

HOUSE....No. 86.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 13th, 1850.

The Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the petition of Lorenzo G. Howe et al., praying to be set off from Dracut to Lowell, have considered the same, and report the accompanying Bill.

For the committee,

S. N. GIFFORD, *Chairman.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty.

AN ACT

To annex a part of the Town of Dracut to the City of Lowell.

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

1 SECT. 1. So much of the town of Dracut, in the
2 county of Middlesex, as is commonly called Central-
3 ville, thus bounded and described, to wit:—Begin-
4 ning at the thread of Merrimack River, near the foot
5 of Hunt's Falls, opposite the southeast corner of the
6 land of the Locks and Canals Company; thence
7 north, nineteen degrees and thirty minutes west, to
8 the margin of said river, at said southeast corner
9 bound; thence in the same course, northerly, three
10 thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven feet, to
11 the northerly side of the new county road, leading
12 from Lowell, in said county, to Methuen; thence
13 north, eighty-nine degrees west, five thousand two
14 hundred and seventy feet, to the margin of said river,
15 near the end of a wall, opposite the head or north

16 end of Long Island ; thence, in the same course, about
17 one hundred feet, to the end of said island ; thence
18 down said river, by the thread thereof, to the point
19 of beginning, with all the inhabitants on the lands
20 herein described, shall be, and the same hereby is,
21 set off and separated from said town of Dracut, and
22 annexed to and made a part of the city of Lowell,
23 in said county ; and that the same land, and the
24 inhabitants thereon, shall be deemed and consid-
25 ered as annexed to, and constituting a part of said
26 city of Lowell: *provided, however*, that said tract of
27 land and the inhabitants thereon, set off as afore-
28 said, shall be liable to pay all such taxes as are
29 already assessed on them, by said town of Dracut, in
30 the same manner as they would have been liable, if
31 this act had not passed: *and provided, further*, that
32 if any persons, who have a legal settlement in Dra-
33 cut, by residence on said territory, or by having been
34 proprietors of any part thereof, or who may derive
35 such settlement from any such resident or proprietor,
36 shall stand in need of relief or support as paupers,
37 they shall be relieved and supported by said city of
38 Lowell, in the same manner as if they had gained a
39 legal settlement in said city.

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

