

CHURCH IS 125 YEARS OLD.

St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal
Congregation Celebrates.

The 125th anniversary of the founding of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, now located in Sixty-ninth Street, near Broadway, was celebrated last night at a dinner at the Hotel Pennsylvania. Plans were discussed for the raising of a 125th anniversary fund to be added to the endowment of the church.

Bainbridge Colby, former Secretary of State, called St. Stephen's Church a "tranquil oasis in the chaos of New York," and spoke of the "power and influence a man exerts who can rest upon the profoundly true teachings of religion." Other speakers were the Rev. Dr. H. F. Taylor, rector of St. Paul's Church, the Bronx; the Rev. Dr. Nathan A. Seagle, rector, and the Rev. Dr. M. George Thompson, associate preacher of St. Stephen's; John W. Herbert, and George H. Black, wardens.

The establishment of St. Stephen's was decided upon at a meeting on April 1, 1805, and the cornerstone of the first church at Chrystie and Broome Streets was laid on May 7, 1805.

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