

## Dedication at Sterlingville, Jefferson Co., N.Y.

A new and neat Union Church was dedicated at Sterlingville last Thursday, the 4th instant.

It was built by the Methodists, Presbyterians, and Universalists—the latter contributing by far the larger portion. The structure cost something over Eighteen Hundred Dollars - is well furnished, lighted, and has a bell in the spire. And, most to be commended, the entire structure, with its furnishings and surroundings, *is paid for*. Its proprietors owe no man anything, but to love one another. At the dedication Br. A.[Aaron] A. Thayer, of Watertown, preached the sermon for the Universalists. Rev. Mr. Snyder, of Watertown, preached for the Presbyterians, and Rev. Mr. Matterson, of Adams, preached for the Methodists.

Our friends have shown a becoming zeal and liberality in the erection of this, the first church in Sterlingville, and especially the enterprising brother whose business energy has given his name to the village. Let them now see to it that their labor be not in vain. Let a preacher's voice be heard in defence of the principles which they profess to love.

*Christian Ambassador*, Auburn, NY, Saturday 13 December 1856

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#### STERLINGVILLE

A Universalist Society was organized at Sterlingville on the 1st of August. Eighteen persons became members. James Sterling, John J. Penniman and \_\_\_\_\_ were elected Trustees, \_\_\_\_\_ Miles, Clerk, and Sylvester Reed, Treasurer. The First Universalist Society in Sterlingville will undoubtedly apply for admission into the Black River Association [of Universalists] at its session in 1859. Rev. J[ohn] H. Stewart, their present pastor, will not be able to supply them after the 1st of September next. They wish to employ the services of someone else after that time....

A. A. T. [Rev. A[aron A. Thayer]

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