

Good for Mr. Lennon [Hospital appropriation bill passes house]

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GOOD FOR MR. LENNON!

It is a gratifying bit of news which Hon. M. J. Lennon gives to the readers of the "Morning Call" to-day, i. e., that the bill appropriating \$5000 toward the erection of a hospital in Allentown had been passed in the house. The bill in full is given in our local columns.

While the news must be gratifying to the people of Allentown in general it is doubly gratifying to the "Morning Call." It was the "Morning Call" which revived the hospital project after it had lain dormant for several years. Many people believed it to be quite so dead as the proverbial door nail. However, in view of all the this discouragement, the "Morning Call" continued to advocate hospital and now that such an institution is in sight we will be pardoned for referring to the part which the "Morning Call" has taken in the matter.

The bill must now pass the senate and receive the approval of the governor before it becomes a law. Senator Stiles will take care of the measure in the upper branch and it is believed that Governor Hastings can be made to see the necessity of signing the bill.

Mr. Lennon deserves the thanks of the people of Allentown for the hard and unselfish work which he has done in behalf of the hospital project. It is not an easy matter to secure an appropriation for a charitable institution which has not yet been erected. The state is willing to extend aid to such institutions when they are in working order, but, to use a homely expression, it is "like pulling teeth" to induce the legislature to give money to assist in the erection of a hospital. In view of this fact, Mr. Lennon deserves a great measure of praise, and the "Morning Call" hopes that the people of Allentown and Lehigh county will give him every bit of credit due him.

The hospital is now in sight, but a great deal of work remains to be done at home. There are hundreds of people in Allentown—perhaps thousands—who are abundantly able to give handsome amounts to the fund, but who have not, as yet, done so. What better way can they adopt of showing that they appreciate the work of Lehigh's senator and representatives than by sending in their mites. In the words of ye country editor, "Now is the time to subscribe."