

CARROLL TON'S NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING COMPLETED
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Carrollton's old public school building burned on the morning of Nov. 17th 1888. The citizens at once began the agitation of a new building. The plans of different architects were sought and examined by the Board of Education. On Feb 4th of 1889, the plans of F. S. Allen, of Joliet, Ill., were adopted and an advertisement was at once published for bids to build the building. On Apr. 9th bids were opened and the contract was awarded to W. F. Hoyle, of Lincoln, Ill, for \$25,240.

The corner stone was laid June the 6th with imposing ceremonies by Grand Master Smith of Chicago and an able address by State Superintendent Edwards. The contract provided that the building was to be completed by Sept. 15, 1889, but the extreme wet weather of last summer made this impossible. The building is now completed. The furnaces have been fired up the past week, and heat admirably. A force of men are cleaning up the rooms and putting down seats, and if nothing prevents the building will be occupied next week

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The building of our schoolhouse will be let today to the lowest and best bidder. It will be sufficiently capacious to accommodate 100 pupils, comfortable and attractive enough to insure good attendance; and the last but by no means the least, we mean to employ an able instructor, other things being equal, we see nothing to prevent education at this place.

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