

[Henderson, Jefferson Co. NY]

Agreeably to previous public notice, the new Universalist meeting house in Henderson, Jefferson county, was solemnly dedicated ... December 25th, 1839.... The house stands in a very commanding position, on a common of two acres - designed by the society for public use - near a flourishing little village, about the centre of town, with an adjacent shed 22 feet by 150 feet in length. It is 40 feet by 60, besides a porch on front projecting 7 1/2 feet by 25, with a well-proportioned steeple, containing three sections, a dome and spire, in all, 72 feet high. The house is built without galleries, with 21 feet posts, and the whole ceiling is arched from side to side; it contains 86 seats or slips, each 8 feet in length; it is painted white inside as well as outside, and furnished with green window blinds. On the whole it appears to be the very thing required by this society and community..."

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