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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 219

House of Representatives, Feb. 13, 1913.

Reported by Mr. Harper from Committee on Insane Hospitals, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital for storage house and cold storage plant, repairs on buildings C and E, washing machine for laundry fire mains and hydrants, and high pressure pump, accompanied by Statement of Facts.

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STATEMENT OF FACTS.

There is needed for the erection of storehouse and cold storage plant, \$26,000.00.

We are in urgent need of enlarged store-room facilities and of a cold storage plant. Plans have been drawn and estimates obtained for a building for these purposes adjacent to the kitchen and so arranged that it may form a part of a future building planned to provide for a congregate dining-room centrally located and to which the greater part of our patients can go for their meals. This will centralize the food service and be a material economical factor as well as provide additional room for patients by permitting the use as dormitories of several of the present ward dining-rooms. Two years hence, additional room for patients will be an imperative need and the increased accommodation can be economically provided in this way. The building for which we now ask is essential to the satisfactory working out of this plan.

There is needed for the repairs on buildings C and E, \$4,200. These wards are in a very unsanitary condition, due to faulty construction. The floors must be taken up and the screeds relayed in cement before relaying hard wood floors. The door frames must be reset and the entire ward renovated.

There is needed for a washing machine for the laundry, \$500. The increased work of the laundry demands the installation of an additional washing machine. The machines now in use have been in operation for several years and will have to be rebuilt this winter.

There is needed a fire pump and connections, \$1,400.

Also a fire main and 3 hydrants, 700 ft. 8-in. pipe, 900 ft. 6-in pipe, \$2,100.

Adequate fire protection can only be obtained by extension of the fire main from the Hogan road through the grounds of the hospital in the rear of the buildings with hydrants so located that they will afford protection to all of the hospital buildings. At present, there is but one hydrant on the grounds at the extreme west end of the hospital group and two hydrants on the Hogan road at the east, one near the tubercular building and the other several hundred feet away. A high pressure pump should also be installed in connection with the new pipe line and the stand pipes throughout the buildings.