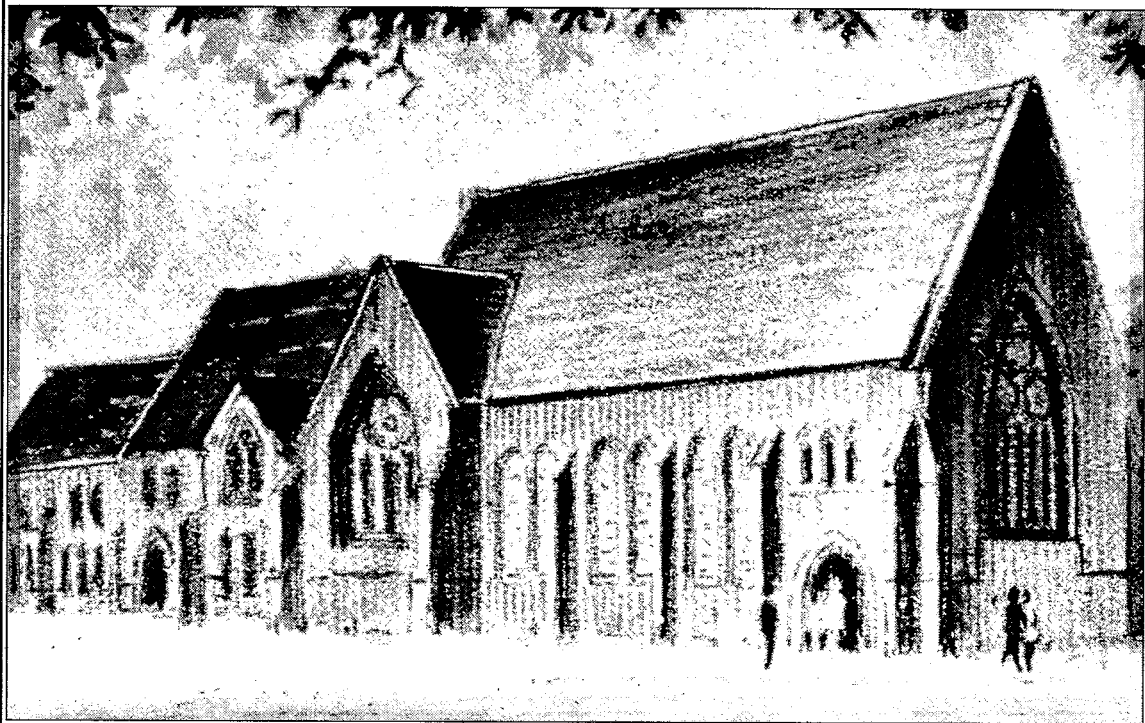


# Scenes from the past

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## View of church in its heyday

THE picture is the old Ladywood Methodist Church in Roundhay whose foundation stones were laid on July 2, 1873.

The architect was William Joshua Belton Perkin who, with his partner Elisha Backhouse, worked at Chapel Allerton and Kirk Deighton churches. Ladywood Church opened on July 3, 1874, and was a part of the Brunswick

Circuit. Sunday schools were held in the church at first, but on July 1, 1884, the church at first, but on July 1, 1884, the foundation stones were laid for a new school which opened by the end of that year.

A lecture hall was made from two vestries in 1899 and Sir Edwin Airey offered to build a second storey on the primary schoolroom. In September 1953 a new Coronation room was

opened by Lady Airey and Lord Mayor, Donald George Cowling MBE. A new hall opened on November 7, 1959, but planning permission was granted to demolish the whole complex in May 1983. This was completed by Christmas 1985. The dedication of the new Ladywood Methodist Church was held on October 25, 1986.