

HOME FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

**Boston Man Will Build One on an Island
Leased from Harvard University.**

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BOSTON, Aug. 1.—A. C. Burrage has leased Bumkin's Island from Harvard University for 399 years, and will build a hospital on it and make it a free Summer home for the crippled children of Boston.

This act of philanthropy was suggested to Mr. Burrage about a year ago, when his son was injured in a football scrimmage and confined to the house for many weeks. Last year Mr. Burrage maintained sixteen crippled children at Point Allerton.

The island will be provided with wharves, the hospital will be surrounded by well-laid-out grounds, and fifty acres of land being available, it will be possible to provide for hundreds of little cripples there.

Bumkin's Island lies half way between Nantasket and Hingham, and about one and a quarter miles north of Hull. It was given to Harvard College by Samuel Ward, who was a friend of John Harvard. The terms of Ward's will were such that the land could not be sold outright. It has never previously been put to any use. Boston contractors have often made attempts to purchase it, but they were, of course, unable to do so. It was wanted because of the abundance of gravel it contains. Samuel Ward became the owner of the island through a grant from the British Crown.

The home for crippled children will be erected as soon as possible. The terms of the lease have not been divulged.

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