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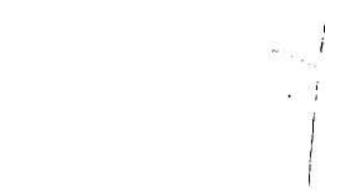
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The First Church

Founded at Scrooby, England A. D. 1606 Settled in Plimouth A. D. 1620

"So worship I the Gob of my fathers " Acre xxv. 14

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SCROOBY A. D. 1606.

THESE people "as ye Lord's free people, joyned themselves (by a covenant of the Lord) in ye fellowship of ye gospell, to walke in all his wayes, made known, or to be made known unto them, according to their best endeavours, whatsoever it should cost them, the Lord assisting them. And that it cost them something this ensuing historie will declare."

Governor Bradford's History of Plimouth Colony.

PLIMOUTH A. D. 1676.

A FTER prayer for God's direction and blessing in so solemn a matter, a church covenant was read, and the church voted that it should be left on record as that which they did owne to be the substance of that covenant which their fathers entered into at the first gathering of the church, which was in these words following : --

"In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ & in obedience to His holy will and divine ordinances :

"We being by the most wise & good Providence of God brought together in this place — & desirous to unite ourselves into one congregation or church under the Lord Jesus Christ, our Head — that it may be in such sort as becometh all those whom he hath redeemed & sanctified to himself. — We do hereby solemnly & religiously (as in his most holy presence) avouch the Lord Jehovah the only true God to be our God & doe promise & binde ourselves to walke in all our wayes, according to the Rule or the gospel — & in all sincere conformity to His holy ordinances — & in mutual love to, and watchfulness over one another — depending wholy & only upon the Lord our God to enable us by his grace hereunto."

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The Records of the First Church.

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