

HOUSE....No. 226.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 6, 1857.

The Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the Petition of John Darling and others, also the Petition of Stephen Cole and others, praying to be set off from the town of Sutton and annexed to the town of Douglas, have considered the same, and report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

D. A. TITCOMB.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

AN ACT

To set off a part of the Town of Sutton, and annex the
same to the Town of Douglas.

*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. All that part of the town of Sutton, with
2 the inhabitants thereon, which lies southerly of the
3 following line, to wit: Beginning at a stone in the
4 line between Sutton and Douglas, at the north-west
5 corner of school district number thirteen, in said Sut-
6 ton; thence running north, fifty-two degrees and
7 thirty minutes east, two hundred and fifty-two rods,
8 to a stone and stones on the sand beach, so called;
9 thence north eighty-eight degrees east, five hundred

10 and fifty-two rods, to a stone and stones at the north-
11 east corner of school district number six, in said Sut-
12 ton ; thence south eighty-nine degrees and fifteen
13 minutes east, four hundred and fifty-one rods, to a
14 stone and stones on the west side of the road leading
15 from the house of Phineas Bartlett to South Sutton
16 meeting-house ; thence south seventy-eight degrees
17 east, about two hundred and thirty-eight rods to a stone
18 and stones in the boundary line between Sutton and
19 Northbridge, is hereby set off from said town of Sut-
20 ton and annexed to said town of Douglas.

• 1 SECT. 2. If any persons who have heretofore
2 gained a legal settlement in said town of Sutton by a
3 residence on said territory, or by having been proprie-
4 tors of any part thereof, or who may derive such set-
5 tlement from any such resident or proprietor, shall
6 come to want and stand in need of relief and support,
7 they shall be relieved and supported by said town of
8 Douglas in the same manner as if they had gained a
9 settlement in that town.

1 SECT. 3. The inhabitants and estates hereby set
2 off shall be liable to pay all taxes that have been
3 legally assessed on them by the town of Sutton, in
4 the same manner as if this act had not been passed ;
5 and until the next general valuation of estates in this
6 Commonwealth, the town of Douglas shall annually
7 pay over to the said town of Sutton, the proportion
8 of any state or county tax which said town of Sutton
9 may have to pay upon the inhabitants or estates
10 hereby set off ; and the town of Sutton shall pay
11 over, on or before the first day of January, A. D.

12 eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, to the treasurer of the
13 town of Douglas, the net proceeds of all taxes
14 assessed for town purposes for the year eighteen hun-
15 dred and fifty-seven, on the estates and inhabitants
16 hereby set off from the town of Sutton to the town
17 of Douglas.

1 SECT. 4. This act shall take effect from and after
2 its passage.