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Are You for a County Poor House?

Next month the voters of Centre county will be called upon to decide whether or not the overseer system of keeping the poor is to be done away with and a county house erected for paupers. As to whether a change would be advantageous, the voters will be able to decide best for themselves. The question is entirely removed from politics and should be viewed from a purely business standpoint. Every individual should study the matter thoroughly and then decide for himself which would be best; to continue as we are doing in the county or merge all the poor duplicates into one and erect a general home for paupers.

There are many reasons why a home for the poor would be an advantage to asylum has refused to receive in the county at large. It would tend to decrease pauperism, for many indigents, who are now drawing help from the precincts in which they live, would get to work rather than go to a public the polls next month. A change of alms house. Reducing the supervising officers to a minimum would lessen the expense of managing the poor departments of the county. The house could be made almost self supporting

if properly managed. Then their arises the question as to whether it is right to tax some of the precincts, where no poor tax is levied to sustain the others. And those not in favor of the plan declare that a county house could not be as economically managed as the affairs are under the present system; that it would be a continual cause of wrangling between the townships and that the taxation and help returned at present is so low as not to necessitate any change.

However this may be we publish a list of the counties of the State giving those that have poor houses and those that have not with a comparison of the cost of keeping the poor. From this you can draw your oan deduction, as to what way you think you can best subserve your interests in voting.

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and Centre, three have poor houses and three have none. It will be seen from the table below that Centre, with only 7,508 more people than Huntingdon, pays nearly three times as much

to keep her poor. Per Capita
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The following is the millage levied in the various boroughs and townships in Centre county for poor purposes for

the current year.	
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The question is one which should

enlist the deepest study from every tax payer. The WATCHMAN will do everything in its power to render assistance in this and will publish all communications on the subject that are sent in.

-The two Republican representatives from this county at Harrisburg have been named as members of the following committees: Womelsdorff: centennial affairs, constitutional reform, iron and coal and labor and in. dustry. Curtin.-Counties and townmanufacturers and municipal corporations. As there are usually but one or two meetings of each of the above committees during the session, it is evidently not intended that the statesmen (?) who represent our people in the Legislature shall be over worked in preparing legislation.

-The condition of municipal affairs in Bellefonte calls for an immediate investigation upon the part of the tax-payers of all departments of the borough. The tax duplicate, two thirds paid already, has been consumed and the treasury is empty. The Danville they got a glimpse of him. sane CARTER as a patient, because "Bellefonte borough does not pay its bills". The poor department is rotten to the core, as are most of the others, and a halt should be called at administration will do the borough good. Let the voters make it.

## Pattison for the Mayoralty.

Nominated by the Democracy of Philadelphia on Wednesday. Named on the first Ballot. In the Convention he Received a Vote of 828 to 79 for Colonel Charles H. Banes-The Nomina tion Was Made Unanimous-The Democracy of Philadelphia Are Now United-There Was Considerable Disorder in the Convention,

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16. - The Democratic city convention to-day was turbulent in the extreme. It was called to order in Warner's hall by Tempo-Chairman David W. Sellers with one third of the 900 delegates standing, the seating capacity being inadequate, and a movement was started to adjourn to a larger hall, but it was squelched It required an hour for the noisy delegates to elect a permanent chairman in the person of William F. Belsterling, who is identified with the regular Democracy, Michael J. Ryan being the had elapsed when ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison was nominated for mayor Governor-elect, justice of the Supreme over Colonel Charles H. Banes by a vote of 828 to 79. The nomination was afterward made unanimous. The convention nominated Colonel Sylvester Bonnaffon, jr. for receiver of taxes, by acclamation, and also nominated seven Pop. Cost. Cap. candidates for police magistrate.

The hour fixed for the convention, which was the first held since the reguar wing of the Philadelphia Democracy nd the minority faction, styled the Pennsylvania Democracy, have apparntly become unified, was fixed at 10 'clock. At that time the hall was fill-Chairman Sellers tried to call the delegates to order his efforts could not be

eard ten feet away. Every man in the hall was on his feet leclaring his right to this or that seat or disputing the political merits of some well known leader. It was clearly apparent that the unconventional throng would get into a row so heated were the unnecessary epithets that were being passed, but this did not occur. Just why disorder should prevail was not evident to the slim conservative ele-

ment. At 10.12 something like order was obtained in the front row. The chairman named the other temporary officers and and then City Chairman Wilhere, on behalf of the "Regulars," nominated William F. Belsterling for permanent chairman. Dallas Sanders, as sponsor for the minority delegates, nominated Michael J. Ryan. The vote of 684 for Belsterling and 213 for Ryan showed the respective strength, of the wings. Mr. Ryan furthered harmony, however, by moving that the selection of Mr. Belsterling be made unanimous and this was done. The vote was cast amid great confusion. Delegates alternately cheered and hissed and Candidate Ryan went so far as to accuse the chair of

"gag law".

The nomination for a candidate for mayor being next on the card a half Taking the five counties adjoining, dozen and strong lunged delegates speech was made but several addresses followed in seconding this selection. When the Pattison boom had somewhat quieted, Mr. Ryan placed Colonel Charles H. Banes in nomination and William Findlay Brown made the seconding speech. The vote resulted : Pattison, 828; Banes, 79, and the nomination of the ex-governor was made

unanimous. The convention, after nominating Colonel Bonnaffon for receiver of taxes by acclamation and naming the seven candidates for police magistrates ad-

journed. Colonel Bonnaffon is a well known Republican and he was placed upon the Democratic ticket in deference to the endorsement of him by the Municipal league and the citizens' committee,

reform bodies.

PATTISON LIKELY TO ACCEPT. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.-Ex-Governor Pattison will not say whether or not he will accept the Democratic mayorality nomination given him to-day. All that he would say upon the matter was that he would carefully consider it before deciding. Nevertheless it seems to be the general opinion that Mr. Pattison will accept the nomination. The position of the Pennsylvania Democracy, the faction opposed to the regular organization, is largely problematical as yet, but the action of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania Democracy of the Twenty-ninth ward to-night is significant, and seems indicative of peace in the party. The ward is the stronghold of the Pennsylvania Democracy, and when the committee met this evening its first action was a hearty endorsement of Pattison.

Another Governor From Bellefonte.

Citizens of Varying Political Faith Make the Inauguration Memorable.-Great Crush of Visitors.—Harrisburg Has a Day Off to Witness the Show .- The New Executive's Address .- The Home of Curtin and Beaver Again Honored.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 15 .- Governor Hastings went into his office with sufficient uproar to day. The diligent efforts of Republican leaders, Republican office-seekers and generous minded Democrats were ample to make the inauguration memorable. There was a great crush of visitors to the state capi ship, congressional apportionment, tal, a goodly number of the national guard, a profusion of gold lace, plumes and swords, and a multitude of mortals who constitute the civic and political organization.

Philadelphia Republican clubs, finding railroad fare cheap, came into the city to the number of more than a dozen, with a thousand or so individuals comprising them, and not a few of them wore, with an air of bravado the Penrose colors, and openly predicted that Governor Pattison would be the next mayor of Philadelphia. Indeed, this Pattison boom was a unique feature of the inauguration, and it was curious to note the greeting the Philadelphians gave Mr. Pattison whenever

As inaugurations go, this one was a success-a big and variegated parade and a rushing mob of people to see the new executive take hold of commonwealth affairs. Harrisburg closed its schools and many of its business places, and decorated itself with proper gaudiness. Then it waited for the show. First it saw early in the morning the incoming crowds, earliest of which was the Tariff club, of Pittsburg. The legislature having with proper gravity met and appointed the necessary committees to escort dignitaries out on the reviewing stand.

Then the Senate adjourned, as did also the lower House to witness the inauguration of Governor Hastings. The procession from the executive mansion to the capitol started promptly at 11:30 o'clock, Capt. F. M. Ott, commanding the Governor's troop, was detailed to assist Chief Marshal Olmstead, Brig. Gen. P. S. Gobin and staff; Congressman John E. Reyburn, marshal second division and staff, Maj. I. B. Brown, marshal third division, and staff; Charles F. Deikr, marshal fourth division, and staff; State College cadets, guard of honor, Lieut. E. W. McCaskey commanding, escorted from the executive mansion to the unsuccessful aspirant. Another hour the capital the Governor, Governorelect, Lieutenant Governor, Lieutenant court, joint committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, heads of departments and other invited guests in the following order.

Governor Robert E. Pattison, Governor-elect Daniel H. Hastings, Rev. William A. Honck, George Handy Smith, chairman joint legislative inaugural committee, in the first carriage, drawn by four horses. They were followed by other officials and nesis in the following order:

Ex-Gov. James A. Beaver, ex Lieut. protem of the Senate; James P. Sterrett, Chief Justice of the Supreme court of Pennsylvania; Henry Green, Henry W. Williams, justices of the when the ruins of the burned and shat-Supreme court : Edward M. Paxson, ex-chief justice of the Supreme court. J. Brewster McCollum, James T.

of Common Pleas of Dauphin county; John B. McPherson, additional law they are lying at different houses judge; Henry Walton, Speaker of the throughout the city to which they ry Fietcher, secretary of the Inaugural committee.

D. McM. Gregg, Auditor General; Amos H. Mylin, Auditor General-elect; Col. Samuel M. Jackson, State Treas- that can be learned the total amount of urer; B. F. Gilkeson, chairman Republican State committee. Col. Thomas J. Stewart, the new

Adjutant General; Gen. William J. Latta, Secretary elect of Internal Affairs; William F. Harrity, Secretary ot the Commonwealth.

W. U. Hensel, Attorney General : H. C. McCormick, the new Attorney General; George B. Luper, ex-Insurance Commissioner; Col. James H. Lambert, Insurance Commissioner.

Charles H. Krumbhaar, Superintendent of Banking; A. L. Tilden, deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth; James A. Stranahan, deputy Attorney General; Prof. Nathan C. Schaeffer, Superintendent of Public Instruc-

Senators William Flinn, Charles A. Porter, Samuel J. M. McCarrell, J. Henry Cochran, members of joint Legislative Inaugural committee.

George Kunkel, Samuel Peltz, Emmett E. Cotton, Stogdell Staples, members of the joint Inaugural committee, Maurice C. Eby, mayor; C. C. Schriver, president of Common Councils; H. A. Walkemeyer, president of Select Council.

Walter W. Greenland, ex-Adjutant General and etaff; Maj. Gen. George R. Snowden, division National Guard of Pennsylvania, and staff; Brig. Gen. John A. Wiley, Second Brigade, National Guard of Pennsylvania, and staff: Gen. John W. Scholl and staff, First Brigade, National Guard.

Upon arrival at Capitol park the Governor-elect and the members of his Cabinet, Gov. Pattison and his Cabinet and ex-Judge Paxson entered the main building at the State street entrance, thus reaching the platform without passing through much of a crowd. It lacked a minute of 12 2 for acquittal. The next ballot was o'clock when the party stepped on the unanimous for conviction of ; manplatform. Gen. Hastings walked with uncovered head, at the left of Gov. outgoing and incoming Cabinets and were of the opinion that an acquittal guests, Rev. William A. Houck, of would have been the proper verdict. Hazleton, formerly pastor of the Belletonte Methodist church delivered an every side and he and his father, togethimpressive prayer. It was 15 minutes er, shook hands with all of the juriors as in length and was followed by Clerk E. they filed out of the jury box.

W. Smiley, of the Senate, reading the certificate of election.

Gen. Hastings then stepped to the front and Chief Justice James P. Sterrett administered the oath of office, followed by the Governor's salute from Battery C. Then Gov. Hastings in a voice that rang out distinctly over the one's mind concerning her. She had immense gathering, delivered his in-augural address which can be tound on page 6 of this paper. Then followed the benediction, and after that the inaugural parade, which was reviewed by the new Governor and his guests at to have been in the wreck. the Executive mansion.

The military, civic and political parade, following after the inauguration, was indeed, a magnificent affair. The glitter and pomp of the citizen soldiery, the rivalry of the several local fire companies and the dignity of the political organizations from the East and West combined harmoniously in the successful display, and formed the most attractive parade ever seen here. The First, Fifth and Eighth regiments of the National Guard, in command of Gen. J. P. S. Gobin, represented the State militia. The Pennsylvania State College cadets, 235 in number, and handsome, bright young fellows, acted as a personal escort for Governor Hastings and was probably the most

attractive feature of the parade. Philadelphia and several eastern towns sent many clubs. but none appeared so natty and handsome as the Young Men's Tariff club, of Pittsburg. There were 150 of the tariff boys in line. Each wore a Mackintosh, with the flaming red lining of the capes and of friends for Philadelphia, arriving there thrown back over the shoulders. Each also wore a silk badge with the name of the club in gold letters, and bearing an accurate likeness of C. L. Magee. All along the line from the capitol to the reviewing stand, the crack political organization of Pittsburg was liberally applauded, and many of the members are now suffering with sever colds, consequent upon their continually uncovering in recognition of their generous reception,

To-night Governor and Mrs. Hastings gave a reception at the executive the old State House, the tomb of great grand mansion, which was attended by persons of prominence from all over the State. It was a delightful affair, Priguests to the Governor who in turn introduced them to Mrs. Hastings. Lieut. Gov. Lyon and Mrs. Lyon, and the members of the cabinet and their wives assisted in receiving. Earlier in the evening the Governor entertained his cabinet at dinner. An elaborate display of fireworks was made on Market street to night.

Ex Governor Pattison left Harrisburg immediately after the inauguration, to join his wife in Philadelphia, who is suffering with rheumatism. The ex Governor was accompanied to the train by a number of personal and political friends.

## The Disaster at Butte.

BUTTE, Mont., January 16 .- Butte is slowly recovering from the stupefacwas thrown last night by the explosion that cost at least three score Gov. L. A. Watres, Lieut. Gov. Walter lives and injured and mangled a hunpoisterous crowd, and when Temporary Lyon, C. Wesley Thomas, president dred people besides. So far the mangled bodies of forty seven persons have been recovered and the total will undoubtedly be swelled to sixty or seventy

tered warehouse have been searched. The dead are so horribly mangled in most cases as to be unrecognizable, Mitchell, John Dean, D. Newlin Fell, but twenty-six have been identified by justices of the Supreme court; John their clothing and articles found op-W. Simmonton, president judge Court on them. The exact number of wounded cannot yet be learned, as House of Representatives, and C. Har- were hurried. The terrible calamity was due primarily to a slight fire that started about 10 o'clock last night in a storage shed near the track of the Montana Central railroad. From all explosives that went up in the three explosions was nearly thirty tons. The money loss will be about \$1.000,000.

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

AN INFORMAL FAREWELL TO HAST-INGS.-Last Friday night about one thousand residents of Bellefonte and vicinity visited the new Armory where an opportunity was afforded to say goodbye to General Hastings and his family. The Undine band was there to make music and it fulfilled its part of the program to perfection. A large number College, with many members of the faculty, were in town for the reception. Speeches were made by Gen. Beaver, sponded in a pleasant way.

CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER .-Amassa Winchester, the Clinton county murderer, has escaped the gallows, verdict of manslaughter. The extreme penalty for which is twelve years in the penitentiary, though Judge Mayer sentenced him to pay \$1 fine, costs of prosecution, and undergo an imprisonment in the western penitentiary in solitary confinement and at hard labor for the period of eight years and six manths.

last week and ended Friday evening about 5 o'clock. It took the jury only slaughter. The verdict gave general satisfaction, though some were inclined

Winchester was congratulated

A MILESBURG TRAVELER IN A WRECK .- The following letter, which was received here last week from Miss Chestie Potter, whom it was feared had been injured in a railroad wreck in Arizona, will set at ease the trouble in anybeen on her way to California, as a companion to two Boston, women and up to last Friday nothing had been

The letter gives a graphic account of her trip and of the wreck' Miss Potter is the oldest daughter of John F. Potter, Esq., of Milesburg:

heard from her, though she was known

My Dear Annie:I left home December 24, 1894, at 6 a. m., from the Bellefonte station, via. Lewisburg, Montandon and Harrisburg to Philadelphia, arriving there at 3 p. m., in Broad St. station, took Market St. car for Camden ferry-leaving Camden at 4 p. m., or the P. & W. J. Express train, going at lightning speed across the State of N. J., in a little over an hour, to Atlantic City. Remaining there all night and enjoying myself hugely at an intimate friend's house on Atlantic Avenue, with Cousin Carrie. We sighted for a short time the ocean's downy billows, the points of interest along the beach, and satis. fied my oft expressed desire to see the briny deep. After taking a short sleep we arose at 5 a. m., Christmas morn, and attended church service at 6, in the M. E. church. After break. fast at 7 we again viewed Atlantic's raging waters as a storm was making its advances and at 9.20, took our leave of the beautiful city before 11 a. m. walked up Chestaut St. to Broad St. station admiring the attractions. After resting there awhile I walked to 1718 Walnut St., and there ascertained that my two Boston friends were at the Aldine hotel be tween 19th and 20th, Chestnut St. I repaired there at once and was taken up the elevator o their room, and met for the first time my long anticipated Bostonian friends of education, wealth and refinement; in whom I was delighted and with whom I was to travel to

After spending an hour pleasantly with them, I went to Fairmount Park water works, father and mother Benj. Franklin and other places of interest, and then returned in time to leave Philadelphia from Broad St. Station vate Secretary Beitler introduced the at 6:55 p. m., for Cal. on the "Sunset Limited." Our train was elegantly equipped and makes the trip in 4 days from N. Y. or Boston via. Phila., Washington, Atlanta, New Orleans and Houston, Texas, to San Francisco. I greatly admired the scenery through part

Mexico. I saw the beautiful orb of day tak-

ing an early rise out of his deep and foamy

waters. The Crescent city is a lovely place for pleasure seekers. We crossed the Mississippi river at this point, on an immense ferry boat, and then took one of the grandest and most elaborately furnished trains that runs to the Pacific coast, composed of Pullman vestibule sleepers, dining car, library car, barber shop, baggage car etc. We stopped scarcely long enough to take breath. Somewhere in the wilds of Texas, early on Friday morning, I was awakened by almost an instant stop of the train. Some one soon sounded the alarm that our engine had broken down. We were almost forty miles away tion of terror and horror into which it from where we could get another and were detained over three hours before we started again. At lightning speed they tried to regain lost time. The first stop after that was Houston, Texas, depot, a very ordinary looking building. We crossed the second largest bridge in the world, spanning the Rio Pecos river in Texas, the train stopped in the center five minutes, Miss Faulkner and I walked the entire length of it, then we entered the baggage cars and passed through them; the library car, the dining car, barber shop and Pullman cars, until we reached our own. They were all handsome and inviting. On Saturday morning I awoke about 5 o'clock, and watched the king of light take his first peep at us, it was a fascinating sight, I then thought I would arise and dress for the day. After having done so, I placed all my articles in my grip and strapped it, I had my comb, shoe buttoner and knife in my handkerchief, in one hand and my hat in the other one, and started for the toilet room at the opposite end of the car. As I walked down the aisle, I wondered why the train rocked so badly, as I could hardly walk. Just as I opened the toilet room door I could hear something break-

ing. I felt as though I was going down, down I looked out of the window could see flames all around and hear the roaring and burning of Mrs. Keller. The little seventeen months the fire, it sounded as if everything was breaking and smashing to pieces. I shall NEVER forget the sicking horror of that moment, as I thought, and it looked as though I was going down through a burning bridge. I opened the and palate, when the child took cholera door onto the platform and saw the door open in the next car and people running out of it, Then I jumped off down about six feet and was safe. I saw others jump, most of them had nothing but their night clothing on, barefooted and bare-headed. I was on the end that went down through the bridge first. I of students from The Pennsylvania State | felt the floor hot through my shoes and had I been a moment later I would have been burned to death, the bridge was about as long as half the length of the train, I was the only one that was fully dressed and had everything Judge Love, Dr. Geo. W. Atherton in my grip. Two sleeping cars and a comand others. Gen. Hastings having re- posit car were burned. It was expected that all of our baggage was gone; but we after wards learned that some was saved. My trunk was badly smashed, had it not been well roped, it would have been lost. A young Scotch gentleman took from his trunk and re-roped it. Nearly all of the passengers the jury in his case having returned a lost most of their baggage in their State rooms and their daily clothing. Men helped uncouple cars in bare heads, bare feet and with no wearing apparel, except their night clothes. One private Pullman escaped uninjured and the dining car, we had to repair to until we got one Pullman from Tucson, about eighty mlles from the wreck. We did not get started until 5 p. m., we were all day on the desert plains of Arizona, without a drop of water to extinguish flames or cool our parched The trial began Tuesday morning of tongues. There were only two berths made up for Saturday night, no one seemed to want to be found sleeping again, lest they loose the balance of their wardrobe. We spent most of about an hour and a half. The first the night in sober thinking. Arrived in Sanballot stood: 10 for manslaughter and ta Barbara at 8 p. m. Sunday, feeling somewhat extinguished. More anon. CHESTIE. Adieu.

\_\_\_ Mrs. Esther a Baney, wife of David Beney of this place, died at the the Justices of the Supreme court, the to think he ought to hang while others home of her son Frank, on east High Deceased was 68 years old and had been in poor health for a long time. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at looses sight of the fact that numbers 2 o'clock.

Pine Grove Mention

That dreadful malady whooping cough is expanding the lungs of many of our little folks.

Emanuel Sunday Esq., who has been confined to his room for some weeks with pleurisy and rheumatism, is improving slowly.

Robert Gardner, a dry goods salesman representing one of Phila's best firms, is laid up with pneumonia at the home of his father, Wilson Gardner, at Rock Spring.

J. C. Kanode, of Alexandria, a prominent salesman in this section, was pleasantly entertained at the home of his brother in law, W. J. Meyers, Main street, the latter part of last week,

The cold blizzard that struck this section last Saturday night blockaded many of the roads. Mercury fell 42° from 10 o'clock Saturday evening to 7 o'clock Sunday morning, when it registered 12° below zero. Mrs. D. G. Meek is in Bellwood seeing

her only brother, who is ill with a complication of diseases. He has not enjoyed good health for years, but his many friends here hope that his life will be spared for many years to come. Last week D. D. G. Master Weber of

Boalsburg, paid Elizabeth Ishler, widow of the late Samuel F. Ishler, the snug sum of two thousand dollars from the Odd Fellows endowment association. One half of the amount goes to the children.

Mrs. P. F. Bottorf, who while not seriously ill, has been in failing health for some months with stomach and asthmetic trouble and whose indomitable will has kept her out of bed, was the subject of a consultation between Drs. Seibert of Bellefonte, and Woods of this place, on Thursday last.

On the 4th inst, the death angel entered the home of James Hilliard and claimed for its own the little son, who had lived but one year. He was buried at Gates. burg on the 6th inst; but on account of the inclement weather the funeral services were postponed until Sunday the 13th, when Rev. C. T. Aikens conducted them in the Gatesburg church.

The many relations and friends of Mrs. Matilda Musser, of Altoona, so well known in this County, will be grieved to hear of the serious accident which befell her recently. She fell on an icy pavement breaking three ribs and sustaining other injuries which her medical attendant says will require much careful treat-

A teacher's district institute will be of Georgia and Louisiana, also the Gulf of held in the Academy Hall on the 25th and 26th, when our town will be thronged with pedagogues from a half dozen neighboring townships. President A. J. Tate is working hard to make it a success, and we hope to give them a hearty welcome. Prof. Sparks of the State Col. lege will probably lecture on the evening of the 25th.

Mr. Wm. Hess, one of Philipsburg's solid business men, accompanied by his excellent wife, sleighed across the Alleghenies this week to pay a brief visit to his old home. In the quarter of a century since he left the "Branch" his beard has become frosted and his head almost hairless, physically he is stouter than ever : but his other half has retained all her youthful good looks. They are a wholesome jolly couple.

Mr. Henry McWilliams left for Philadelphia Wednesday to bring his father Mr. L. W. McWilliams, home. Mr. McWilliams is in a bad way, he has been in the Jefferson Hospital for six weeks. His one eye has been removed entirely and the other is only a very little better. It is hoped that surrounded by friends and home comforts his general health will be much better, and that his eye will improve with his body.

In our last letter we mentioned the death of Mr. Albert Martz. We heard he had died from the effects of an explosion; but a letter from the steward of the Pitts. burg hospital to Mr. Martz states that his son died of typhoid fever, and therefore his body could not be sent home. He was given a respectable burial in the Allegheny cemetery the particulars of which were more or less satisfying to his sorrowing parents, brothers and sisters.

We sadly note the death of little Helen Keller, youngest daughter of Squire and old child with its parents were in the Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, where they were awaiting an opportunity to have an operation performed on its lip infantum and died. On the morning of the 15th the heartbroken parents brought the little body home by the way of Oak Hall, where they were met by undertaker Heberling. Kind neighbors did all they could for the comfort and consolation of the bereaved ones, and at 10 Wednesday morning the burial took place.

Dear mother stay thy tears, And father grieve no more, Your little darling is free from sin with Jesus now, And will be evermore.

THE ODD FELLOWS ANNUAL BANQUET .-The fifteenth anniversary banquet of the Boalsburg Lodge was celebrated at the comfortable home of Brother Charles Kuhn on the Branch. Early in the evening the guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn in such a cordial manner, that soon was forgotten the cold and snow through which they had come. Conspicuous among the guests were ex-Sheriff Ishler and wife, who had sleighed up from the county seat to have a share in the good times and to partake of the spirit of the occasion. Members and guests congratulated each other on the condition of the order and many were the wishes expressed that its growth and success would continue indefinitely. At ten o'clock the guests were invited to clear off the festive board and not until one o'clock was that accomplished-and for all we know, those old patriarchs, Is. Condo and W. J. Meyers might still be there, calling for oysters. Sheriff Ishler, W. J. Meyers, John Fortney, D. W. Meyers, D. D. G. Master Weber and others responded to the toasts, and everybody returned to their homes delighted with the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn, who in their turn, were pleased with the social side of the I. O. O. F. A lodge which always uses discrimination and precaution in the moral and mental fit. ness of applicants, and which never alone do not guarantee worth.