

[Jefferson County, NY]

The First Universalist society of Dexter was formed September 5, 1841, with John Maynard, Thomas Broadbent, Solon Stone, David Barker, Francis W. Winne, and Eleazer Parker, Trustees. A church was built the same season, at a cost of about \$1,300, and dedicated December 23, 1841, sermon by Rev. Pitt Morse. Rev. H. [Henry] L. Hayward (January 1, 1842) was employed as the first clergyman. He was succeeded by G. S. Abbott (from November, 1842 to January 1, 1846). J. Wendall, C. [Charles] A. Skinner, William McNeal, Lyman Perry, and Asa Sax[e] have been employed by the society, generally on alternate Sabbaths, at salaries of \$150 to \$200. [p. 108]

The first Universalist society of Brownville was formed December 17, 1851, with Alanson Skinner, Henry Lord, Lewis Maynard, George Brown, and Heman Russ, trustees. In 1852-3 they erected a church in the village of Brownville. [p. 108]

The Universalist Church of Ellisburgh was formed Aug. 26, 1821, with 19 members; the present number is 50. The persons chiefly instrumental in forming it, were Isaac Mendell, Silas Emerson, John Clark, and Rev. Cornelius G. Persons [also spelled Person]. The clergy have been C. G. Persons, Chas. B. Brown, Oliver Wilcox, Luther Rice, Pitt Morse, and Alfred Peck. The society was formed Sept. 2, 1833 with J. Mendall [probably Isaac Mendell], Edmund M. Eldridge, Daniel Stearns, Edmund Palmer, and Richard Cheever, trustees. A church was erected at Ellis village in 1843, at a cost of \$1,500. [p. 164]

The First Universalist Society of Henderson was formed January 13, 1823, with John S. Porter, Roswell Davis, and Amasa Hungerford, trustees. In 1839 a church 40 by 60 feet was erected in the village, at a cost of \$3,000, and dedicated in December, 1839. On the 9th of March, 1822, a church organization was effected by Rev. Pitt Morse, of nineteen members. The clergy since employed have been P. Morse, C. [Cornelius] g. Person, Seth Jones, P. Morse, L. [Luther] Rice, and Alfred Peck. [p. 170]

(Hounsfield) About 1822, a small society of Universalists was formed, which continued three or four years. [. 189]

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