The fine new building of the Academy of Notre Dame, now being erected in the Back Bay Fens on a tract of land containing nearly 350,000 square feet, bounded by the Riverway, Avenue Louis Pasteur and Brookline avenue, is rapidly nearing completion.

The structure lies about 100 feet back from the line of the Riverway, and midway between the two avenues. The building is four stories high.

The building is divided in two portions, that toward Brookline Avenue being devoted to the academy and the remaining half to the convent. In plan the building resembles the capital letter E, and parallel with the Riverway is the corridor, 250 feet long. The visita, however, is qualified by certain points of shut-off, out of regard to the cloisteral principle. Individual access is provided to each portion.

On the academy side of the building there is a splendid gymnasium with an apartment for the Tabernacle Sewing Society to the rear. In the central wing is a lunch room with serving room and accessories. On the convent side are the sisters' refectory, the laundry, kitchen, scullery and bakery and room for refrigeration.

One of the features of the academy is the music hall on the third floor. It is provided with 24 independent apartments for individual practice, while the rest of the academy side of this floor is devoted to class rooms and studies—the convent wing being occupied with dormitories and minor apartments. The building is of fireproof construction.

It is not expected that the buildings will be actually occupied by the students until the end of the winter.