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**TENTH ANNUAL REPORT**  
 OF THE  
**COLUMBIA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB**  
 FOR THE  
 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1867.

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COLUMBIA INSTITUTION FOR THE INSTRUCTION  
OF THE DEAF AND DUMB,  
*Washington, October 28, 1867.*

SIR: In compliance with the acts of Congress making provision for the support of this institution, we have the honor to report its progress during the year ending June 30, 1867:

NUMBER OF PUPILS.

The pupils remaining in the institution on the first day of July, 1866, numbered.....			96
Admitted during the year .....	8		
Admitted since July 1, 1867.....	14		
	—	22	
Dismissed since July 1, 1866.....	11		
Died.....	3	14	
		—	8
Number now in the institution.....			104
Under instruction since July 1, 1866, males, 84; females, 34; total....			118

A catalogue of the names and residences of the pupils will be found appended to this report.

THE HEALTH OF THE INSTITUTION.

The completion of the eastern section of the primary department building in December last, in which greatly improved accommodations are afforded for the male pupils, has served to diminish the amount of sickness in our household usually incident to the inclement season of winter, and we are able to report a year of unusual exemption from disease.

One case of typhoid fever appeared in May, of a serious character, but by the blessing of a kind Providence, seconded by skilful medical treatment and faithful nursing, the patient recovered.

During the vacation one of our pupils, named John A. Unglebower, of Frederick county, Maryland, was seized with gastric fever, and after a short illness died. He was a boy of exemplary character and good promise, whose early death is mourned by all who knew him.

On the first day of June last two members of our college, James Cross, of Pennsylvania, and Malachi Hollowell, of Illinois, were removed by death under circumstances of a peculiarly distressing nature.

A large party of the students were bathing in the Eastern branch, when suddenly Mr. Cross was seized with cramp or convulsions, and though he had prompt assistance from his companions, some undergoing great personal danger in their efforts to save their friend, he died before he could be brought to the shore; not drowned, apparently, but yielding to some violent congestion, the action or cause of which can never be definitely understood.

Shortly after the death of Mr. Cross it was observed that Mr. Hollowell was nowhere to be seen, and the sad conviction was forced upon the minds of his friends that he had been seized as was his companion, or that he had lost his presence of mind in the excitement of seeing his fellow-student in mortal danger. His remains were recovered on the day following the accident, and, with those of Mr. Cross, interred in the lot of the institution in Glenwood cemetery.

The loss to the college of these two promising young men is felt most keenly by officers and students; consolation, however, being allowed us in the hope that they were not unprepared to meet the sudden and unexpected summons,

