

Everybody who has heard the Jubilee Singers will claim a part ownership in the fine new educational hall dedicated at Fisk University on New Year's Day. It represents the profits of the singers' concerts. The dedication was a notable affair, and secured the presence of Gov. Porter, of Tennessee, Bishop McTyre, and many leading educators. The new University building cost \$120,000, nearly all of which was raised by the Jubilee Singers. Gen. Fisk, by personal effort in New York, raised sufficient funds to furnish the forty rooms of the building. The institution partakes somewhat of the nature of a normal college, as, since its establishment, ten years ago, it has graduated many hundred teachers and candidates for the ministry—all colored. The University was established and is conducted, as every one knows, under the auspices of the American Missionary Association, but various denominations are represented in the directors, corps of teachers, and professors. The following particulars we have from an authoritative source: "The dedication took place Jan. 1st, the anniversary of the Proclamation of Emancipation, and three years after the first shovel full of earth was thrown out for the foundation of the building. The day was delightful, and a throng of people, white and black, were present. The leading address was delivered by Gen. Fisk, the early and steady friend of the school, and President of the Board of Trustees. It was replete with noble sentiments in regard to the elevation of the colored people, and of good will towards the whole South. Other addresses followed, by gentlemen from the North and the South. The prayer of dedication, and the delivery of the keys to the faculty, completed the exercises. In the evening a bountiful repast was enjoyed by about three hundred invited guests, white and colored, and these, seated together, afforded an unusual spectacle in the South—a harbinger, we trust, of the decay of race prejudice. The building itself is a noble structure, solid in its walls, graceful in appearance, and convenient in all its arrangements. Its east front is 145 feet long; its south front 128 feet; it is six stories high, including basement and cellar. The dining hall will seat 300 persons. The building contains 120 rooms, 80 of which are furnished for students, two to a room. The furniture of half of these was secured by Mrs. Gen. Fisk, and the other half is the gift of friends in Great Britain. The location is beautiful and commanding, and the faculty and students who have struggled so long under the discouragements and inconveniences of the dilapidated hospital buildings will rejoice in the change furnished by this healthful and commodious structure. The Jubilee Singers who are once more in Great Britain are as successful as on their former visit. Their aim is to secure the means to erect another building for chapel, recitation-rooms, and a boys' dormitory, and to make the beginnings at least of a permanent endowment."