

HOUSE No. 1352

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 24, 1909.

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 30) of James E. Rich, mayor, and the board of health of the city of Lynn for a more thorough enforcement of the law relative to contagious diseases, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

E. B. COLEMAN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

AN ACT

Relative to entering and leaving Dwelling Houses containing Cases of Dangerous Diseases.

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. Whenever a dwelling house is marked
2 by the board of health of a city or town with a card
3 indicating that it contains a case of diphtheria, scar-
4 let fever or other contagious or infectious disease
5 declared by the state board of health to be danger-
6 ous to the public health, it shall be unlawful for any
7 person to enter the house except the dwellers in the
8 same, and physicians, *clergymen* and nurses or
9 other persons whose attendance is *in the opinion of*
10 *the board of health* necessary; it shall be unlawful
11 for any person to leave said house or the yard ad-
12 joining the same except *physicians and clergymen*
13 without the permission of the board of health; and
14 it shall be unlawful for any parent or other person
15 having the care or control of any children dwelling

16 in a house so marked to permit said children to play
17 or associate with other children until the house is
18 fumigated and the *card* is removed by said *board of*
19 *health*.

1 SECTION 2. Any violation of this act shall be pun-
2 ished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

