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The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Allentown Hospital Association, which now numbers over 400 members, yesterday afternoon held a meeting in the Weightman building to decide upon a course of action to enable the trustees of the hospital to formally open the institution next Monday. This week will be a busy week for the ladies, but as the greater part of the preliminary work has been done they will be enabled to have everything in readiness by Monday. They decided to give the trustees their bond for \$500, and at the dedication of the building, which will take place sometime about the middle of June, they will raise a considerable sum by the sale of refreshments. For this purpose, and to make general arrangements for the opening, different committees were appointed.

The board of trustees is meeting with splendid success in the work of securing funds for the hospital, and, as it now looks, the Allentown Hospital will be dedicated free of debt. This prospect should encourage all who desire the success of the institution and encourage many who have thus far done little to do more. Yesterday afternoon a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary gave \$800, and several of our physicians each gave \$100. One of the jewelers gave all the silverware and cutlery that will be needed. A crockery company has decided to give all the dishes, including an elegant dinner set. A lady gave a dining-room table and chairs. Another crockery company is expected to donate glassware. A number of grocers have volunteered to contribute groceries. These should be sent to the hospital on Friday and such contributions should include such articles as would be used in a regular household. It would be a pleasure to give the names of those firms and individuals who have so generously contributed but the names are withheld for the present at the request of the donors.

The hospital boxes are receiving liberal contributions. Another lot was necessary. Some will to-day be sent to the cement works and towns in that section.

Last evening the Turf Club held a meeting and decided to hold five races on Monday afternoon at the fair grounds for the benefit of the hospital. The club will not make a cent through these races. Everything will go to the hospital. The entries include the best horses in this section and the event will be well worth the price of admission, 25 cents. They expect to raise at least \$500 on that afternoon.

On next Monday, when the institution will be opened, it will be inspected by a committee from Harrisburg. By that time at least a dozen patients can be cared for and everything will be in good shape to continue the work.