

HOUSE No. 315.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 26, 1870.

The Committee on Public Charitable Institutions, to whom was referred the petition of Edward S. Tobey and others, for an appropriation in aid of the "Discharged Soldiers' Home," report the accompanying Resolve.

Per order,

E. H. KELLOGG,
For the Committee.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy.

R E S O L V E

In relation to the Inmates of the Discharged Soldiers' Home.

[Read and referred to Committee on Finance, April 26.]

Resolved, That the surgeon-general, William J. Dale, Joel Severns and Edward O. Shephard be a commission authorized and directed to transfer to the National Military Asylum for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Togus Springs, such of the inmates of the Discharged Soldiers' Home in the city of Boston, and such other discharged soldiers, as can be safely and humanely thus transferred; and that they be authorized to make provision for the care of such of the inmates as are in their judgment proper objects of the charity of the state in the said Discharged Soldiers' Home in Boston, the Massachusetts General Hospital or other proper places, excluding almshouses; and that there be allowed and paid to the said commissioners a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars in addition to the unexpended balance of the appropriation authorized by chapter sixty-two of the resolves of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and and the same is hereby appropriated, and said amount shall be paid to said commissioners, from time to time, in such sums as they shall certify to the governor and council to be needed for the above purposes: *provided*, that the inmates who have served in any Massachusetts regiments shall have the care here-

in provided for within the Commonwealth if they so desire, and all inmates in a sick and incurable state shall be located with a humane reference to their being near their homes and friends ; and *provided, also*, that the said commissioners shall make a quarter-yearly report of their doings and expenditures under this report to the board of state charities.

