Building of Huddersfield

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OPENING OF THE TECHNICAL SCHOOL AND MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

The opening ceremony, took place on Thursday the 28th of June, and was attended by a large and appreciative audience. The proceedings were conducted by the Rev. J. W. Whittaker, M.A., who delivered an address on the occasion, commending the establishment of the institute as an admirable provision for the education and improvement of the working classes. The proceedings were opened by the Mayor of Huddersfield, who then presented the keys of the institute to the president of the institute, Mr. E. Kempe. The institute was opened to the public at three o'clock in the afternoon, and was immediately thronged with visitors, who were received by the president, Mr. Kempe, and his associates, who were in attendance. The building is a fine structure, erected at a cost of £10,000, and is calculated to accommodate a large number of students. It is well arranged, and the separate departments are admirably fitted up. The technical school, which is on the ground floor, is provided with lecture-rooms, drawing-offices, and all the necessary appliances for the instruction of the students. The mechanics' institute, which is on the first floor, contains a large library, reading-rooms, and a variety of other facilities for the benefit of the working classes. The opening of the school was followed by a great exhibition of works executed by the students, which was received with Universal approbation. The institute promises to be an useful and important addition to the educational arrangements of the town.