



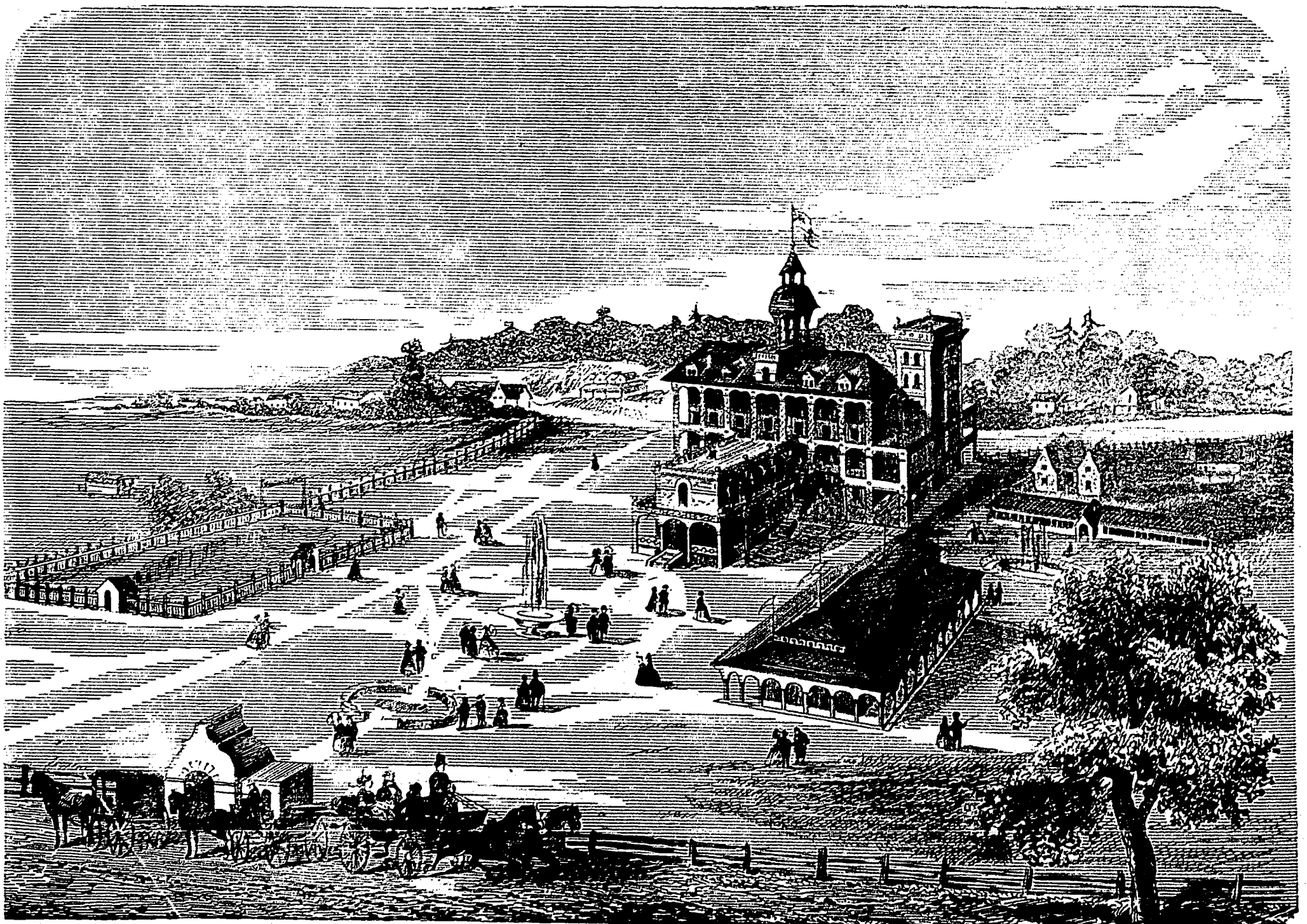
LUNATIC ASYLUM, LONDON, ONT.

In 1868 the Inspector of Asylums and Prisons for Ontario having reported in favour of additional Asylum accommodation for the western part of the Province, the legislature, at its ensuing session, voted an appropriation of \$100,000 for the erection of an Asylum at London. Plans having been prepared and submitted to contractors, the tender of Messrs. Hoyt and Strickland, of Brantford, for the sum of \$119,565.25, was accepted. The site chosen was the Hale farm, of 196 acres, situated on the Dundas road, a mile and a half east of the limits of the City of London. In addition to this one hundred

acres on the west side of the site were purchased, on which it is proposed to erect cottages for the accommodation of working patients. Possession was given to the contractors on the 28th May and the work proceeded during the whole of the summer. The whole of the foundations, including some additional mason work at the west side, have been completed, and the east and west wings have been covered in, the slating of the east wing being completed, and that of the west in progress.

The building, when finished, will consist of a centre building and two wings. The total length will be 610 feet, and the depth 210 feet from the front of the centre building to the rear of the extreme wings. The centre building will be four stories

high, its eastern and western portions being three stories in height. The wings will be two stories high. The building, which will be in the Elizabethan style, is to be of white brick, with cut-stone window-heads and sills. The brick is of London manufacture, and the stone is to be procured from Guelph or Georgetown. The roofs are to be covered with slate from the Melbourne quarries. A broad avenue will lead up from the lodge-gates on Dundas street, and the drive and walks will be continued around the building. The architect of the London Asylum is Mr. Kivas Tully, of Toronto. Our illustration depicts the building as it will appear when completed.



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