

December 15, 1892 – Chester Times

THE HOSPITAL OPENED – Post Wilde Has Its Room Completely Equipped

The Other Rooms Will Be Furnished Rapidly – Many Persons Visited the Hospital and a Number of Donations Were Received

The new hospital was formally opened this morning at 10 o'clock. Many persons were present and the institution was again inspected. The Board of Managers were present and received the visitors, and the various committees, which were announced in yesterday's TIMES, looked after the donations. So far but one room is furnished, and this by Wilde Post, a committee from which will formally present the furnishings to the Board of Managers this afternoon. It is a cheerful room. On the wall hangs a handsome picture of the battle of Gettysburg; there is a comfortable cot, a large wardrobe and everything to cheer up the sick or injured.

The Second Ward Episcopal Sunday School Association loaned the use of the chairs in the school room, which were used for the accommodation of visitors. The large clock which was presented to the hospital fair held in the Armory some time ago, and which was won by the young ladies who had charge of Mrs. Joseph Deering's table, was placed at the head of the main stairway.

A committee of ladies from the First Presbyterian Church inspected the various rooms in the institution with a view to selecting a ward to be furnished by the church.

The first donation was received from Mrs. Mary W. Slocumb and consisted of three dozen knit wash rags. Mrs. Slocumb, who is in her 87th year, did the knitting herself.

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