

MADISON

Organ Dedication

The dedication of the new memorial organ at the Congregational Church on Sunday morning was attended by a large congregation, 423 people being present. The order of worship and ritual of dedication of the organ were printed in last week's issue of this paper. The sermon by the pastor, the Rev. Arthur B. Patten, "The Ministry of Sacred Music," was taken from the text, "Sing unto the Lord with an instrument," Psalm 33:2. It was a most inspiring and eloquent sermon. Impressively delivered, as all Dr. Patten's sermons are, it sank deeply into the hearts of his hearers. The singing by the choir was well done. The organ, in itself, is a wonderful piece of workmanship, but when played by a master of music, such as the organist, Leon P. Beckwith, words are inadequate to express appreciation of both organ and organist. The selection in memoriam, "Marche Funebre, et Chant Seraphique", by Guilmant, was played so wonderfully well that it brought forth the exquisite and beautiful tones of the organ.

The words of the "Hymn to the Organ", and the hymn, "Immanuel", were composed by Doctor Patten. Among those present were people from New Haven, Guilford, North Guilford, East River, Madison, Clinton and other towns.