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THE HOSPITAL INSPECTION.

Sub-Committee of Appropriation Committee of the Assembly in Town.

Hon. Harry B. Shutt of York county; Hon. Grant R. McGlathery, of Montgomery county, and Hon. Howard E. Leib, of Schuylkill county, comprising a sub-committee appointed by Ward B. Bliss, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, to visit the various hospitals in this section of the State, paid the city a visit yesterday. They were met at the Hotel Hamilton by Hon. Harry G. Stiles, E. H. Reninger and Dr. Charles Martin. The Lehigh Valley Traction Company very kindly placed the private car of President Johnson at the disposal of the distinguished visitors, and under the guidance of Secretary John E. Kenny, they were taken over the road as far north as Coplay and shown the immense cement industries of that region, so that they could see for themselves the vast number of workmen, who in case of an accident or sickness, have to depend upon the Allentown Hospital for succor and relief. The visitors also learned to their surprise that in this vast manufacturing region there was not a single hospital between Wilkes-Barre and Allentown. They were then taken to the hospital and shown everything in connection with the institution. They also saw how overcrowded the institution is, that there were twenty-nine patients, and that every nook and corner was filled with cots. Everything in connection with the hospital was explained, what had already been accomplished and what the trustees proposed to do and the urgent necessity for State aid. The visitors conducted a searching inquiry into everything connected with the institution and expressed themselves as highly pleased with what they had seen. They were then taken to the Livingston Club, where luncheon was served, after which they left for South Bethlehem, where they inspected St. Luke's Hospital.

That hospital was thoroughly looked over, a searching investigation made in every department. The visitors were shown around by the doctors and nurses. The visitors returned to Allentown and last evening were conducted around the city. They were guests at the Hamilton over night.