

them, but that, as *Ambassadors for Christ*, they came by authority to proclaim the essential and life-giving truths of the everlasting Gospel, by which they would be saved or condemned.

None could have heard unmoved the solemn and earnest tones of the Bishop's voice, as, with all the weight of one who felt the responsibilities of his high office, he spoke to the people the words of truth and soberness. God grant that that day may be the beginning of new and better things, not only to those who there renewed their baptismal vows, but to the whole neighbourhood, for whose benefit this Church has been erected.

The offertory collection made after the sermon, which was applied to the reduction of the small balance remaining due to the building fund, amounted to \$16 50. Notice was given that the Bishop would preach in the Church again on the ensuing Sunday afternoon, as he proposed to remain in the neighbourhood in order to visit the mission opened in another part of Bolton, in which the Rev. F. Codd is laboring, his Lordship preaching in that mission on the forenoon of Sunday.

The Church, the consecration of which has been described above, is a well-designed and commodious edifice of wood, with tower and spire covered with tin. Its dimensions are 40 ft.  $\times$  25 ft., exclusive of tower and a small chancel, the tower being 8 ft.  $\times$  12 ft. and the height of the spire from the ground 68 ft.

The Bishop and clergy were hospitably entertained after the consecration at the house of Mr. Holland, one of the wardens of the new Church, who resides about half a mile from the Church, and was, together with his wife, amongst the number of those confirmed on this happy occasion. The clergy and lay visitors returned homewards towards evening, with the feeling that the fatigue and inconvenience of a stormy drive was more than recompensed to them by the elevating pleasure which they had enjoyed.—*Communicated.*

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#### MISSION OF HEMMINGFORD—CONSECRATION OF TWO CHURCHES.

The *Church Chronicle* having been started with the view of making known, among other things, the progress of the Church in this diocese, it may not be altogether uninteresting to its readers to hear of an event which does not very frequently occur in our North American dioceses, viz.: the consecration of two new Churches in one mission, on two consecutive days.

The 17th and 18th of Oct., were indeed days of rejoicing to the members of our Church here, and will long be engraven on the memories of those who, by their toils, their gifts, and sacrifices, have assisted in raising two edifices to the honor of God and for the service of His Church. Before, however, speaking of these solemnities, it may not be amiss to say a few words respecting this portion of the Missionary field. The Mission of Hemmingford, in the County of Huntingdon, comprises an extent of country of about 50 square miles. When the present mission-