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THE NEW QUARANTINE – The Farson Place at Marcus Hook Recommended as a Site – The Lazaretto to Close – Marcus Hook People will be Likely to Make Vigorous Objections to the Location of the Quarantine Station near Tham, Although Some Favor It.

After an occupancy of nearly 100 years, the State Quarantine Service will on October 1 remove the Lazaretto from its present site on the Delaware River near Chester. The new location recommended by the Philadelphia Board of Health at its regular monthly meeting yesterday is situated at Marcus Hook, and is known as the "Farson Place."

It consists of about forty acres of land, with three houses and outbuildings, and is located at the water's edge. The deep water channel at this point runs close to the shore, though there will have to be a pier of about 150 feet, which could be constructed at a cost of about \$1000.

This site can be secured at an annual rental of \$1200, and in the estimation of the board it was considered the most eligible site, and a resolution was passed recommending it to Governor Hastings as the proper location for the new Lazaretto.

The Lazaretto, by the Bliss bill of 1893, was legislated out of existence from July 1, 1895, but an amendment to the bill was made during the last meeting of the Legislature saved the station by simply cancelling the lease on its present location.

The Lazaretto has occupied its present site since 1797, when it was leased from the city for the purpose it has since been used for at an annual rental of \$5000.

Marcus Hook people will be likely to make pretty forcible objections to having the station placed so near their gates. Some people, however, think its location there would bring business to the borough and might prove a good thing, but the great bulk of the sentiment will be against it.

The proposed station on the Farson property, it was stated this morning, will be used only as an inspection station, and not for hospital purposes.

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