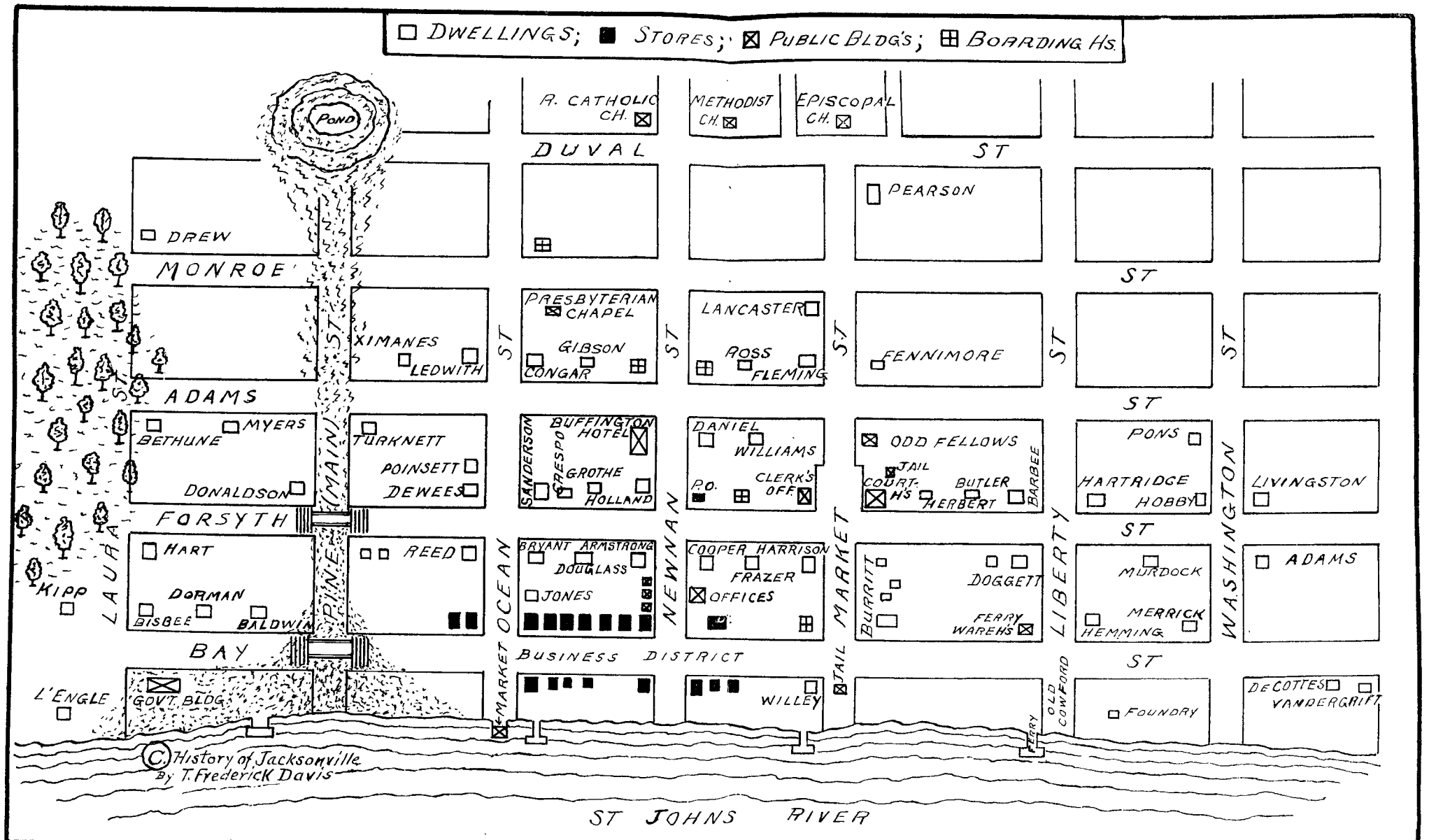

Between Duval and Church Streets near Pine (now Main) was a pond where the sportsmen of Jacksonville used to shoot ducks. The drainage was down Pine Street to the river, and south of Adams Street was a quagmire. Wooden bridges were built across Pine Street at Forsyth and at Bay.

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The business district was Bay Street between Newnan and Ocean. It was a pastime to stand in the rear doors of the stores on the south side of Bay Street and practice marksmanship with rifle and pistol upon the alligators that came out to sun themselves on the banks of the St. Johns.