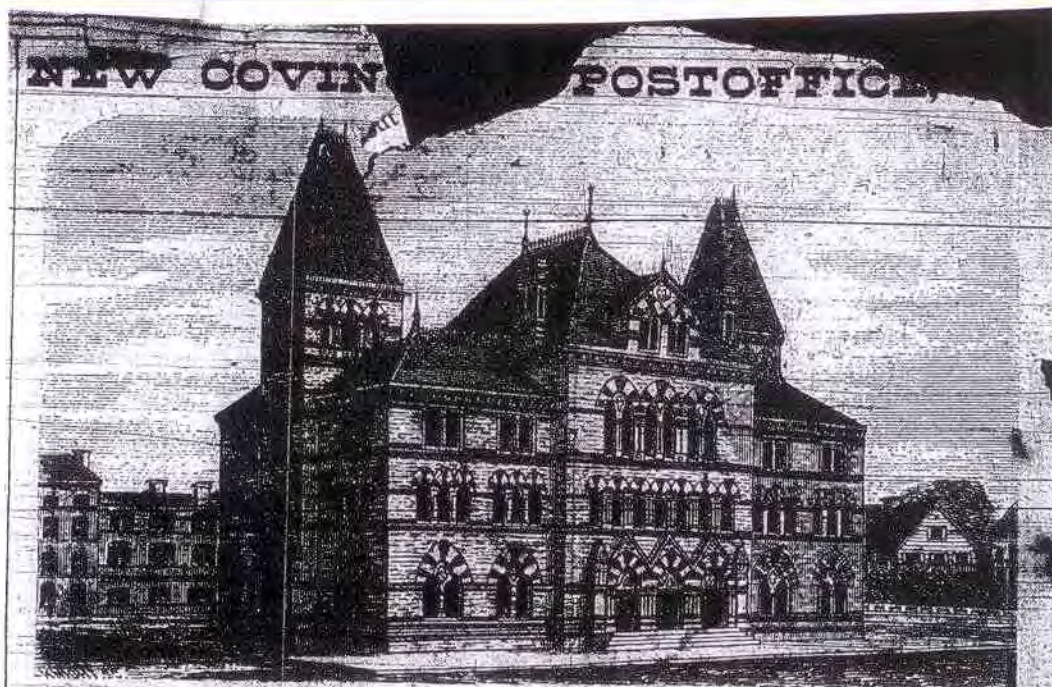


## Northern Kentucky Views Presents:



We present above a cut of the new Government building, now in process of construction on Scott street, between Third and Lower Market, to be used as a United States Post office and Court rooms. The site purchased for this building is a beautiful one, conveniently located and admirably adapted to the uses for which it is designed. The price paid for the ground was in the neighborhood of fifty thousand dollars, thirty thousand of which was appropriated by Congress, and the balance raised by contributions from the property holders in the vicinity. The appropriation for the building is \$250,000. The lot is one hundred and sixty-seven by one hundred and fifty feet in extent. It is bounded on the West by Scott street, South by Lower Market, East by Short street and North by Third street. The work of excavation was commenced August 16th, 1875. The foundation is one hundred and forty feet in length and seventy-nine feet and three inches in width. It is of concrete, three feet in thickness and covers the entire plat of ground occupied by the building, and has just been completed. Drains are laid through it from every corner, all centering at the north-east corner. The work has been most faithfully done under the able superintendence of Mr. MICHAEL P. SMITH.

The specifications for the basement, and the building, proper, have not yet been received, but there is little doubt that they will be constructed of our native limestone.

For this valuable and important addition to our public buildings, the citizens of Covington are indebted to the persistent and strenuous personal efforts of Senator STEVENSON and Representatives THOMAS L. JONES and WILLIAM E. ARTHUR. To the latter especially the greatest possible credit is due, and he deserves the lasting gratitude of his former constituency. If it be found that any additional appropriations are needed for the completion of the structure, we feel assured that the influence and effort of our present Representative, Hon. THOMAS L. JONES, will be successfully exerted in that regard.

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