

HOUSE No. 1151.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 17, 1904.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom were referred the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 16) of James Mott Hallowell, city solicitor of the city of Medford, for legislation to provide for suppressing the ravages of the gypsy moth, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

JAS. B. PAIGE.

Mr. Edson of West Brookfield, of the House, dissents.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four.

AN ACT

To declare the Pupæ, Nests and Eggs of the Gypsy Moth and the Brown Tail Moth Public Nuisances and to provide for the Suppression thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. For the purposes of this act the
2 pupæ, nests and eggs of the gypsy moth and
3 the brown tail moth are hereby declared public
4 nuisances; and cities and towns are hereby au-
5 thorized to suppress the said nuisances, acting by
6 such authorities, agents or agent as the respective
7 mayor and aldermen of cities and selectmen of
8 towns may designate.

1 SECTION 2. In case any of the nuisances de-
2 scribed in the first section of this act are found
3 to exist upon the land of any person in any city
4 or town, the official who may have been desig-
5 nated to do therein the work provided for by this

6 act may notify such owner to abate said nuisances
7 upon his premises, and if the owner does not pro-
8 ceed within fourteen days to comply with the re-
9 quirements of such notice, said official may enter
10 upon said land and abate nuisances at the expense
11 of the owner and the cost of the work may be
12 recovered by the city or town from the owner, in
13 an action of contract.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

