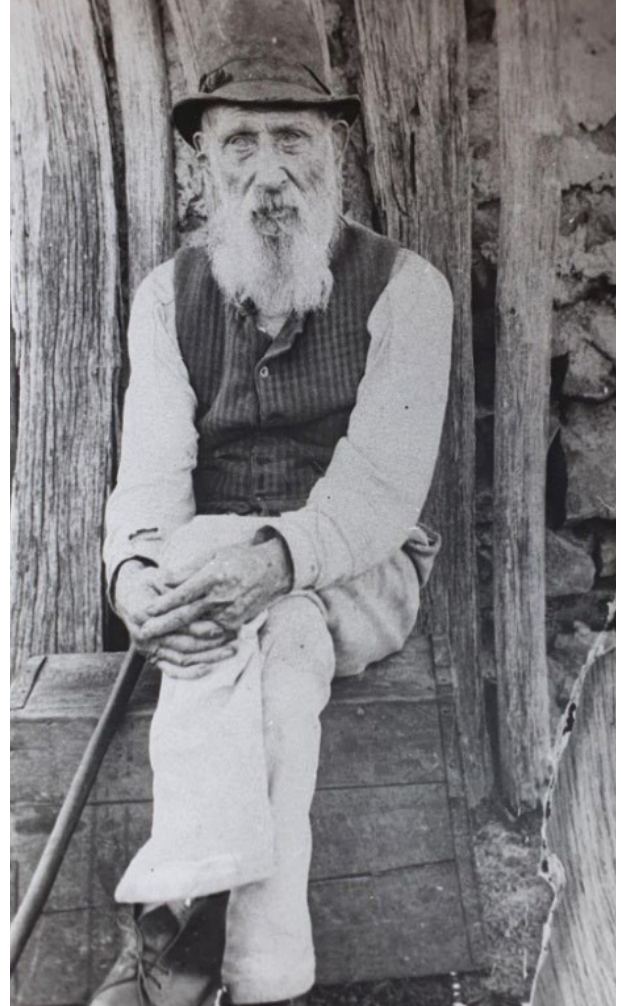
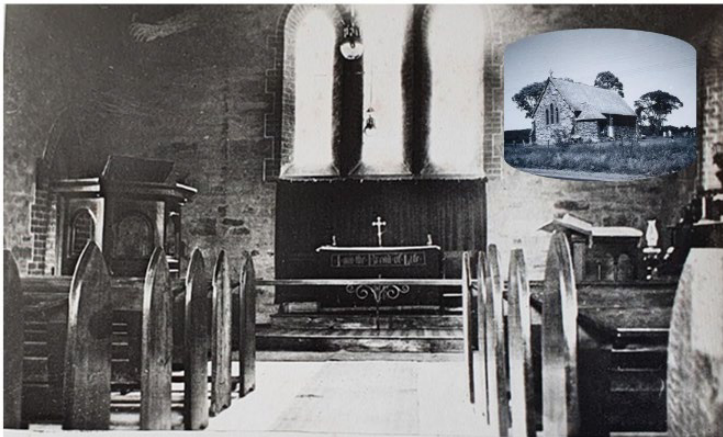


***Bishop Samuel Marsden first
Bishop of Bathurst***



***Local identity Jock Lowe builder
of the Church of England***



THE OLD VILLAGE CHURCH.
The little old Church still stands on the hill
Where oft with my loved one on Sundays I'd go;
In fancy I hear its old bell ringing still,
Ah! This scene brings to memory dear days long ago.
On our way to this church the first dawning of love
In my breast shed a ray of sweet, tranquil delight;
Flowers blooming round us, birds singing above;
The sweetest of spots in my memory so bright.

***Holy Trinity Church (inset); inside the church
in the 1930s and a poem by H. H. Neary***

The first Bishop of Bathurst, Samuel Marsden, laid a foundation stone here in 1871 to replace the airy weatherboard and calico Anglican church built in 1866. Donations by John Smeed and J.B. Suttor of £200 and the employment of local carpenter and a goldfield personality, Jock Lowe, when sober, saw the construction of a new church in 1874.