

GIFTS OF THREE STATUES.

Heroic Figures to Adorn the Chamber of Commerce Building.

The Chamber of Commerce has been presented with three statues which are to adorn the front of the new building on Liberty Street. The statues are of De Witt Clinton, Alexander Hamilton, and John Jay, and are the gifts of Morris K. Jesup, John S. Kennedy, and William E. Dodge, respectively.

Each statue is to cost about \$12,000. Work on them has been begun. Daniel French is to create the statue of Clinton and Philip Martiny is to model the other two. The statues are to be of heroic size, eight feet high, and of marble.

It is not expected that they will be ready for the opening of the new building in November next, but they will then probably be represented by plaster casts. The figure of De Witt Clinton will probably stand in the centre and that of Alexander Hamilton on the right and of John Jay on the left.

The original intention was to decorate the new building with allegorical statues, but that idea has now been abandoned.

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