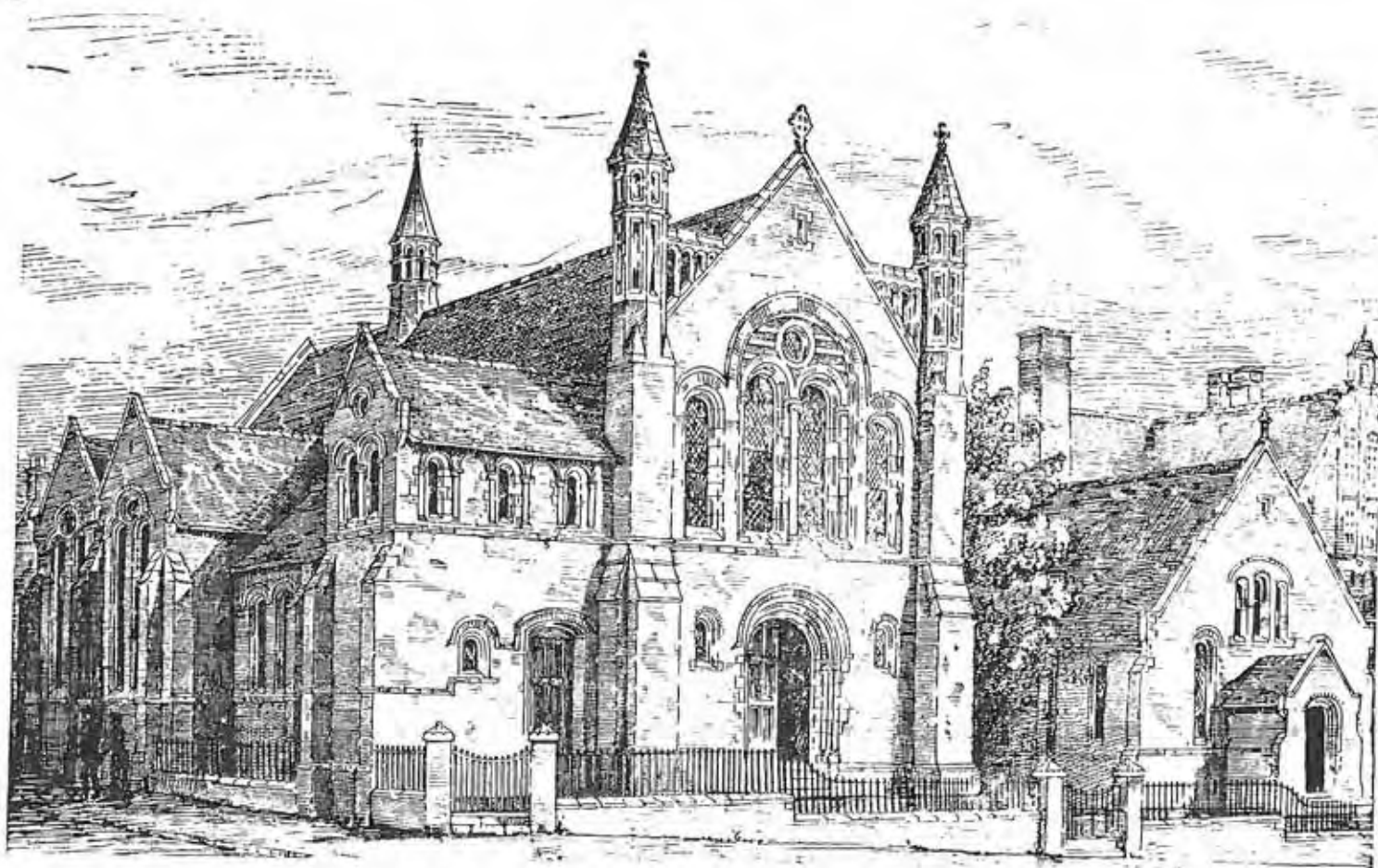
Unitarian Church, Chatham Place, HACKNEY (London).

Founded in 1688. Date of present building, 1858. Here have preached Dr. Price, Dr. Pricstley, Rev. T. Belsham, and Rev. Robert Aspland.



Rosslyn Hill Unitarian Chapel, HAMPSTEAD (London).

Founded 1680. The old Chapel is now used for the Schoolroom. Date of present building, 1862.



Unitarian Christian Church, HIGHGATE (London).

Founded in 1885 in the Drill Hall, Crouch Ead. Services were held in the Schoolroom (on the right hand of the page) for nearly three years until the Church was completed in 1890.



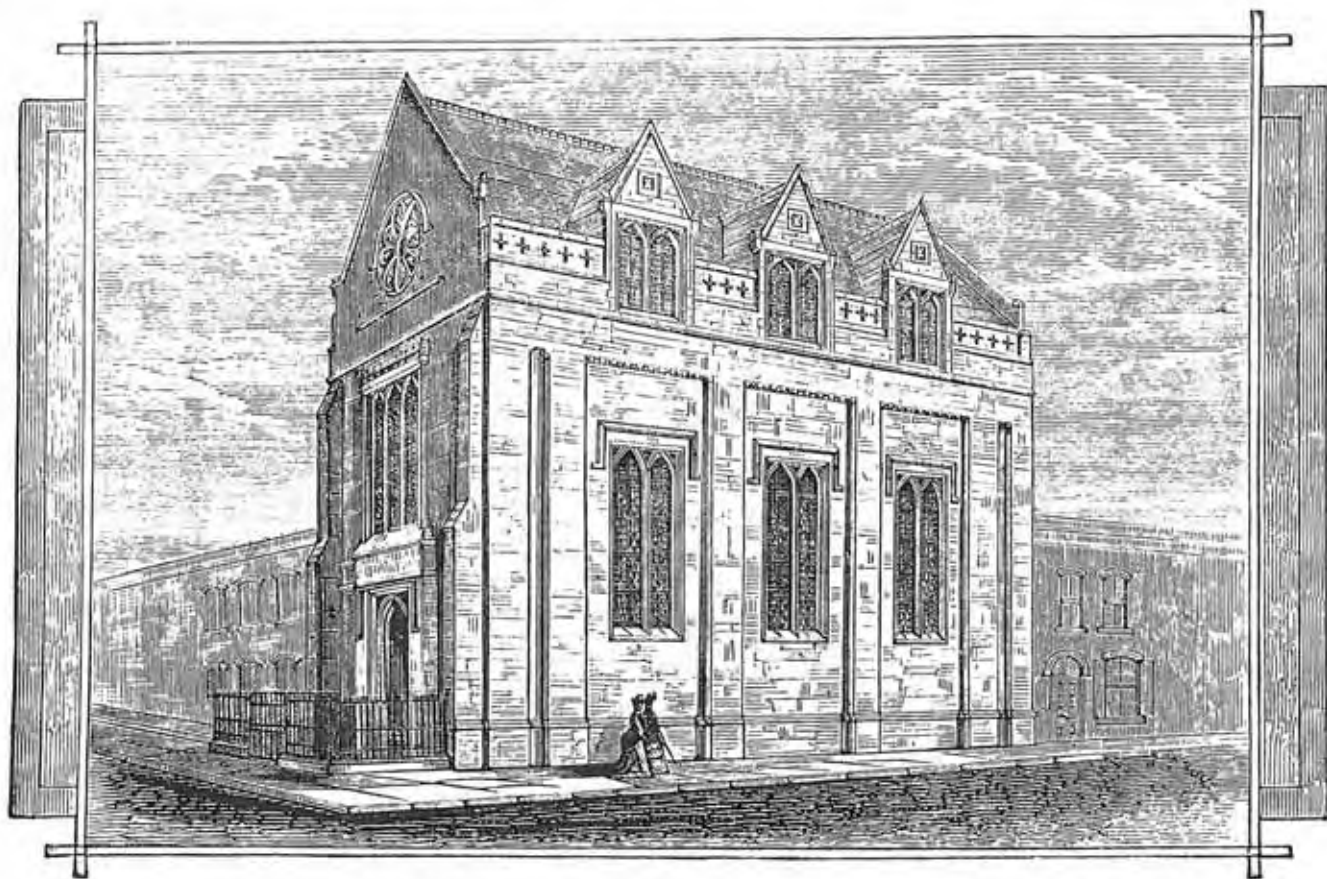
Ormond Road Unitarian Church, RICHMOND (London).

Founded 1888. Built 1896.



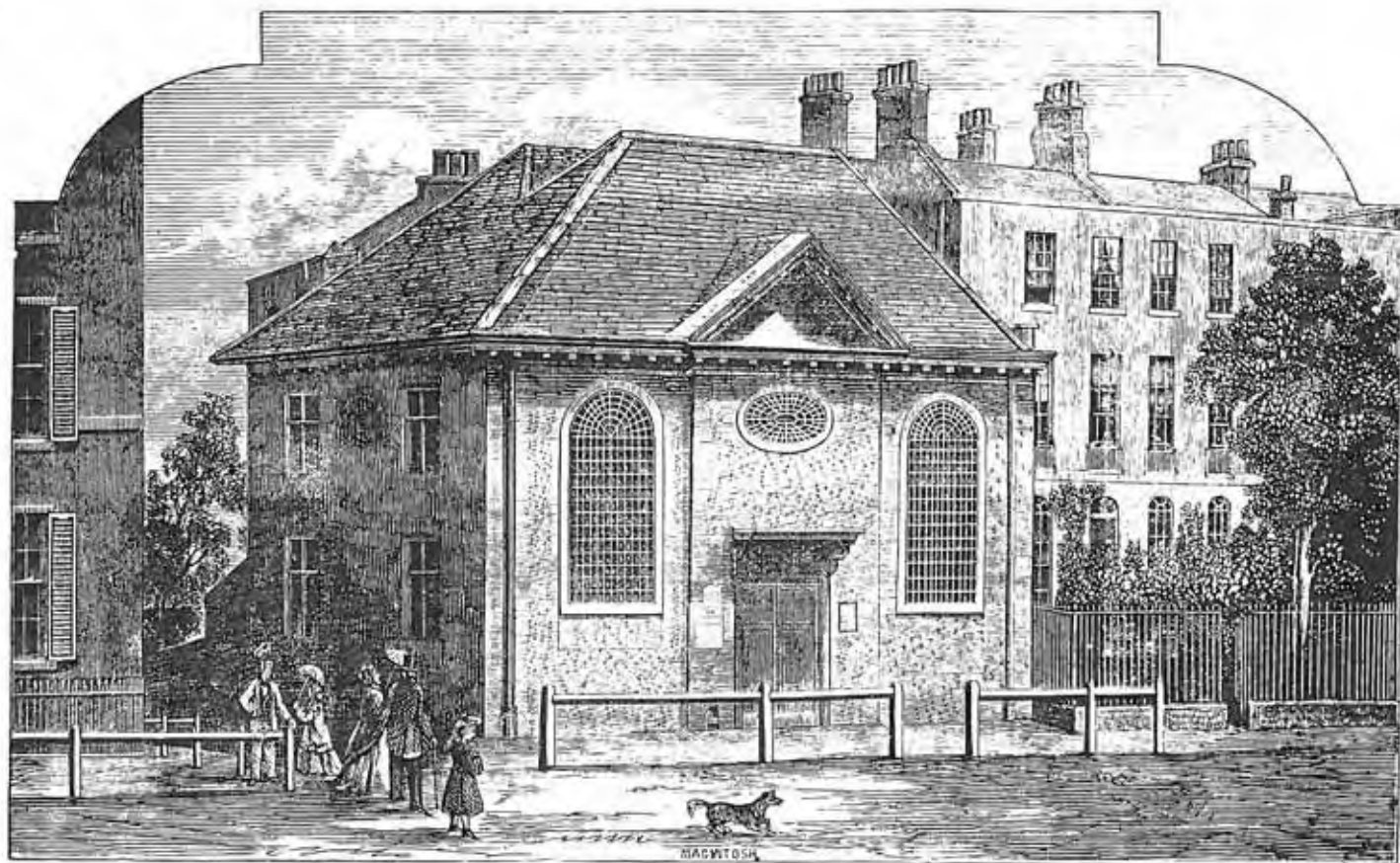
Unitarian Christian Church, STAMFORD STREET, Blackfriars (London).

Formed out of two old Presbyterian congregations, the one in Princes Street, Westminster, the other St. Thomas's, Southwark. The two congregations joined together, and built the present Chapel in 1823.



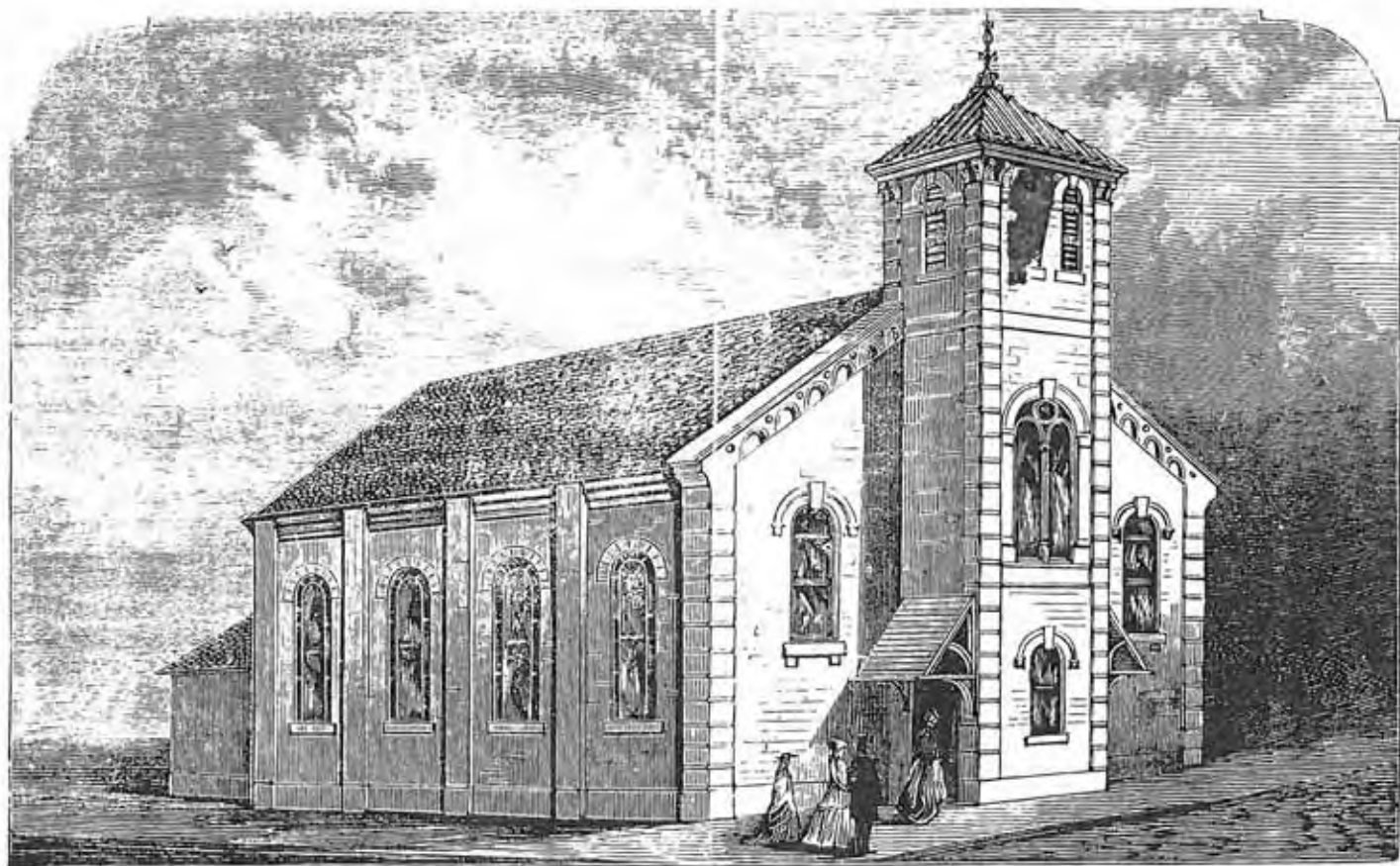
College Chapel, STEPNEY GREEN (London).

The building was acquired from the Congregationalists in 1875. The neighbourhood has been much altered, and the Chapel closely shut in since this view was taken.



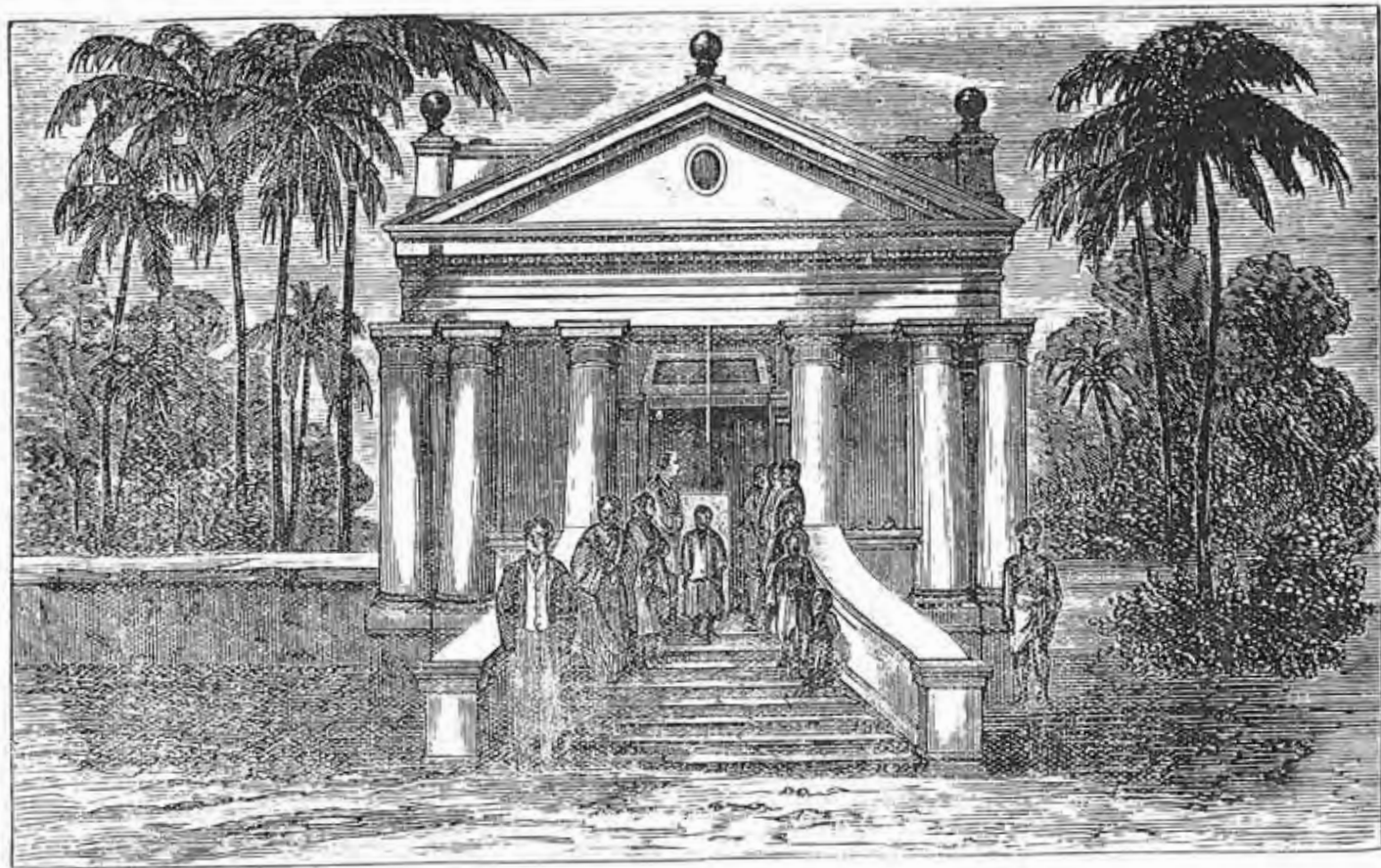
Unitarian Meeting House, STOKE NEWINGTON GREEN (London).

Built 1708. A new front was added to the Chapel in 1860. In this Chapel worshipped Daniel Defoe, Samuel Rogers, Mary Woolstencraft, Mrs. Barbauld, and Miss Aikin.

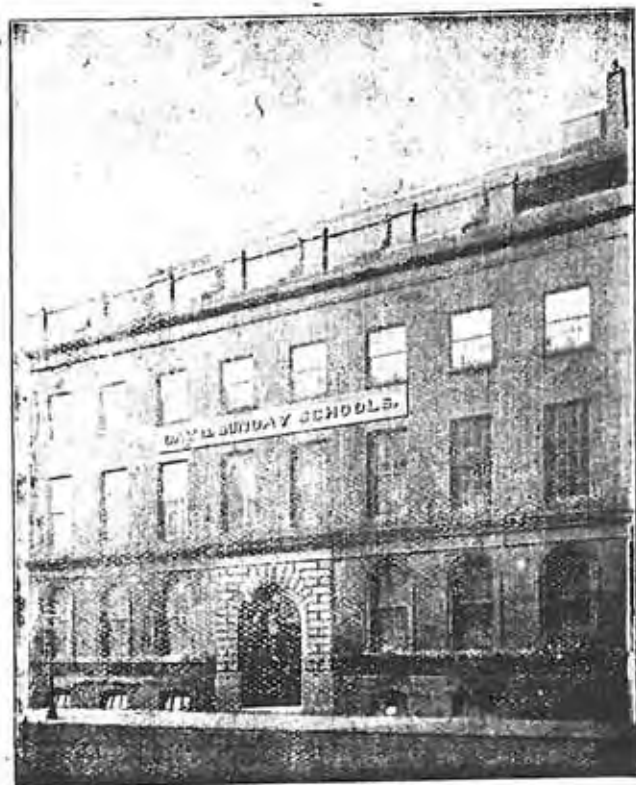


Unitarian Christian Church, West Ham Lane, STRATFORD-le-Bow (London).

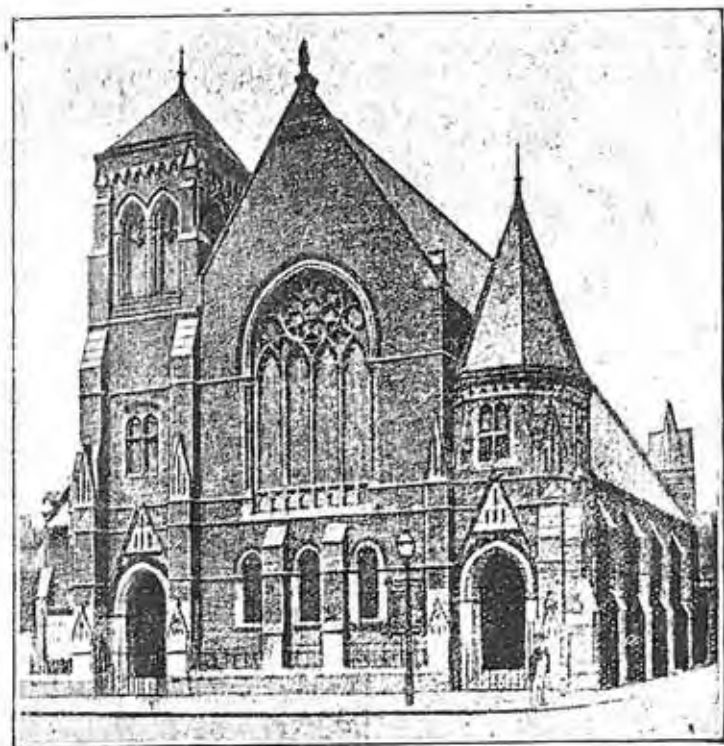
Founded in 1867 by the Rev. Thomas Rix in a hired Chapel in the Bow Road. Date of the present building, 1869. The street has since been completed, and the Chapel surrounded by houses on both sides.



Unitarian Church, MADRAS (India).



Lower Mosley Street Schools,
MANCHESTER (Lancashire).



Oldham Road Unitarian Church,
MANCHESTER (Lancashire).

Founded in 1857 by the encouragement of Dr. J. R. Beard and the teachers of Rochdale Road Domestic Mission. The present building was opened for worship in 1883.



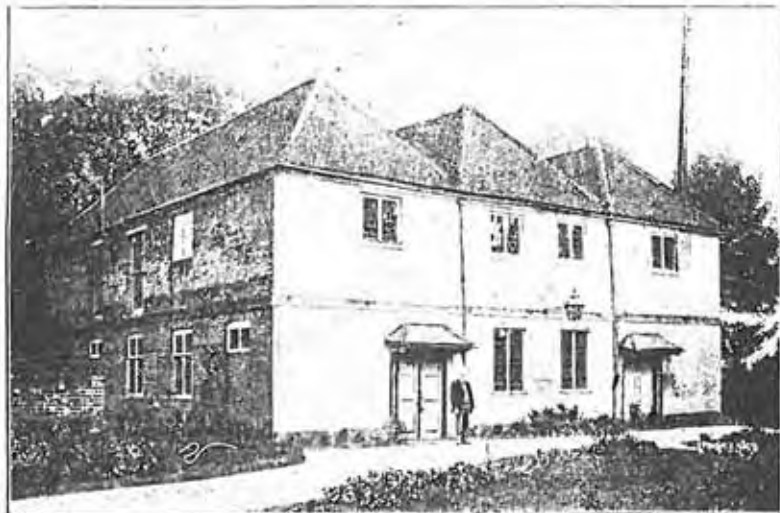
Strangeways Unitarian Church, MANCHESTER (Lancashire).

Founded in 1823, worship held in Greengate Chapel until 1838, when, in consequence of a split, a small party separated themselves and built the present Church in New Bridge Street, and the Rev. George Harris, of Glasgow, preached the opening sermon. However, in 1842, a re-union was brought about, the old Chapel was pulled down, and Dr. J. R. Beard became their minister.



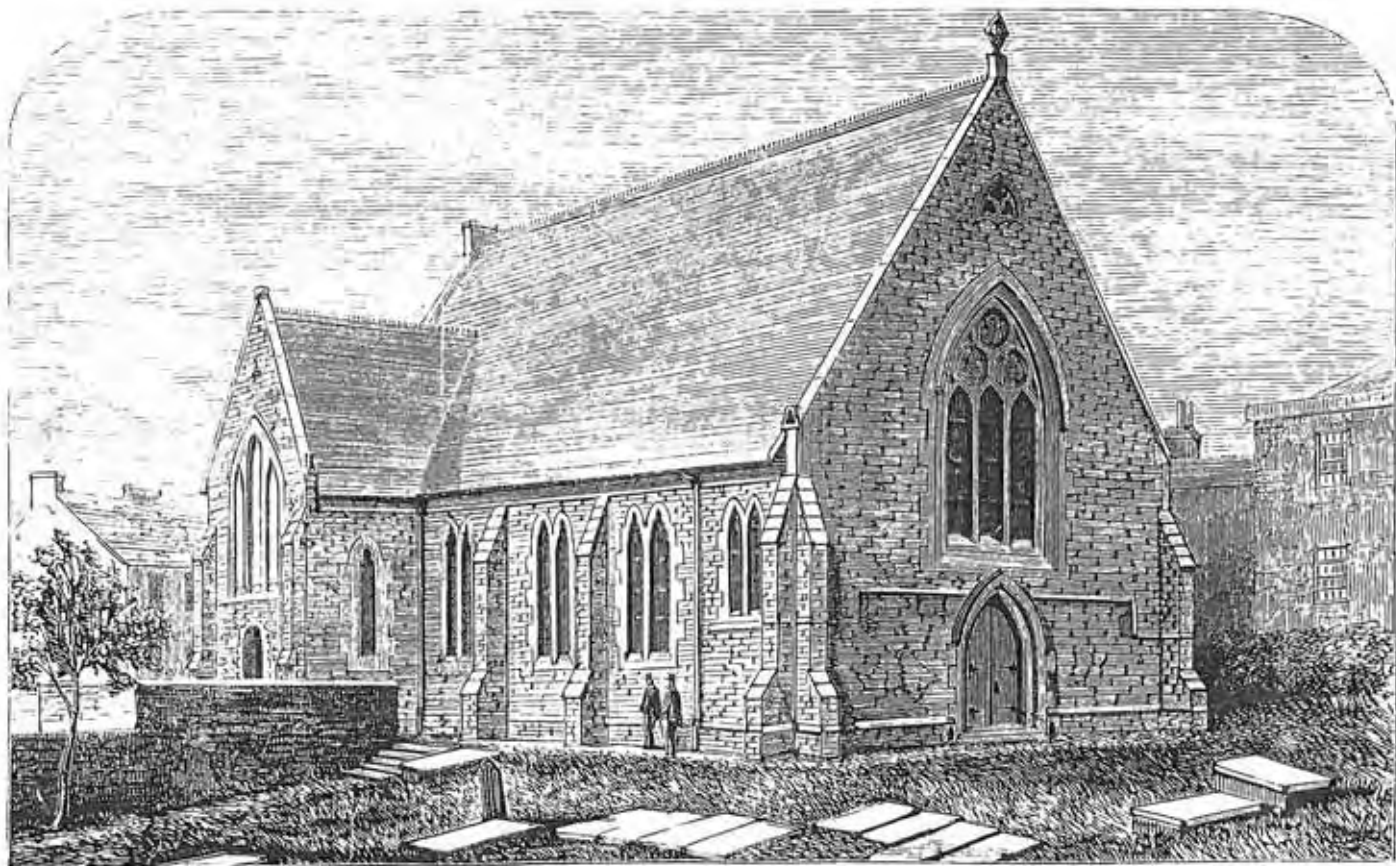
Interior of the Old Meeting House, MANSFIELD (Nottinghamshire).

Founded before 1602. Built about 1701. Restored 1871.



Presbyterian Chapel, Northbrook Street, NEWBURY (Berkshire).

Founded in 1686. Built in 1697.



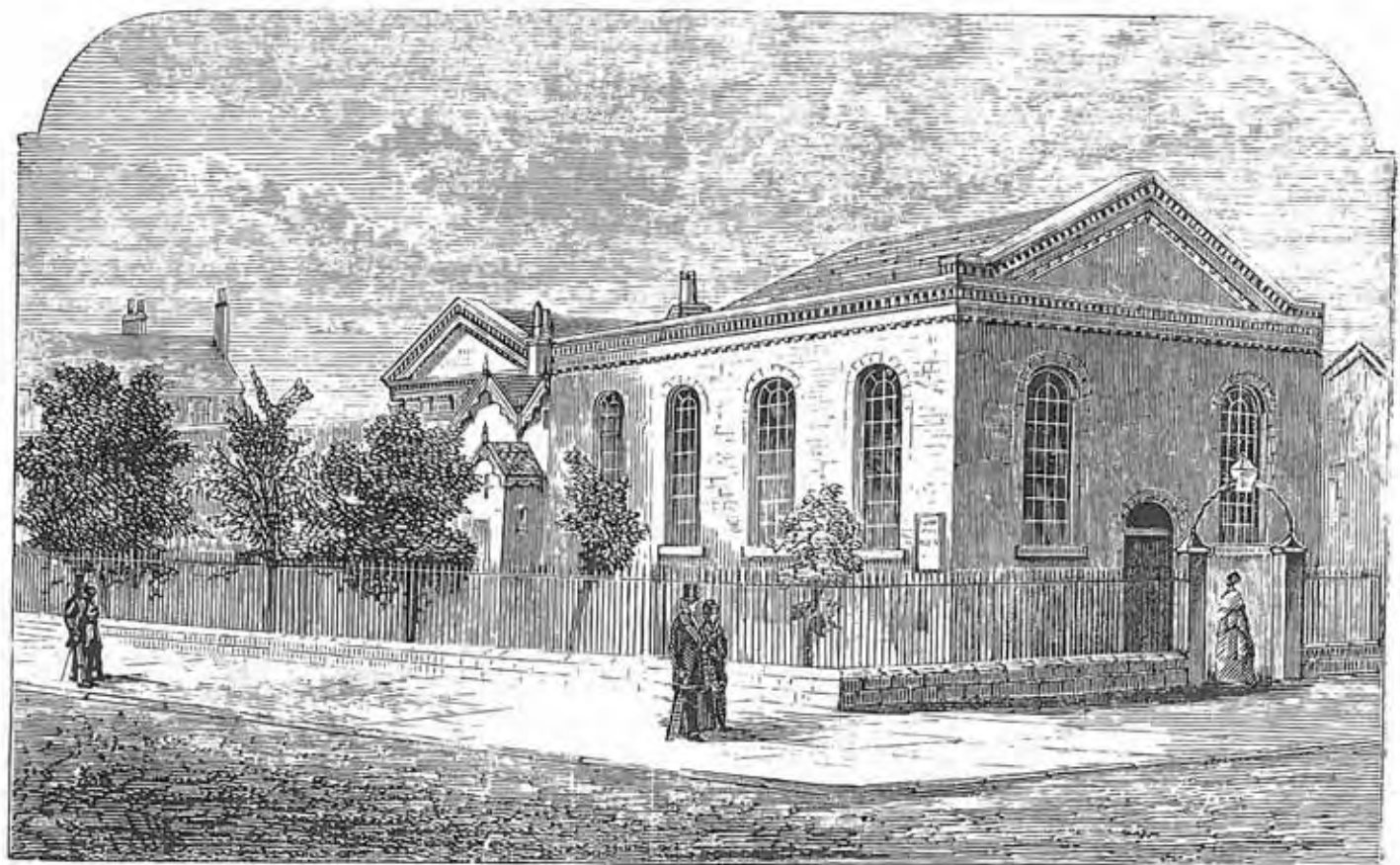
Bethlehem Chapel, NEWCHURCH, Rossendale (Lancashire).

Founded about 1809, being one of the societies that sprung out of the Rev. Joseph Cooke's secession from Methodism. Present Chapel built in 1867.



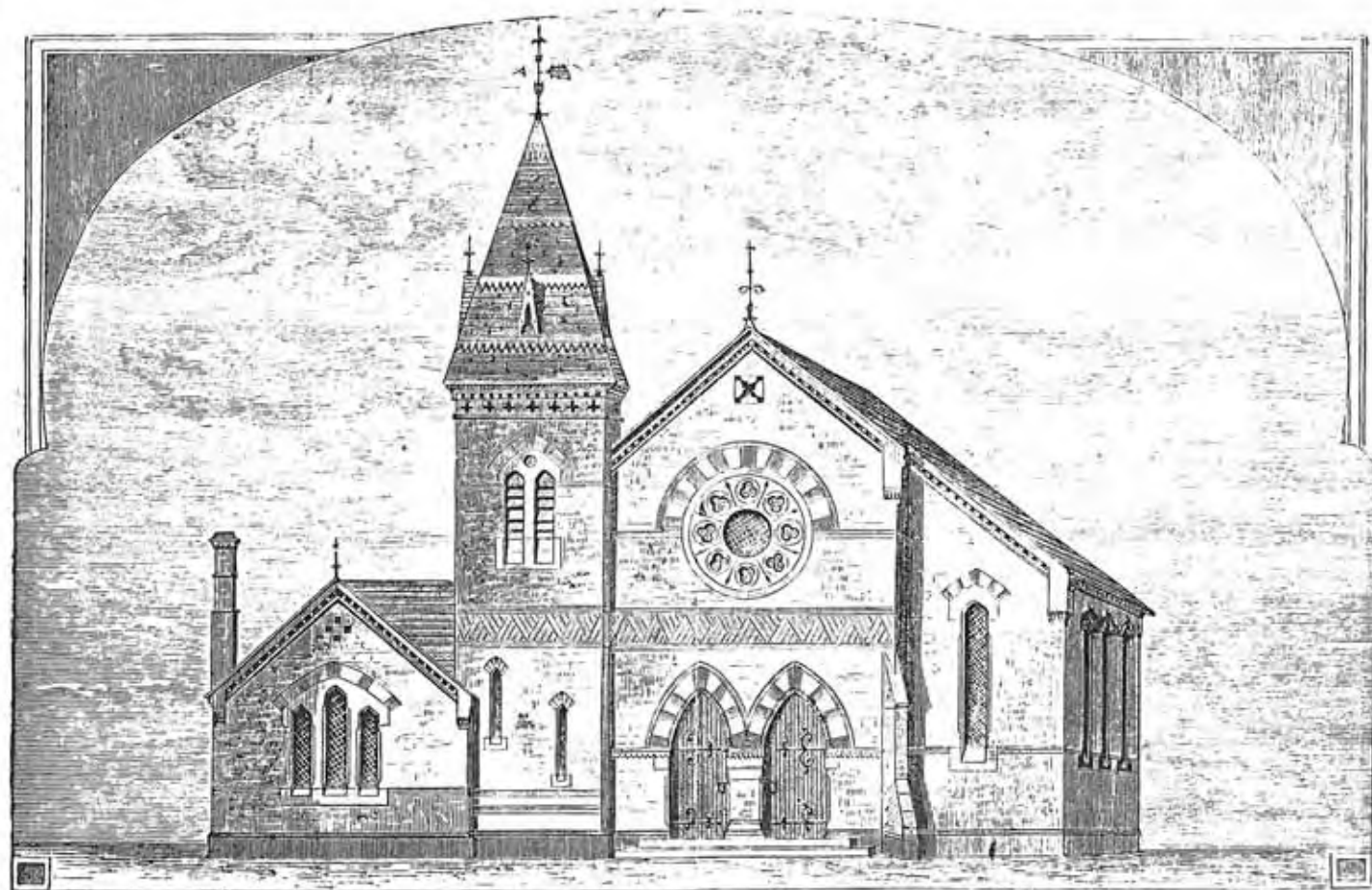
First Presbyterian Church (Unitarian), NEWRY (Co. Down, Ireland).

Founded about 1650 at Meeting House Rocks, on the North Road out of Newry. After being closed awhile by persecutions, a new Meeting House was built in High Street, the ruins of which are still preserved in the picturesque burial ground. The present building in Needham Place was built in 1853; but the neighbourhood is wholly altered by the closing in of the town all around it!



Unitarian Meeting House, OLDBURY (Worcestershire).

Original Chapel built in 1708. Re-built in 1806, and again restored in 1862.



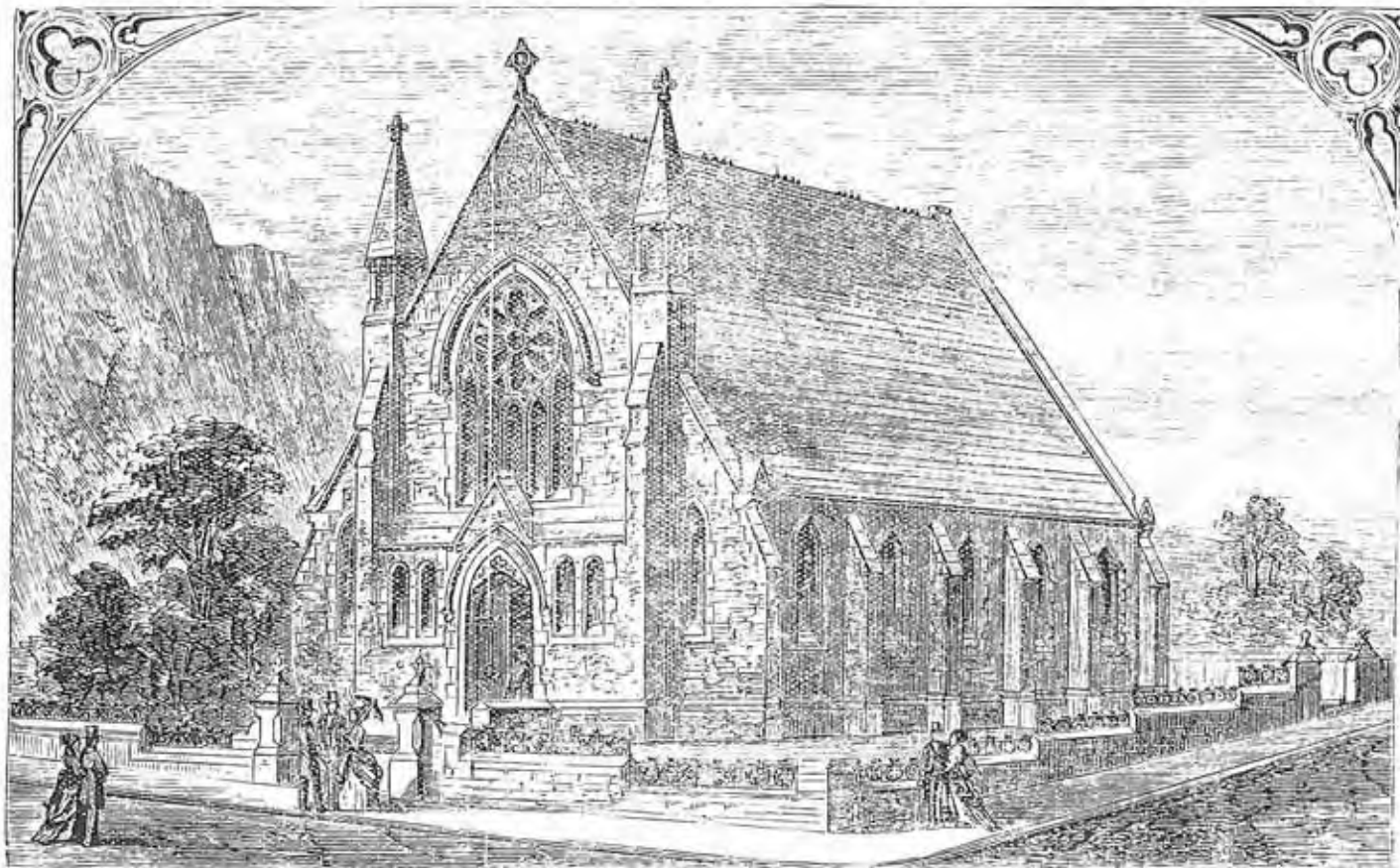
Unitarian Church, Hill Street, POOLE (Dorsetshire).

Founded in 1664. The first Meeting House was built in 1705. Date of the present building, 1868.



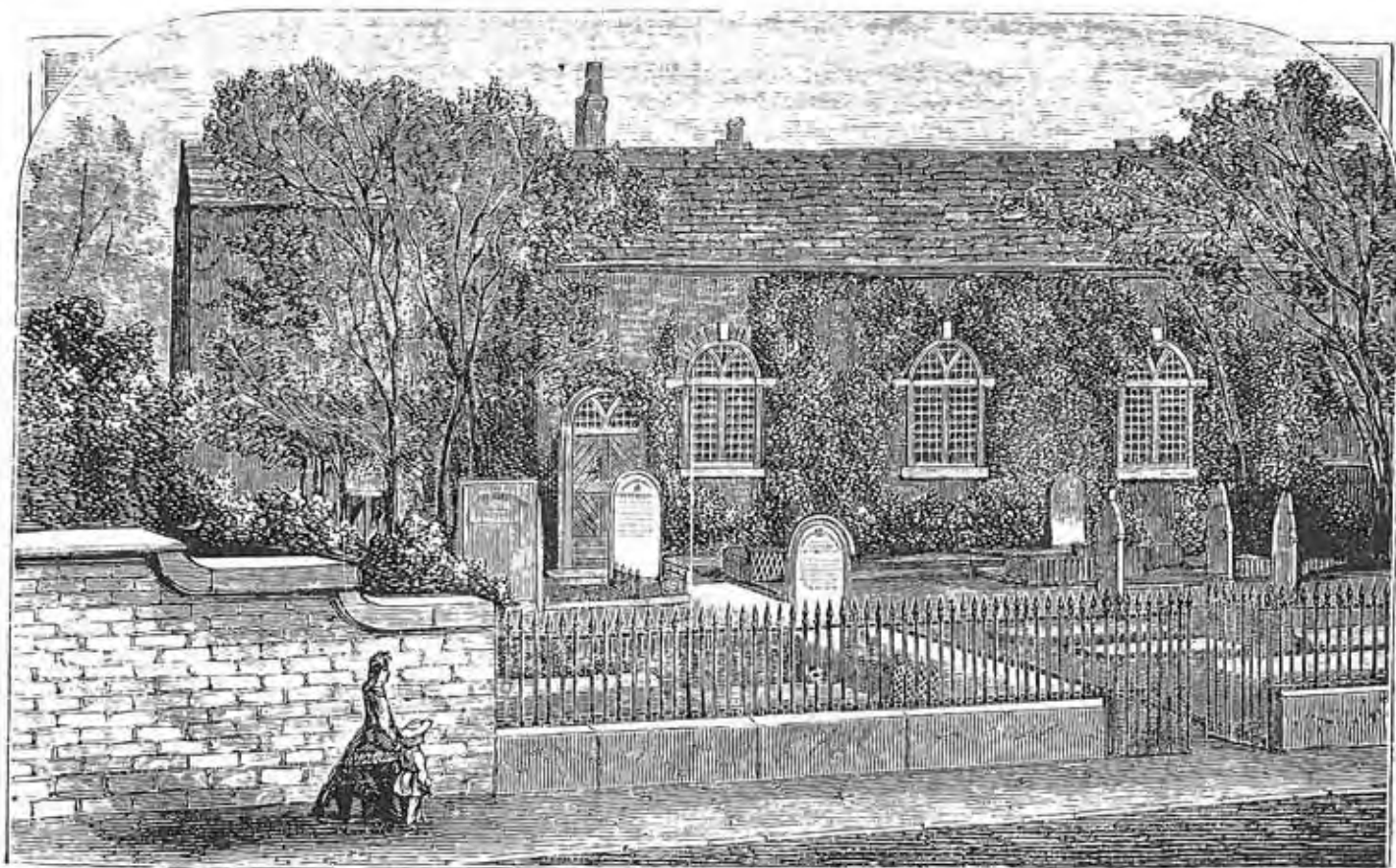
Unitarian Church, Portland Street, SOUTHPORT (Lancashire).

Founded in 1862. Built 1867.



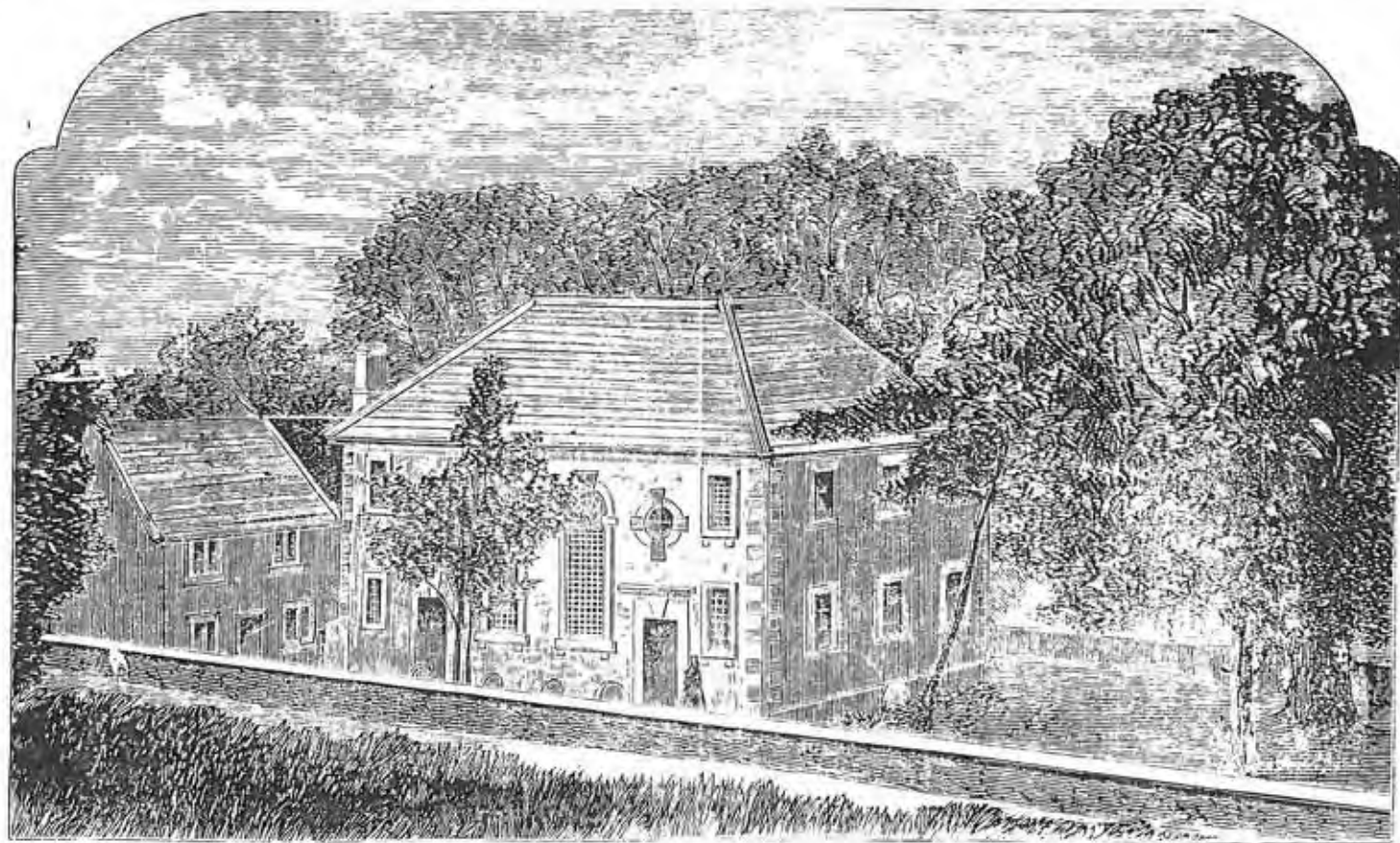
Unitarian Church, Canal Street, STALYBRIDGE (Lancashire).

Founded in 1865 by the Teachers of Dukinfield Sunday School. The Church built in 1870.



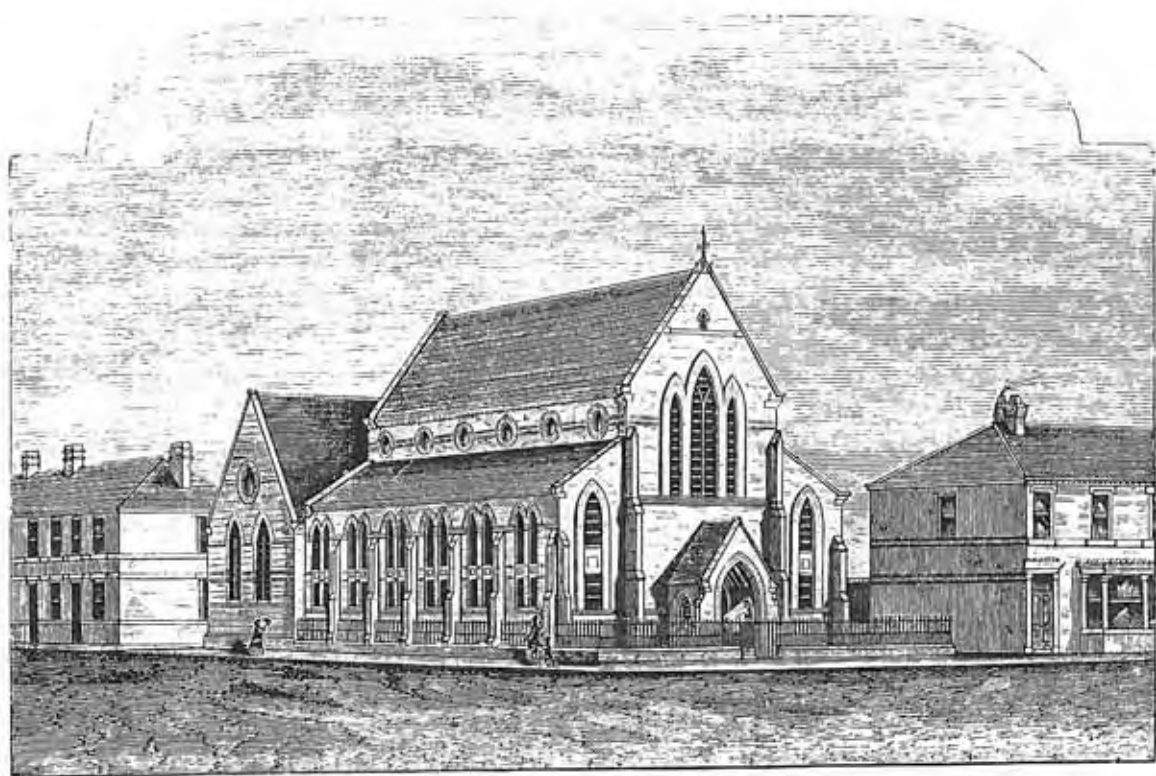
Unitarian Church, STAND (Lancashire).

Founded 1693. Date of present Building. 1819.



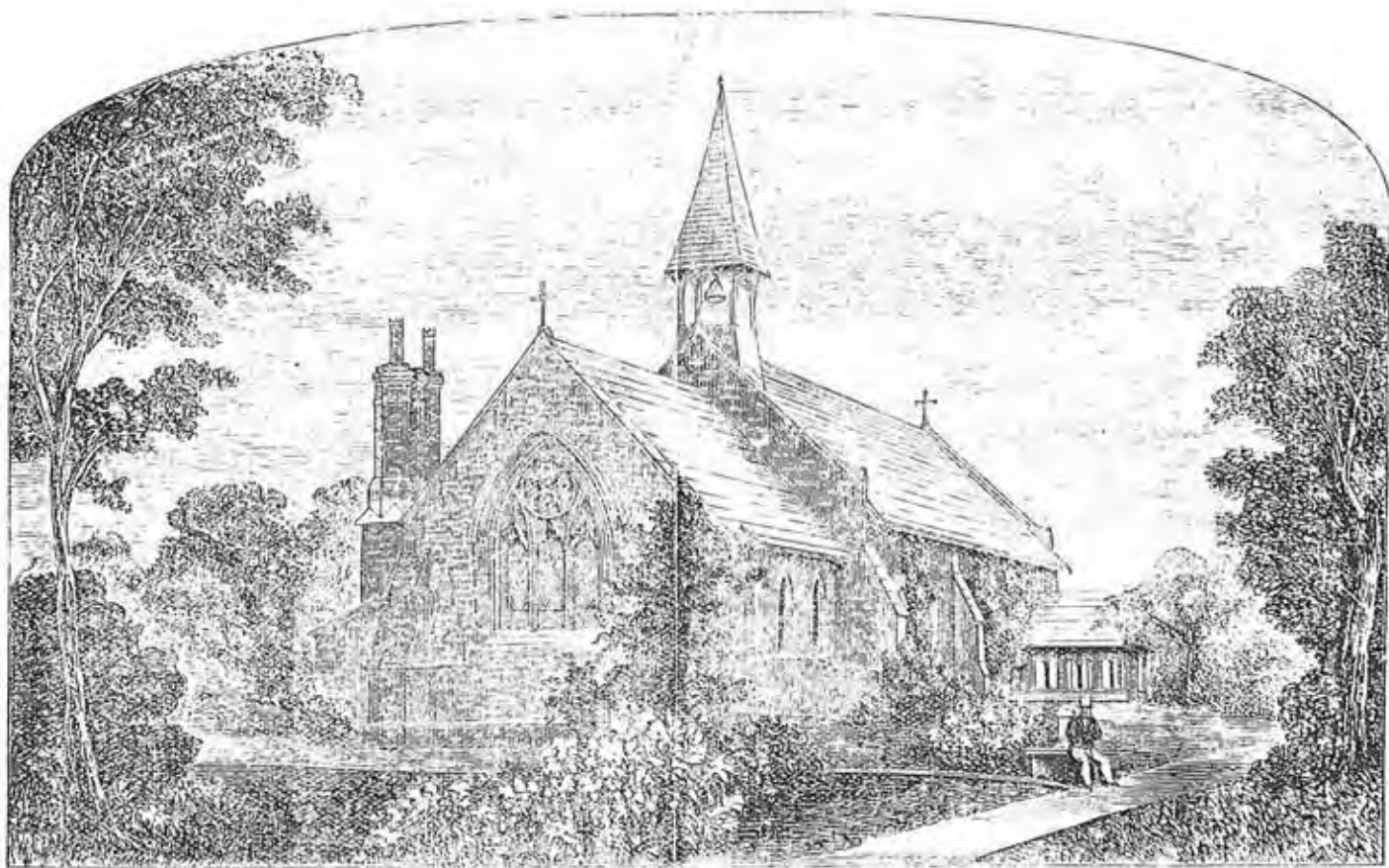
Underbank Unitarian Chapel, STANNINGTON, 4 miles from Sheffield (Yorks.).

The ancient Chapel was built in 1652, and the present Chapel in 1712. It was restored and renovated in 1867.



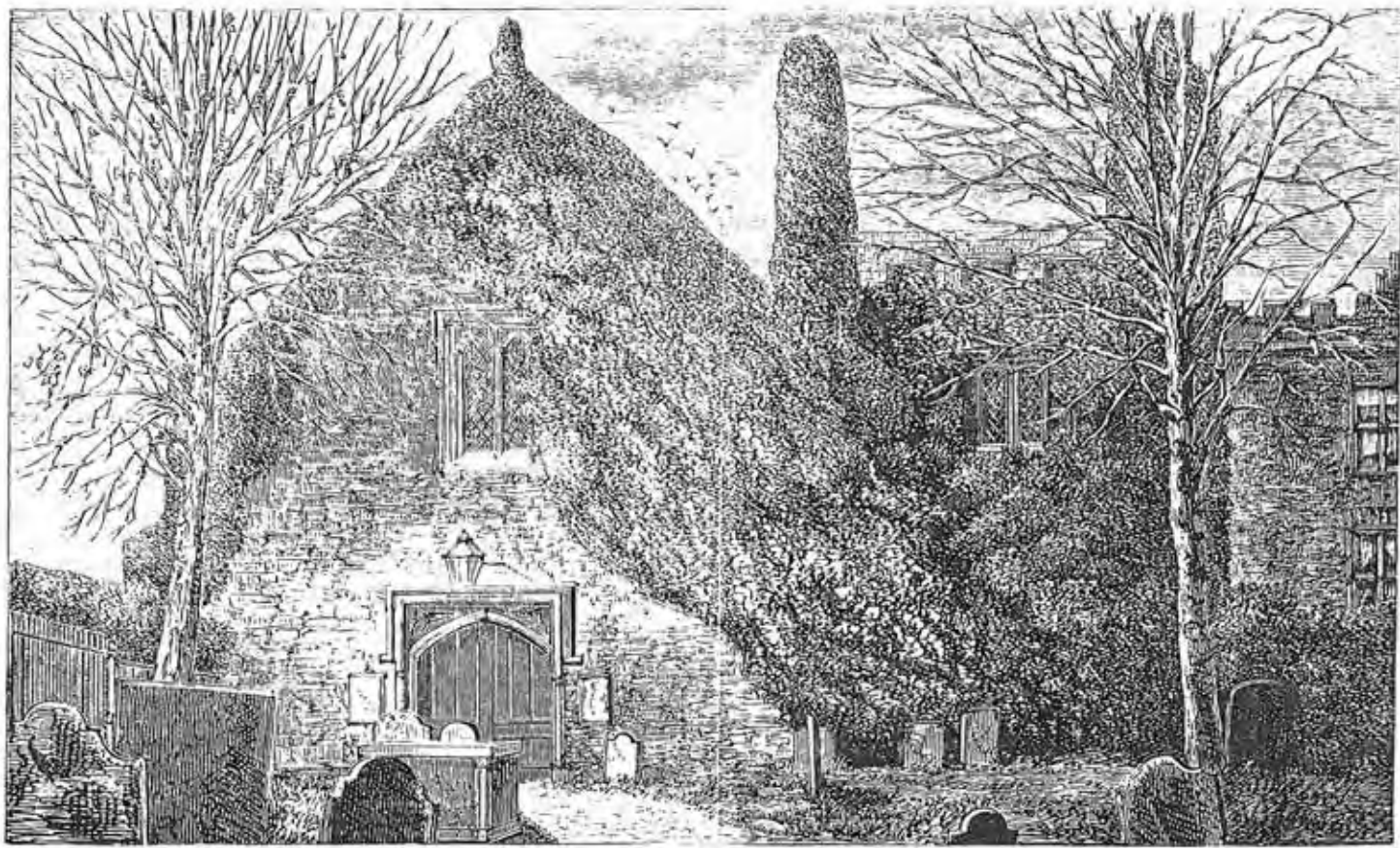
Unitarian Church, Wellington Street, STOCKTON-ON-TEES (Durham).

Founded in 1688. The first Church was built in 1698, the present building in 1868.



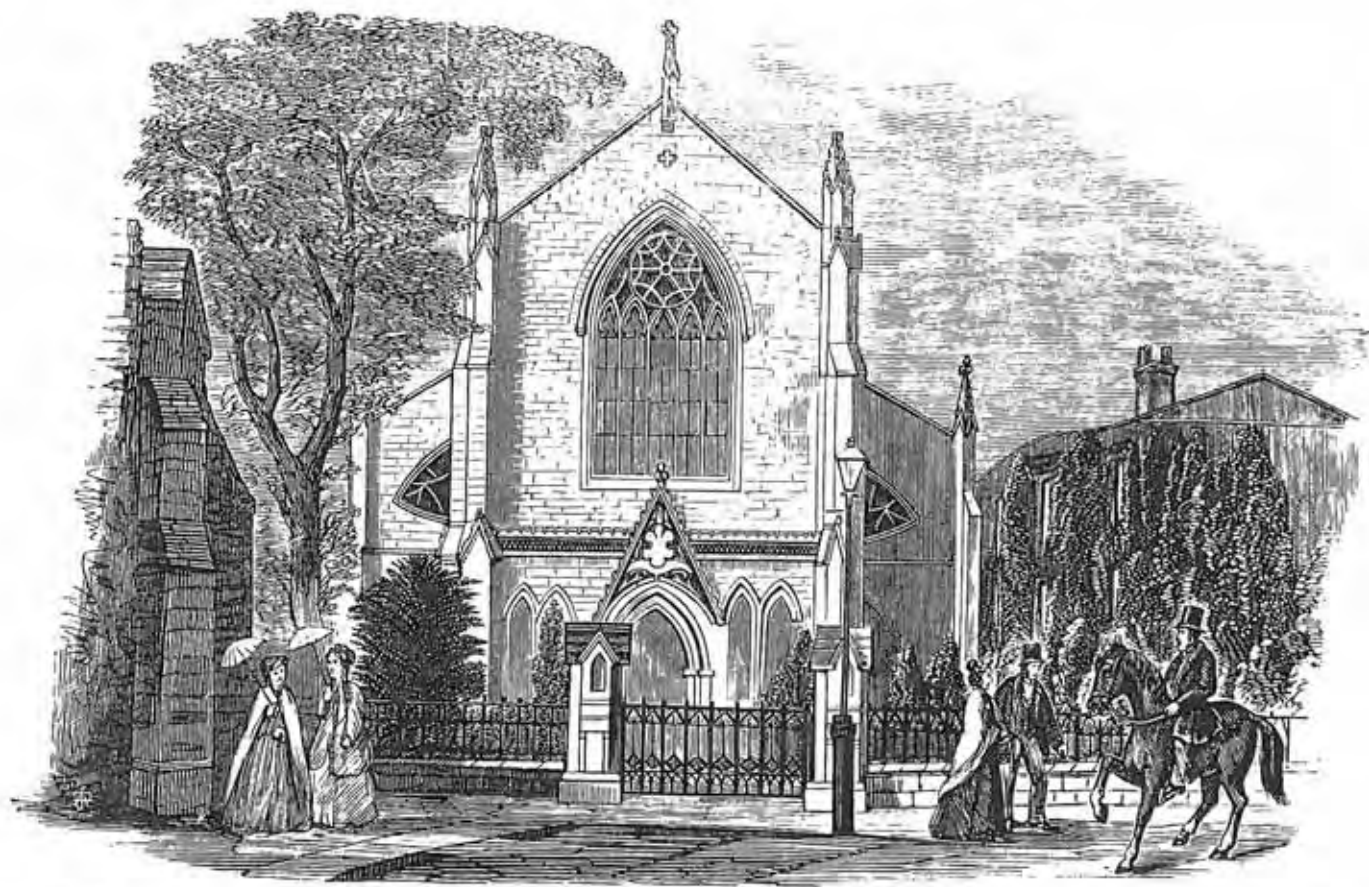
Norcliffe Chapel, STYAL (Cheshire).

Built originally as a Baptist Chapel in 1821. After nine years a Unitarian minister was appointed. In 1871 the Chapel was enlarged, restored, and beautifully fitted up. Mr. Samuel Greg, author of "A Layman's Legacy," sits on the bench by the gravel walk.



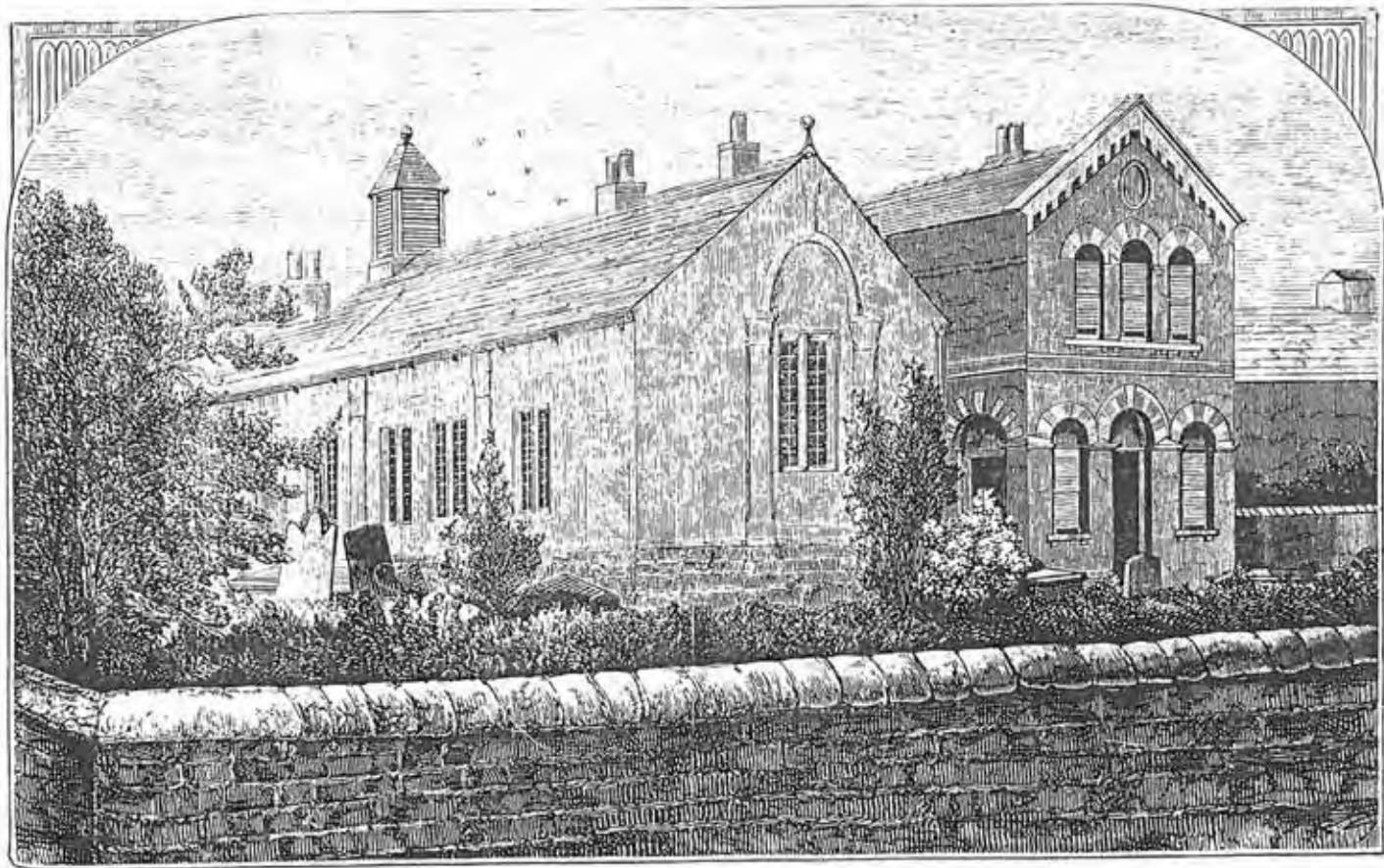
The Abbey Chapel, TAVISTOCK (Devonshire).

This ancient Abbot's Chapel, the remains of the disused monastery, was granted to the ejected Presbyterian minister of Tavistock in 1662. The two following ministers were also Ejected Ministers, clergymen who had been expelled from their pulpits in the Church of England by the Act of Uniformity in 1662.



The Conigre Chapel (Unitarian Baptist), TROWBRIDGE (Wiltshire).

Founded in the village of Southwick, a few miles away, about 1655, and carried on there for many years jointly with a branch Congregation at Trowbridge.
The present Church was built in 1857.



Park Lane Unitarian Church, near WIGAN (Lancashire).

Founded in 1662. The old Chapel was built in 1697, renovated in 1871.



Presbyterian Chapel, St. Saviourgate, YORK (Yorkshire).

Founded in 1672. Built in 1695 by Sir John and Lady Hewley.



Part III.—Miscellaneous.





Dr. MARTINEAU.

The Rev. James Martineau was born at Norwich in 1805, descended from Huguenot ancestors and from the Rev. Mathew, one of the "Ejected Ministers" of 1692. He was minister at the Octagon Chapel, Norwich, and at Hope Street Chapel, Liverpool, where he successfully conducted an important Unitarian controversy. He became Principal of Manchester New College, removed with it to London, where he ministered in Little Portland Street Chapel. Author of many philosophical and theological works. He died in Gordon Square, London, in 1889.



Rev. ROBERT COLLYER, D.D.

Minister of the Church of the Messiah, New York, U.S.A. Born at Keighley, Dec. 8, 1823. Ordained in 1848.



The **REV. R. SPEARS** was born in the village of Lemington, in Northumberland, in 1825. Unitarian minister for nearly fifty years. He did much missionary work up and down England, founded and established a number of Churches, and several newspapers. He died at Highgate, London, in 1899.



Mr. GLADSTONE.

The Right Hon. WILLIAM EWART GLADSTONE, of Scotch parentage, was born at 62, Rodney Street, Liverpool, in 1809; educated at Eton and Christchurch, Oxford; became Prime Minister of England in 1869; died at Hawarden Castle in 1899.



JOHN WICKLIFFE.

JOHN WICKLIFFE, the "Morning Star of the Reformation," was born near Richmond, in Yorkshire, about 1324; educated at Oxford, and became Rector of Lutterworth, in Leicestershire. He translated the Bible into English, and sent out missionary priests into country places to spread free inquiry. He suffered much persecution, but died quietly in 1384.



Rajah RAMMOHUN ROY.

By birth a Brahmin, born about 1776, in Bengal. When about thirty years old he set himself to reform the religion of his countrymen, and raised a storm of enemies against him. He published a volume of selections from the Gospels, entitled "The Precepts of Jesus." He came to England, and died at Bristol in 1833.



KESHUB CHUNDER SEN.

The Hindoo Reformer. Visited England in 1870.



MICHAEL SERVETUS.

MICHAEL SERVETUS was born at Villanuova, in Spain, in 1509, and was educated as a physician, and discovered the circulation of the blood. He published several anti-Trinitarian books, and after wandering from place to place for twenty years to escape persecution, he was put in prison at Geneva, and burned at the stake in that city in 1553.



Dr. Nathaniel Lardner.

Dr. NATHANIEL LARDNER, born at Hawkhurst, in Kent, in 1684, educated for a Unitarian minister, and became preacher at the Old Jewry. He spent his life on his important works, and published many volumes of "Jewish and Heathen Testimonies to Christianity." He died in the town where he was born in 1768.



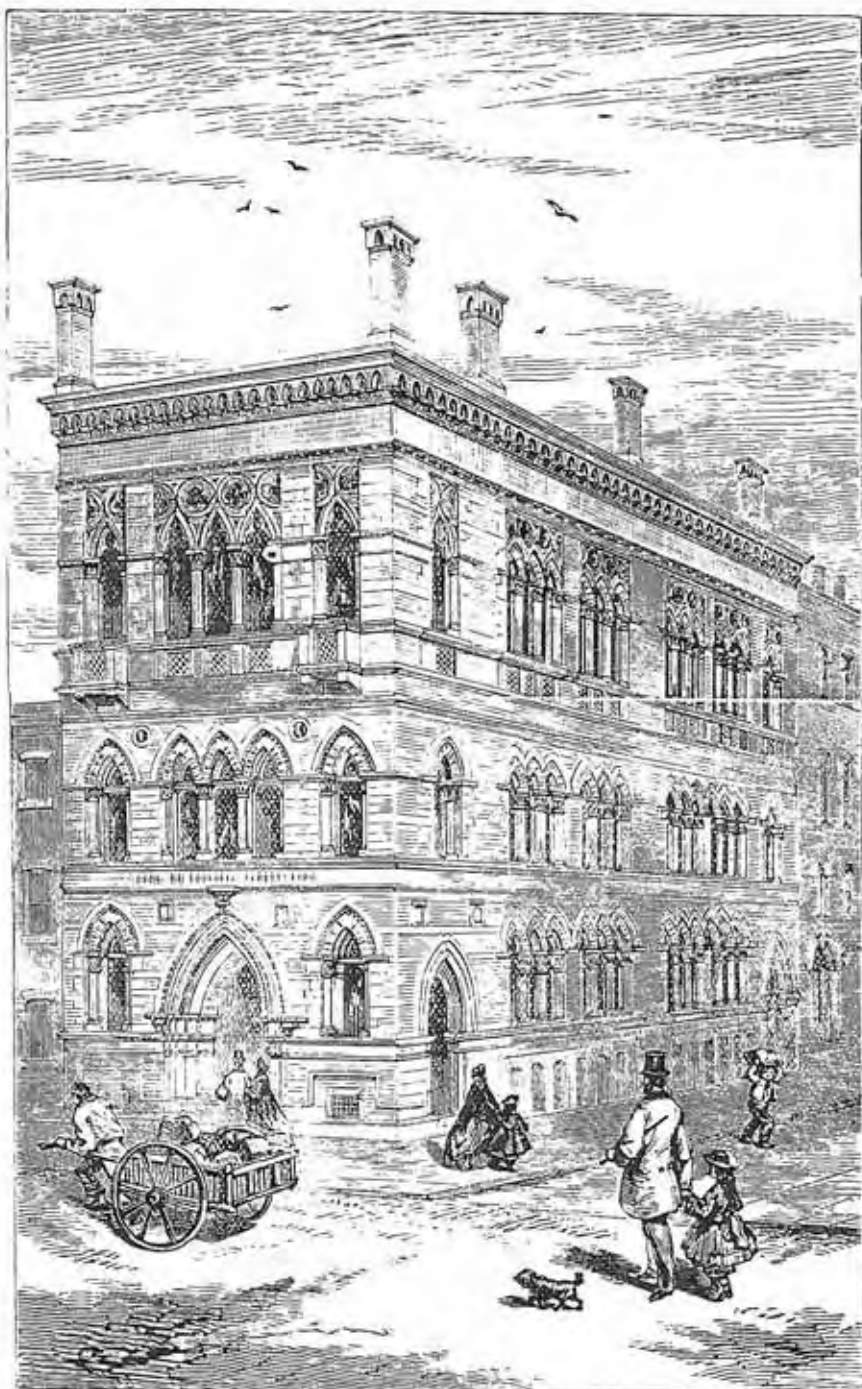
Rev. Geo. Harris.

Rev. GEORGE HARRIS, born at Maidstone, in Kent, in 1724, son of a Unitarian minister. He spent forty-five years in active missionary work in Scotland and the North of England. He died in 1839.



Rev. RICHARD WRIGHT.

Rev. RICHARD WRIGHT, born in a village in Norfolk, in 1764, of Calvinist parents. In 1806 he became a Unitarian Baptist, and spent all his stronger years as a travelling missionary. He died at Kirkstead, in Lincolnshire, in 1836.



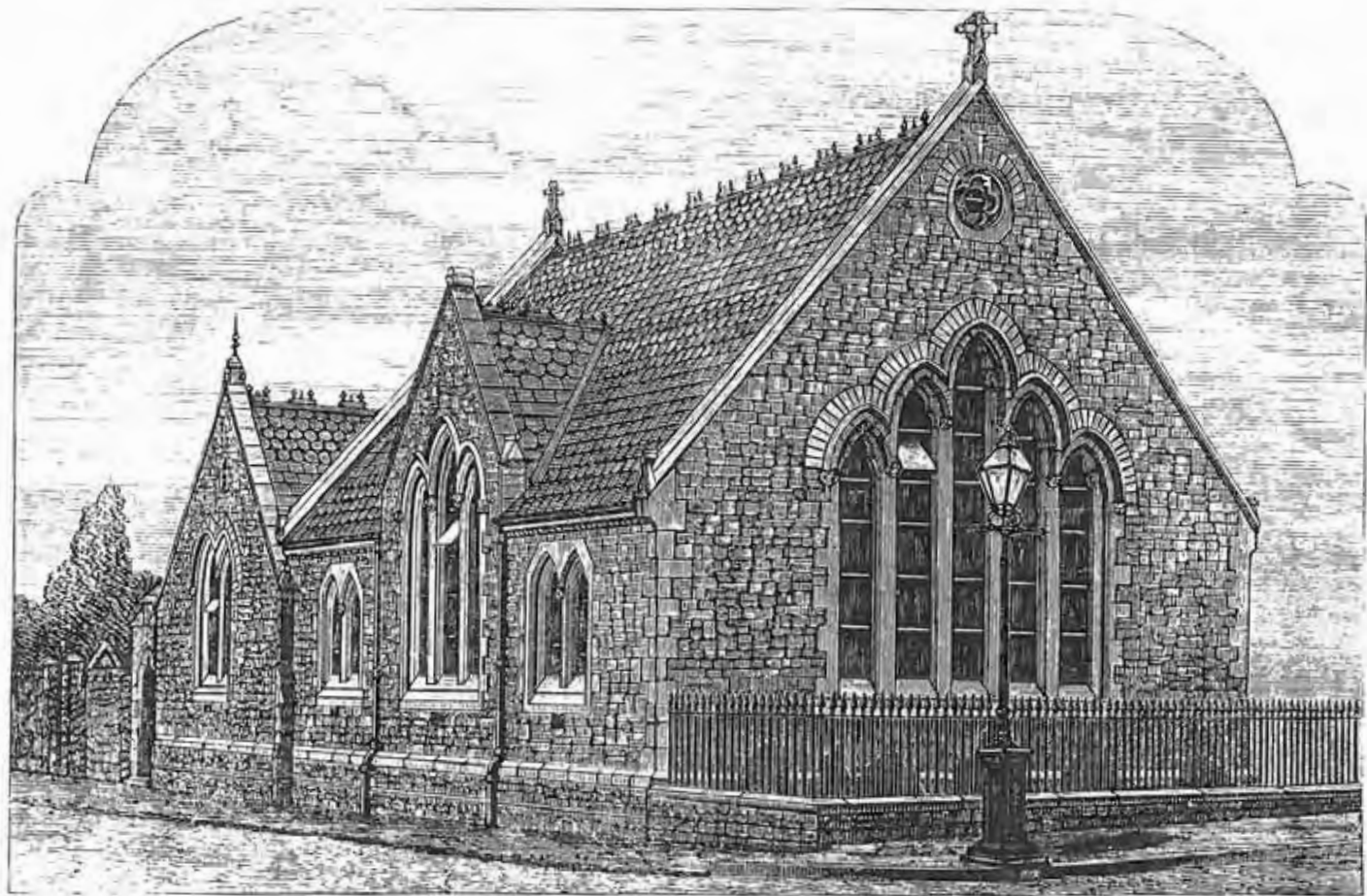
The MEMORIAL HALL, Manchester.

Built in 1866. Originally designated "The Manchester Unitarian Hall," but the name was afterwards changed. The Theological Classes of the Unitarian Home Missionary College are held here, and its Library placed in the building.



John Pounds' Cottage, St. Mary's Street, Portsmouth
(Hampshire).

JOHN POUNDS, the shoemaker, was born in 1766, and died in 1832. For the last nineteen years of his life he spent his time in teaching the poor and neglected children of his town. He has been called the Founder of Ragged Schools.



KELL MEMORIAL SCHOOLS, Southampton.

Built 1874.



Channing House School, Highgate, London.

For the daughters of Unitarian ministers and others. Founded in 1885 by Rev. R. Spears; re-built in 1891 by Miss Matilda Sharpe, manager for the first sixteen years; put under trust for the denomination in 1900.

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