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Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1956 Erected Date: 2001

Marker Location

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State: MI ZipCode:

County: Wayne

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University of Michigania

The Catholepistemiad, or university, of Michigania resided in a building near this site from 1818 to 1837. Conceived of by the Reverend John Montieth, Father Gabriel Richard and Judge Augustus Woodward, the university was established by territorial law on August 26, 1817. Modeled on the University of France, created by Napolean Bonaparte in 1807, the institution was the center of a statewide system of primary, secondary, and college education. Reverend Montieth, the first president, and Father Richard held the first professorships. In 1837 the university was relocated to Ann Arbor. The original building was razed in 1858.

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