

## HOUSE....No. 164.

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### Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 18, 1857.

The Committee on Public Charitable Institutions, to whom was referred the Report of the Commissioners and Trustees of State Hospital for Insane at Northampton, have considered the same, and report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

JAMES HOLLAND.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-  
Seven.

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### AN ACT

In addition to an Act establishing a Hospital for Insane  
in Western Massachusetts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-  
tives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of  
the same, as follows :—*

1    SECT. 1. The sum of fifty thousand dollars is  
2 hereby appropriated for the purpose of completing  
3 the hospital for insane in Western Massachusetts  
4 now being erected in Northampton, to be expended  
5 under the authority of the commissioners provided in  
6 the act to which this is in addition.

1    SECT. 2. The sum of forty-eight thousand and  
2 five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the

3 purpose of furnishing and providing for the occupancy  
4 of said hospital, to be expended under the authority  
5 of trustees provided in chapter two hundred and forty-  
6 seven of the acts of the year one thousand eight hun-  
7 dred and fifty-six.

1     SECT. 3. In order to provide the means to defray  
2 the expenses contemplated in the first and second sec-  
3 tions of this act, the treasurer is hereby empowered,  
4 under the direction of the governor, with the advice  
5 and consent of the council, to issue scrip or certificate  
6 of debt, in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth,  
7 and under his signature and the seal of the Common-  
8 wealth, to an amount not exceeding ninety-eight thou-  
9 sand and five hundred dollars, which may be expressed  
10 in the currency of Great Britain, and shall be payable  
11 to the holder thereof in London, bearing an interest  
12 of five per cent., payable semi-annually in London,  
13 on the first days of April and October, with war-  
14 rants for the interest attached thereto, signed by the  
15 treasurer, which scrip or certificate shall be redeem-  
16 able in London on the first day of April, one thou-  
17 sand eight hundred and seventy-seven, and shall be  
18 countersigned by the governor of the Commonwealth,  
19 and be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the  
20 Commonwealth for the redemption thereof. And the  
21 treasurer may, under the direction of the governor  
22 and council, dispose of any portion of said scrip at  
23 any price not less than its original par value.

1     SECT. 4. The treasurer, under the direction of the  
2 governor and council, may borrow, in anticipation of  
3 the issue of the scrip, authorized as above, of any of

4 the banks of this Commonwealth, or of any corpora-  
5 tions or individuals, such sums as may be necessary  
6 for any of the purposes of this act: *provided*, that the  
7 whole amount borrowed by authority hereof, and  
8 remaining unpaid, shall at no time exceed the amount  
9 of ninety-eight thousand and five hundred dollars.

1     SECT. 5. The commission provided in the act to  
2 which this in addition, shall terminate on the first day  
3 of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-  
4 seven.

1     SECT. 6. This act shall take effect from and after  
2 its passage.