

A History
of
First Ward Cemetery
in
Syracuse, N.Y.
1829 - 1938
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Chapter I

A Brief History.

"Chestnut Park"

"Chestnut Park" as it is known today began its existence as the municipal cemetery of the old Village of Salina. This Village, founded in the late 18th century was in need almost immediately of a burial ground. The first place used for this purpose was located near what is now the intersection of Spring Street and Hiawatha Boulevard. This was about 1788. This location ceased to be used before 1794. In 1794 Mrs. Mary T. Gilcress was buried at a second burial plot. This plot was located at the present site of Washington Square. This was the "village green" of Salina. This place being deemed to close to the homes of the living, another site was chosen. It has been described as "further out upon a ridge over looking the salt lands". (block 40?) This location was soon abandoned and, in 1801 Sheldon Logan laid out a cemetery on what was then State land. (block 59) Bodies were removed to this location and burials continued here until 1829.

In 1829 an act of the legislature (Amending the act incorporating the village.) substituted another block for the purpose of a burial ground. (block 43) It was appraised on June 11, by Ashbell Kellogg, S. R. Mathews and Roger Bates (who was later buried there.), at \$325. The old cemetery was given up. It was subdivided and sold at auction. The condition of block 43 at the time may be ascertained by the fact that Richard Molony was paid around \$150 for clearing and grubbing (stump removal) on the lot to fit it for internments. The trustees of the village had the bodies from the old grounds moved to this location by Anson Richards. It took 21 days and cost \$26.25. The act also called for the Trustees to enclose the grounds with a "good and sufficient fence". This site came to be known as "Salina Cemetery", and later after Salina became a part of the city as "First Ward Cemetery" This cemetery was used from 1829 until it was closed by the city council March 18, 1912. The last burial was probably in 1909 according to some sources. Burials from the village of Syracuse were made here from 1819 to 1824 when a cemetery in Syracuse opened.

The cemetery appears to have been laid out as a square (one city block) divided into quarters. A path ran from each corner to the center. Thus creating four triangular areas. Two of these sections to the north and east were used for the burials of persons of the Catholic faith. The other two sections to the west and south was used by those of the various Protestant denominations. According to early Salina records, it contained 400 lots. Other records say 520. Of these, 54, in a separated section, were reserved "For Colored People". A few others were reserved for the poor. Many of the founders of Salina village were buried in this cemetery. Their bodies being removed to Oakwood in the 1870's. Then there was a space for strangers. It may be that the resolution against the burial of persons not residents arose from the use of the Salina graveyard for Syracusans, the rivalries between the two villages were such that it was said the only time some Syracusans ever went to Salina was when they died. A stone wall might have enclosed part of the cemetery for a time. A Common Council resolution of 1853, called for removing an "old" stone wall enclosing a portion of the cemetery. The stones were to be reused for paving a section of Salina Street. It also called for the construction of a "tight board fence 6 feet high". A white wooden picket fence around the burial ground was erected before the year 1908 as it was described by a visitor to the place as being in poor repair at that time. This fence or another was still around the grounds in 1922. The fence was removed by 1925. There was only one burial vault or crypt constructed here. It was built according to local historians by Michael Cahill (or Chaell). He was the Sexton of the cemetery before his death in 1848. When he began his work in

this capacity is unknown.

In the year 1911 there were suggestions that the site be cleared for a playground. The next year a request was made by some citizens to stop all burials at the site. They stated that many stones were missing and that new graves often brought up the bones of those buried earlier. They feared an outbreak of disease and thought the disturbance of the old burials disrespectful. In that year, 1912, the cemetery was closed. In November of that year it was spruced up by the city. Stones were reset and brush cleared. The city appears to have left the position of sexton vacant after about 1915. Care and maintenance began to slide. A 1922 Syracuse "Journal" article described regular acts of vandalism which took place at that time. Stones were knocked over and carried to the fence line. Some even being taken outside the grounds. Some were even said to have been taken "away". The city set about "restoring order" but did not repair or replace stones. In 1925 the city decided on a plan to remove all the stone markers to a central spot in the cemetery and bury them. Thus creating a mound on which they would plant flowers and erect a bronze tablet with the names of those buried at the site. About 200 stones were tossed into piles. After work was begun, a large angry outcry from the descendants and veterans groups caused the city to abandon the project. Ten years later in 1935 it was noted by some boys playing ball that there was an opening into the ground. (Some reports claimed the children fell into the opening.) The city parks department determined this to be the vault of the Cahill/Chaell family and filled it in with sand and cement. Things were only to get worse at First Ward.

The beginning of the end for the old burial ground came on September 9th, 1938. The day was a Friday and a 4 year old boy named Francis M. Thomas of 827 Lemoyne Avenue was in the cemetery playing. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Terry L. Thomas would lose their son that day. As it was reported in the press a large shaft of 400 pounds fell over and crushed young Francis to death. The Monday night after the funeral unknown persons took it upon themselves to topple as many stones as they could. It was assumed that they were out to prevent any further tragedies at the old burial ground. And, it is somewhat understandable that very little effort was used to find the persons responsible.

After this accident the city parks department began to remove all dangerous stones from there positions and make them safe by burying them on the plots. The site was then graded to even the surface. From this time onward, the cemetery took on the appearance of a park. It has been used as such since that time, although it is still technically a cemetery. This was evidenced by the decision of a judge that the city was not responsible for injuries suffered by children at play in the "park".

Chapter II

The Cemetery in the Local Press.

The following article appeared in the Syracuse "Herald" on December 6th, 1908. It is a truly wonderful account of what must have been a wonderful historical treasure in its day. It represents the only way to "visit" the old cemetery at the present time.

"Where The City's Founders Sleep."

By Thomas Alvord

"In a neglected little cemetery overlooking Onondaga lake, under headstones and monuments sunken and awry and in graves that can scarcely be distinguished from the general tangle of grass and shrubbery, lie the forefathers of Syracuse -- the men and women who a century and more ago, carved out the destinies of the village of Salina. Time has well nigh effaced the inscriptions of some of the forefathers tombstones, and the monuments of others lean at crazy angles (as if blown by a mighty wind) or have fallen prone upon the ground. The men who founded a city seem to have been forgotten.

A block away trolley cars hum past and the roar of the town, softened by distance, comes up to the little hillside. It's a typical village burying ground in urban settings. When many of the folk who people lay down there for the last sleep Syracuse was little more than a hamlet, and none could foresee its future greatness. Yet they sleep as well in a modern city as if the graveyard still lay on the outskirts of the hamlet where they spent their lives.

The First Ward cemetery it is called on the city map. It lies on a slight plateau bounded by Second and Third North streets, Bear and Center. A rough picket fence, the white paint of which has faded, hedges it in. A block away is Wolf street.

Their Rest Is Disturbed.

To look at the graves and the moss-covered stones one might imagine that the pioneers had rested quietly a century or more. Yet such is not the case. Thrice the rest of some of the older ones has been rudely disturbed. The first burying ground in Salina according to history, was near the intersection of Spring and Free streets. In 1794 that ceased to be used and a new burying ground was started on the land that is now Washington Park. The first burial made there was that of Mrs. Mary T. Gilchrist in 1794. In 1801 another change was made, the village cemetery being transferred to a plot in the rear of James Lynch's place and the bodies being moved there.

Later still block 29 * was used as the village graveyard and the bodies moved there from Washington Park. There they were permitted to lie in piece until 1829, when block 43, the present site, was made the burying ground and the bodies again moved. There they still rest among the graves of many modern folk, for burials are still made in the old cemetery and several freshly made graves are seen among the old mounds.

Catholics and Protestants Side by Side.

It was a cold, raw day when a representative of the Sunday Herald visited the old graveyard and the sodden sky lent an additional touch of bleakness to the scene. A careful examination of the cemetery soon developed a remarkable fact. Part of the plot is the resting place of Protestants, part that of Catholics. Probably there is not another cemetery where the two lie side by side. Yet the graves are not mingled. The Protestants rest in the southern and western part of the burying

ground, their Catholic brethren in the eastern and northern parts.

On the eastern boundary was found a rough mausoleum that led to the solution of this mystery. It is the only mausoleum in the cemetery. The tomb is built into the hillside, with an arched brick and stone entrance. Over the arch is piled earth, making a large mound. And this mound, fenced in with stone pillars linked with iron rods, is overgrown with a mass of shrubbery. Over the keystone of the arched entrance, a stone tablet bearing the letters "I.H.S." forms a background for a rusty cross of iron. At the left is a stone with this inscription:

*Erected to the Memory of
Michael Chaell
Born in the year 1786 in the
Parish of Temple Patrick,
County of West Meath, Ireland.
Died September 20th, 1848.
Also
To the Memory of
Bridgett, Wife of Michael Chaell,
Born in the year 1791 in the
Parish of Milestown, County of
Kildare, Ireland.
Love God above all things and Love
thy neighbor as thyself.*

The county histories appear to shed no light upon the identity of Michael Chaell of the solitary tomb, but through the kindness of Dr. Theresa Bannan who is collecting data for a sketch of early Catholic history of this county, his story was learned, and through it the story of how Protestants and Catholics came to lie side by side.

Michael Chaell was a cavalryman in the English army during the War of 1812. After the war he got as a bounty from the British government 100 acres of land in Canada. Tiring of that country, however, he came to this region soon afterward and became sexton of the cemetery. There was no Catholic church in Salina in the early days, the people of that faith being served by Jesuits and other missionaries until 1829. Therefore there was probably no consecrated Catholic burying ground, and that is how the people of two widely varying denominations came to be buried practically in the same plot.

Though Chaell was a cavalryman he fought in the naval battle of Plattsburg and he was measuring swords with an opponent in that engagement when retreat was sounded. The old village sexton was usually reticent, but at times when stirred by memories of his experiences in the war, he would go through brilliant sword play for the entertainment of guests. The old sword used to flash like lightning in his hands and, with eyes glowing, he went through the movements, for Chaell was a brilliant swordsman. He afterward gave the sword of 1812 to a compatriot, who carried it in the "Patriot War" in Canada. Chaell built his own mausoleum.

A Headstone With a Mystery.

In the Protestant side of the graveyard, however, was found a rude stone, the mystery of which is not so easily solved. It is nothing but a small boulder evidently picked up in a nearby field and hewn into a rough semblance of a headstone. It bears the following inscription:

Mrs. Gamble
Died December 17th, 1798

That is all. Who was Mrs. Gamble and what was her story? A careful search of the histories yields no answer. She lies among the dead of old Salina village without even her christian name or her date of birth on her monument. Perhaps those who buried her did know them. Nearby is the plot of the Brackett family and the square stone tomb of Ichabod Brackett, who died December 2d, 1831, and of Artemisia, his wife. The tombstone has sunken at one end and is askew in rather undignified fashion. A search of history shows that Ichabod Brachett was an early salt manufacturer and a shrewd merchant and shipper, who amassed the largest fortune of anyone in the village. He came to Salina about 1800.

Mrs. Carmen's Epitaph.

History tell's us nothing about Mary Sutton, wife of Henry Phillips, who's headstone shows she died in 1816, nor of Samuel E., son of Isreal and Nancy Underwood, who's death occured on June 16th, 1810. Nor is Susannah Carman (died October 25th, 1826) numbered among those whose deeds have been preserved, but a village poet has celebrated her on the stone in letters now almost indecipherable:

Slow waves the willow o'er the stone
That points where sleepeth mother
dear.
Oft have I sought the spot alone
To shed the filial tear.

The Brace family plot yields some interesting reminiscences. One stone bears this inscription:

David Brace
Born in Harrington, Litchfield
County, Conn.,
May 5th, 1784.
Died in Syracuse December 21st,
1864
A friend of the oppressed.

A Forest Mail Carrier.

David Brace though one of the men of early Salina, lived long enough to see a city grow up near the site of his frontier home. He was only ten years old, in 1794, he came to this county. For years he carried the mail on horseback from Salina to Oswego. There were then no roads, and the young mail carrier picked his way through the forests alive with Indians by means of blazed tree's. If one could talk with David Brace now what a story he might tell of pioneer adventures as Syracuse's earliest mail man. But David Brace is oblivious to anything as he lies by his wife's side in the stone tomb. Another grave in the plot is that of Mack, his son, who died March 8th, 1817.

Tennants of other nearby graves have recieved no mention in history for the part they played on the stage of old Salina. Among them are John Rich, who died in 1819; Mary Jane, wife of David Patterson, 1847; Mary, daughter of Elisha and Sarah Holmes, 1831; Harvey, son of Nathan and Hannah Whitney, 1819; Ladock Ingalls, 1820; Horace Foot, 1831; Ann Janette, wife of Horace Button, 1848. But Mrs. Button left behind her a rather gruesome inscription for her headstone:

My children dear, when this you see,
Know that you soon must follow me.

Two Quaint Inscriptions.

John Baxter, too, who died on July 29th, 1815, is unsung by historians, but those who have the patience to stoop down, push aside the grass from his stone and study out the almost obliterated lettering will be rewarded by the following curious verse:

Fair and blooming yesterday,
Now a loathsome corpse I lie,

*See how beauty fades away,
Oh! prepare, prepare to die.*

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On the headstone over the grave of Henry C. Holgate, son of Curtiss Holgate, who died in 1826, is engraved:

*His body sleeps
Beneath the sod.
His soul we hope,
Is with his God.*

Thus the elegist, hopeful, but not certain.

Work of Master Carver.

The tombstones erected in the early part of the nineteenth century, from 1800 until about 1820, are mostly engraved by what is unmistakably the same hand. The lettering is flowing and graceful. It stands out with distinction among the lambs and weeping willows of a somewhat later date and the ornate but vulgar splendors of marble and granite of even later days. The villager who then cut the names of the dead on the gravestones must have been a gentleman. His work is plain and dignified and the slight ornamentation which he allows himself as a background for the inscriptions is marked by a quiet delicacy that raises it almost to the height of art. The stone he used is of a fine grain and with a light brown tinge. Who he was nobody seems to know, but his work still stands out, fine and distinguished, on the stones the few persons nowadays take the trouble to seek out in the tangle of the old graveyard. His handiwork shows plainly in the following inscription:

*Sacred to the Memory of
Mrs. Polly Alvord.
Wife of Mr. Elisha Alvord.
Who Died October 30th, 1807.*

The Father of Salt Making.

Here is a grave of much historic interest. Elisha Alvord was practically the founder of modern salt manufacturing in Onondaga county. He came to Salina in 1794 and for years was numbered among the early salt makers. The State did not take over the salt lands until 1797. Prior to that time salt was made in the shanties thatched with bark and hewn slabs.

It was Elisha Alvord who erected the first large frame building for this industry. In it he placed eight "blocks," each with four sixty gallon kettles and ever since the salt boiler apparatus has born the name "salt blocks." In 1800 he became an officer of the malitia. He was a member of the commision appointed to build the first turnpike in the country. Harvey Alvord, who died in 1815, is intered nearby.

"A sinner saved by grace," is the quaint inscription on the tombstone of Julia Osborn, wife of Alfred Northam, history says, opened a law office in the vacinity in 1824.

Not far away is found the grave of William H. Clark, who died in 1832, aged 47 years. He was one of the village postmasters. In 1827 the anti-Masonic movement entered into politics with a bitterness that people of this day can scarcely understand. Mr. Clark, who had enrolled himself in the Masonic faction, was then postmaster. The anti-Masonic faction won in the elections, and Judge Earle, who was besieged with cries of "turn the rascals out." So William Clark was succeeded as postmaster by Erasmus Stone. Nearby is a little grave that tells a story. It is that of Charles L., son of William H. and Deborah Clark, drowned January 23d, 1835.

The First Village President.

Searching further in this vacinity the visitor will find the last resting place of Oris Curtis, who played a large part in early county history. He died January 23d, 1804, in his thirty-eighth year. Fisher Curtis, who died in 1831, is buried near him. Oris was Fisher Curtis's father. He came to Salina as early as 1795. He was town clerk in 1810 and was for a long time a partner of Elisha Alvord in a village store. The malitia records show that on March 3d, 1792, even before he moved to Salina, he was a lieutenant in the malitia of the western part of Herkimer (Including Onondaga county territory). Fisher Curtis was the first president of the village of Salina, the predecessor of all village presidents and city Mayors that have come since. He was one of the village incorporators in 1824. Also he was one of the early salt manufactures.

Is the span of life growing longer, with easier living and better sanitation? Many physicians and scientists have claimed that it is, and the inscriptions on the old tombstones seem to bear out the assertion. Dozens of those buried early in the nineteenth century, their monuments show, were under the age of 30 when they died. There is scarcely a grave who's occupant was more than 50. Many graves of mothers not past 30 are surrounded by mounds marking the last resting places of numerous sons and daughters.

The old village cemetery, though few know of it's existance, is well worth a visit.

* NOTE: A small note written in the margin of the photo copy of the article points to block 59 as the location of the cemetery at an earlier time.

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“Petition to Close the First Ward Cemetery”

“Residents of the First Ward, who had previously asked the bureau of health to take some action that would insure the cessation of burials in the old First Ward cemetery, filed a similar petition with the council yesterday afternoon. The petitioners set forth that victims of cholera and smallpox had been buried in Our old cemetery, that now nearly always when a grave is dug, human bones are brought to the surface from graves many years old, and that “in the interest of the health of the residents of the First Ward and in the interest of public decency and out of due regard for the dead” immediate action be taken to stop further burials and provide for suitable care of the cemetery. The petition was referred to the health committee of the council and Health Officer D. M. Totman on motion of Alderman Cawley. The petition was signed by nineteen residents of the north side.”

This article appeared in the Syracuse “Herald”, Feb. 27th 1912.

Desecration in First Ward Cemetery.

Detectives Are Detailed to Hunt Down Band of Desecrators.

1st Ward Cemetery

Declared to be One of the Oldest Burying Grounds in Syracuse.

Shocked at what he described as one of the most ruthless acts of vandalism that has ever been brought to his attention, Chief of Police Martin L. Cadin detailed several of his best detectives to hunt down a band of desecrators who have been systematically destroying grave markings in the old First Ward Cemetery in Bear st. between Second and Third North sts.. The vandalism has been going on for some time, complaints state.

Tomb stones and shafts have been overthrown or carried away and placed against the fence that surrounds the the old burying ground. Persons passing the cemetery thought at first in some way a storm had blown down the markers. When subsequent days revealed the stones were not only knocked down but a number of them had been carried outside the grounds, there was no doubt as to the cause.

The First Ward Cemetery is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, burying ground in Syracuse, according to the Rev. Dr. William M. Beauchamp , an authority on Indian and local history. Dr. Beauchamp, like many other Syracusans has members of his family buried there. **

Dr. Beauchamp said he believed the origin of First Ward Cemetery dates back to the beginning of Salina village when, as he expressed it, "Syracuse was not."

One of the oldest tombstones recorded in First Ward Cemetery, is that of Oris Curtis, dated Jan. 23, 1801.

Moses Averill is buried there, and his tomb stone bears the date of 1811. One of the more recent ones was that of Dicletian Alvord, dated 1868. John Baxter, was buried there in 1815, and Caroline Wheeler, wife of Thomas Wheeler, was buried in 1810. Wheeler himself lived until 1862, dying at the age of 81 years.

In recalling the earlier days of the cemetery, Dr. Beauchamp said the streets around it were named "Bear, Wolf and Turtle," taken from the three principle tribes* of the Iroquois Indians.

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* There are notes written on the original correcting the word "tribes" with the word "clans".

** There are question marks after this line written in pen.

This article appeared in the Syracuse "Journal" on Wednesday Dec. 6, 1922.
It was accompanied by photo's of tomb stones in stacks and on the ground.

First Ward Vault May Hold Body of Sexton, Once Sailor

Dr. Bannan's Book Throws Light on Identity of Occupants of Mausoleum, Recently Reclosed.

Grass is growing again over the filled-in vault in the First Ward Cemetery, but interest in who lies buried there continues to provide a topic of conversation for old residents of that section of the city.

One tradition has been that it was the burial place of an English sea captain.

Investigation leads to the belief the graves that are now unmarked may be those of Michael Cahill, his wife, Bridget, and their son, John.

The vault was discovered by boys chasing a ball. It dropped through a hole in the ground, and examination of the hole showed it to be the opening into a vault or mausoleum. Men of the park department filled it.

The late Dr. Theresa Bannan, who made a study of local history and wrote "Pioneer Irish of Onondaga," casts light on the discussion in her book.

Cahill Was Sexton

She says, "Michael Cahill was sexton of the old cemetery, and used his spare time in constructing a mausoleum for himself. It is the only one in the cemetery, and received all that was mortal of Michael, his wife, and his son, John, who served in the civil war. The inscription spells the name as it is pronounced, Chaell".

The inscription, as copied in 1908, was as follows:

"Erected to the memory of Michael Chaell, born in the year 1786 in the parish of Temple Patrick, county of West Meath, Ireland, Died September 20, 1848. "Also, "To the memory of Bridget, wife of Michael Chaell, born in the year 1791 in the parish of Milestone, county of Kildare, Ireland. "Love God above all things and love thy neighbor as thyself."

Served in British Navy

Cahill or Chaell served in the British navy and was granted land in Canada, which may have led to the story told later that he was an Englishman. He had been in the British cavalry, but there was more fighting on ships than on horses in the war of 1812, and Cahill didn't ride a horse in the battle of Lake Champlain. He did have a sword.

Altho he was granted 100 acres in Canada, Cahill left his land and in 1833 was found at Salina, a part of Syracuse that is now the First ward. He had his sword. There were occasions when he took it out and demonstrated the hand to hand engagement with an opponent he was having when the fighting ended.

It was on September 11, 1814, that this naval battle was fought in Plattsburg bay, Lake Champlain, when a fleet under Commodore Thomas Macdonough defeated the British and when Cahill's sword was used for the losing cause.

Fatality Revives Cemetery Reform.

Proposal to Level Off Crumbling Headstones Again Urged Following Crushing of Francis Thomas, Aged 4.

An almost forgotten proposal to level off crumbling headstones of graves in the old First ward cemetery that failed more than 15 years ago because of objections made by plot owners was revived today through indignation of residents in that area of the city over the death of 4-year-old Francis Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry L. Thomas of 827 Lemoyne av., beneath a stone that toppled upon him Friday.

The move was given impetus by the fact that many other stone grave markers in the cemetery already have fallen.

BOY HURT LAST YEAR

The Journal learned today that another youngster, Lawrence Eddy Jr., of 813 Lemoyne av. was injured in the cemetery last year in a similar accident in which a headstone fell. He narrowly escaped the Thomas boy's fate. Young Eddy suffered a severe scalp laceration that required seven stitches to close, when doctors gave him first aid.

Residents of the area about the cemetery, which is bounded by Lemoyne ave., Grant blvd., Second North and Turtle sts., said today that the heavy tombstones have fallen or been pushed over by children playing in the graveyard on numerous occasions. The practice of the workmen who cut grass in the cemetery, however, has been to replace the stones on their crumbling pedestals without use of fresh concrete to keep them from falling again, it was said.

CONSTANT MENACE

Such heavy stones that can be tipped over by the weight of a child's body or a mere push are regarded by parents as a constant menace to children living in the vicinity of the graveyard. The Journal learned today, and agitation was started to bury the hazardous markers in the graves they mark, as was proposed during the administration of Mayor John H. Walrath back in 1925.

At the time the proposal to remove the dangerous stones were made, Commissioner of Parks William A. Barry recalled today, strenuous objection came from owners of plots in the old burying ground, which is no longer used, and which reverted to the city around the turn of the century.

"It was known, of course, that the monuments were in a terrible condition in the First Ward cemetery at that time," Commissioner Barry told The Journal, "and the city wanted to bury the stones, but the objections of the plot owners proved too overwhelming to contest. Hence the stones were replaced whenever they tipped."

APPROVES PLAN

Commissioner Barry approves renewal of the proposal to bury the stone markers. He pointed out that children going into the cemetery to play actually were trespassing, but concerning extent

of the city's responsibility for the death of the Thomas boy he would not comment.

"We have a similar problem in the old Rose Hill and Lodi cemeteries," he said "but not quite as serious as exists in the First Ward cemetery."

Possibility of use of the old cemetery as a city park has long been considered the commissioner said, but a technicality in the will of the original owner of the cemetery land exists, whereby use of the ground for anything else but a cemetery would revert the property to his heirs.

UP TO DESCENDANTS.

"All of the original plot owners in the cemetery are dead as well as their children. I'm quite sure," the commissioner said, "and a decision to lower the gravestones would rest probably with their grandchildren or great-grandchildren now."

Instances in which graves have caved in the old burying place were recalled by the commissioner, including one accident in which several children plunged into the graves of an old sea captain and his wife when the topsoil gave way beneath them several years ago.

Coroner William R. Winne today issued a verdict of accidental death in the case of the Thomas boy, who suffered a depressed fracture of the skull when the grave marker, weighing between 300 and 400 pounds fell upon him. The youngster leaves his parents, three sisters, Marion, Dorothy and Maude Thomas; a brother Linus Thomas and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Scism of Newburgh.

Rev. Walter Vail Watson of the First Ward Presbyterian Church will conduct funeral services at 3 p. m. tomorrow at the establishment of Delaney and Hodge, East Syracuse funeral directors, and burial will take place at Collamer.

Syracuse "Journal" Saturday, September 10, 1938.

NOTE; The statements in the above article to the effect that the cemetery reverted to the city at the turn of the century or if it were used as a park, to some original owner, are inaccurate. The property was owned by the state before being acquired as a cemetery for Salina in 1829, and became a property of the city of Syracuse when Salina merged with Syracuse in 1848.

Head Stones in Old Cemetery Tipped Over After Boy's Death, City Would Develop It as Park

Four-year-old Francis M. Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry L. Thomas of 827 Lemoyne ave., was killed last Friday when a monument fell upon him in old First Ward cemetery, and his funeral was held Sunday. During the night of the day following his funeral, persons went into the cemetery and toppled nearly all of the remaining stones that could be tipped over, supposedly to prevent other boys being hurt or killed.

No one knows who did it except those who toppled the stones, so far as can be found out, but little effort is being made to determine who the persons were. It has been put down as the work of boys, but there is a suspicion it was not boys' work.

The cemetery is bounded by Grant blvd., Lemoyne ave., Bear st. and Second North st. It was the burying ground of the early settlers of the village of Salina of all religious denominations, and in it are the graves of soldiers of the revolution.

WORK DISCONTINUED

In 1925 work of removing the stones was begun, but there was such a protest from descendants of the Salina pioneers that the stones were replaced. Without a fence around it, the cemetery became a playground for boys of the neighborhood, and stones kept toppling, while now and then a boy was hurt.

Sentiment seems to have become settled after the death of the Thomas boy there last Friday, and it would appear that persons went into the cemetery Monday night, systematically tipping over all stones that might have endangered other boys. On Tuesday morning between 30 and 40 stones were scattered on the grass.

Then William A. Barry, commissioner of parks and as such caretaker of the old cemetery, put men at work restoring order, but not replacing stones.

Tops of remaining monuments which might have toppled were taken down and placed on the graves at the bases of the monuments. Those which had been topped over Monday night were placed on graves in the same way. The work still is going on.

BURY THE STONES

"What we would like to do," said Commissioner Barry yesterday, "is to bury all stones in the graves and then beautify the whole cemetery, at the same time landscaping it to prevent games being played in it. This could be done by planting trees and shrubs, making flower beds and placing walks thru it."

It may depend upon the sentiment of those whose ancestors are buried there. The 1925 plan called for placing all stones in a group in the center of the cemetery, covering them with earth to create a mound and have flowers on that, at the same time placing a monument there with a bronze tablet giving the names of all persons known to be buried there. A fairly complete record made by Rev. Dr. William M. Beauchamp, is in the public library.

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Chapter III

First Ward Cemetery's Veterans.

There were undoubtedly veterans buried at First Ward Cemetery. Its years of operation encompassed a period of almost 100 years. Many conflicts occurred during that time. At this time the only known veterans buried at First Ward are those listed below. It is very likely that there were others. An article in the Syracuse Newspapers on December 4, 1925 said that photographs were taken of the stones of "many" members of the "G.A.R." and veterans of the "Revolution". Another article, on December 6th, says that among the stones moved and broken by the city that year were, "Veterans of the Revolution" "War of 1812" and "the Civil War". This list is of veterans known to be and *believed* by the author to be buried at First Ward.

1. Samuel Danforth (c1762 - 1845) Revolutionary War

He is mentioned by Beauchamp in "Revolutionary Soldiers"
His wife is buried here.

2. Asa Foot (bef.1748 - 1828) Revolutionary War

He is mentioned by Beauchamp in "Revolutionary Soldiers"
His wife is buried here.

3. Jeremiah Jackson Jr. (1760 - aft.1820) Revolutionary War

He is mentioned by Beauchamp in "Revolutionary Soldiers"
His wife is buried here.

4. Moses Averill (1765 - 1811) Revolutionary War

He is mentioned by the DAR in 1931 "Herald" article.

5. Ichabod Brackett (1741 - 1824) Revolutionary War

He is mentioned by the DAR in 1931 "Herald" article.
Many family members are buried here.

6. William Kellog (1756 - 1819) Revolutionary War

He is mentioned by the DAR in 1931 "Herald" article.

7. Joseph/Josiah Richmond (1747 - 1821)

Revolutionary War

This may be the same man mentioned by the DAR in 1931 (Joseph), and by Beauchamp in "Revolutionary Soldiers" (Josiah).

8. Henry Phillip Bents (c1783 - 1868)

War of 1812

His name appears to have been shortened from "Usenbents".

9. Capt.? Michael Mead (c1781 - 1849)

War of 1812

He may have led a company from Onondaga County.

10. Maj. Junia Curtis (1774 - 1831)

War of 1812

Born c1774, came from Chenengo Co., N.Y., son of John Curtis (Torrington, Conn.), married 2nd? Nancy daughter of John and Rhoda (Titus) Mead of Dutchess Co., N.Y., was a cousin of Lt. Oris Curtis.

11. Lt. Oris Curtis (c1766 - c1804)

NY State Militia

Born c1766, came from Framington, Conn., son of Sylvanus and Jemima (Norton) Curtis, Pioneer of Salina in 1795, Merchant and Manufacturer.

12. Michael (Chaell) Cahill (1786 - 1848) (British Sailor/Soldier)

War of 1812

Said to have fought on the British side at Lake Champlain. He was the Sexton of First Ward Cemetery.

13. John (Chaell) Cahill

U. S. Civil War

The son of Michael (Chaell) Cahill.

14. George Jaquin (1823 - 1883)

U. S. Civil War

Co. B 86th Reg. N. Y. V.

Chapter IV

The Sextons.

An attempt has been made to ascertain the names of those who's job it was to care for the village burying ground. The position was filled by the Common Council, who appointed a person to perform the duties of Sexton. At this time five names have come to light. They may or may not be all of those who filled the position.

Below is a list of those men and their approximate times of service.

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| 1. Michael Cahill (Chaell) | He may have been the first to fill the position. He constructed the only mosoleum in First Ward Cem.. He served before 1848 when he died. (He may have been the one to construct the stone wall taken down in 1853.) |
| 2. James Kehoe | Possibly the second. He was said to be a "Sexton" on the U.S. Federal Census. He lived one block from the cemetery, at 3rd. North and Wolf St. |
| 3. George W. Arnold | He resigned the office of Sexton in 1862. |
| 4. Mathew Ryan | The Common Council appointed him to replace George W. Arnold in the fall of 1862. |
| 5. Timothy Flood | Appointed Sexton of First Ward in March of 1893. He was said to be Sexton for "many years" at his death. His term ended a few years before 1900 when he died. He may have been the last to hold the position. |

It appears that the position may have been left vacant for some time before 1908. (Possibly since the term of Mr. Flood ended prior to 1900) The grounds are described as overgrown and disorganized at that time. Burials were still taking place as late as 1909. A newspaper article in 1925 says the position was vacant for about 10 years and the grounds were in near chaos.

The following article was noted in the Syracuse "Standard" on July 12, 1859;

First Ward Cemetery

Formal charges prefered against it's sexton by common council June 11. He was found drunk in partially dug grave when a funeral arrived. He was charged with intoxication and neglect of duty.

The Com. on cemeteries given power to employ a Sexton temporarilly until charges were investigated.

This article appeared in the Syracuse "Journal" on September 9, 1862;

"First Ward Sexton"

"Mr. George W. Arnold having resigned the office of Sexton of the First Ward Cemetery, the Common Council has appointed Mr. Mathew Ryan as such Sexton."

Chapter V

Tombstone Inscriptions.

Tombstone Inscriptions

This is a list of internments gathered together from all available sources found by the author. These include, the notes of the Rev. Dr. William M. Beauchamp as well as articles and obituaries from various Syracuse newspapers concerning the cemetery over the years.

Adkins, Allis d. Apr. 21, 1856(?), ae. 8m 2d, ch/o L. & Ellen
Adkins, Joseph d. Sept. 15, 1853, ae. 11m, s/o L. & Ellen
Alger, Elijah b. Mar. 4, 1809 d. June 23, 1881
Alger, Samuel M. d. Aug. 13, 1846, ae. 29y 15d
Alvord, Dean d. Apr. 31, 1855, ae. 26-1-19, s/o Dioclesian & Sarah
Alvord, Dioclesian d. Mar. 10, 1868, ae. 92-1-2
Alvord, Harvey d. June 4, 1815, in 20th yr., s/o T. G. & K.
Alvord, Kezia (Orvis) d. Aug. 28, 1837, ae. 66, w/o Thos. M.
Alvord, Maria (O'Neil) d. June 27, 1847, ae. 19-5-17, w/o James H.
Alvord, Olive d. June. 12, 1853, ae. 35-3-14, w/o Horace.
Alvord, P.B.A., 1807-1808, d/o Elisha & Polly "A smiling infant this world has lost."
Alvord, Polly (Bush) d. Oct. 30, 1807, ae. 21" yr., w/o Elisha
Alvord, Sarah (Wheeler) b. Mass. d. Sept. 7, 1863, ae. 71, 2nd w/o Dioclesian
Alvord, Sophia (Huntington) d. Jan. 25, 1866, ae. 48-3-16, w/o Horace
Arard, Anthony d. Aug. 23, 1817, ae. 39-0-20
Arnts, infant d. Aug. 14, 1847, ch/o J. M. & Susan
Arnts, Julius M. d. Mar. 6, 1878, ae. 66-8-16
Arnts, Mary E. d. Mar. 3, 1847, ae. 11m 3d, d/o J. M. & Susan
Averill, Moses d. Oct. 4, 1811, in 46" yr. "Blessed are the Dead, Who die in the Lord"
(Rev. Veteran.)
Avery, Eliza d. Sept. 2, 1836, ae. 17-11-21, d/o Wm. & Eunice
Babcock, Abby A. (Ayer) d. Nov. 9, 1879, ae. 57y, w/o John P.
Babcock, John P. d. Nov. 18, 1872, ae. 70y 6m.
Babcock, Lucy (Crary) d. Oct. 18, 1867, ae. 86-4-3, w/o Stanton P.
Babcock, (Dea.) Stanton Prentice d. Apr. 3, 1857, ae. 78-3-23
Bacheller, Benjamin Brown Dec. 10, 1782-June. 12, 1856 "B. in Royalston, Mass."
Backer, Andrew 1845-1910
Bailey, Margaret d. May 8, 1886, ae. 67, w/o Thomas
Bailey, Thomas d. June 11, 1862, ae. 51
Bainbridge, Elizabeth d. July 21, 1846, ae. 61, w/o John
Bainbridge, John d. Dec. 15, 1848, ae. 59
Ball, Thaddius d. Jan. 15, 1813 in 47" yr.
Ballsley, Giles d. Nov. 20, 1816, ae. 5y 6m, s/o Wm. & R.
Barlow, Nathaniel d. Aug. 10, 1832, ae. 66
Barry, William P. d. Aug. 6, 1831, ae. 21
Bates, Deodamia d. Mar. 3, 1867, ae. 67, w/o Roger
Bates, Roger d. Mar. 3, 1849, ae. 56

Baxter, John d. July 29, 1815 in 26" yr.
Beach, Allen T. d. Apr. 12, 1837, ae. 25
Beach, Almira M. d. Nov. 19, 1865, ae. 53y 3m
Beach, Angelina d. Sept. 20, 1839, ae. 31
Beach, Roxana d. Apr. 8, 1832 in 26" yr., w/o John R.
Benjamin, Wm. Henry d. Aug. 29, 1864, ae. 2y 2m, s/o Hervey & Sally
Bents, Henry Philip d. Sept. 11, 1868, ae. 84y 11m "Our mother's brother, a soldier of 1812" (on Usenbents monument)
Bibbens, Henry S. d. Dec. 9, 1848, ae. 48
Bibbens, Julia d. Oct. 8, 1867, ae. 53
Bibbins, Lucia Ann d. Oct. 8, 1836, ae. 30-1-26, w/o Daniel Bibbins (stone next to Arden Eaton)
Blakesley, see also Starr
Blakesley, Enos d. Nov. 2, 1818 in 43" yr.
Blakesley, Eunice (Alvord) d. Sept. 8, 1840 in 62" yr., w/o Enos
Brace, Anna b. Mar. 22, 1822 d. Apr. 30, 1900, d/o David & Sarah
Brace, David b. May 5, 1784 d. Dec. 21, 1864 "From Harwinton, CT" (Newspaper story from 6/12/1908 says b. Harrington, Litchfield Co, Conn.)
Brace, Edward d. Sept. 19, 1825, ae. 14m, s/o David & Sarah
Brace, John d. May 23, 1829, ae. 15m, s/o David & Sarah
Brace, Mark d. Mar. 8, 1817, ae. 11m, s/o David & Sarah
Brace, Sarah b. Mar. 18, 1797 d. May 7, 1887, w/o David (from Yorktown, Westchester, NY)
Brace, Sarah M. d. Nov. 2, 1829, ae. 13 yrs., d/o David & Sarah
Brackett, Artemissia (Waterhouse) d. Sept. 22, 1834, ae. 52, w/o Ichabod, Jr.
Brackett, Artemissia Hungerford d. Sept. 22, 1834, ae. 14 (adopted dau.)
Brackett, Hilton W. d. Aug. 21, 1811, ae. 3-9-7, s/o Ichabod & Artemissia
Brackett, Hunter C. d. Sept. 2, 1811, ae. 11m, s/o Edward H. H. & Mary A.
Brackett, Ichabod, Jr. d. Dec. 2, 1831, ae. 55 (Early Salt Manufacturer and Merchant.)
Brackett, Ichabod, Sen. d. Jan. 1824, ae. 83 (Rev. Veteran.)
Brackett, John Hilton d. Oct. 6, 1841, ae. 2y 7m, s/o Cyril H. & Ann Eliza
Brackett, Lucian d. Oct. 17, 1815, ae. 9m, s/o Ichabod & Artemissia
Brackett, Marsha d. July 1827
Brackett, Mary H. d. Sept. 23, 1827, ae. 13-7-6, d/o Ichabod & Artemissia
Brackett, Mary Hilton d. 1822, ae. 74
Brackett, Simeon d. Sept. 20, 1828, ae. 58
Brackett, Sylvia d. July 2, 1812, ae. 2m, d/o Edward H. H. & Mary A.
Brackett, William W. d. June 28, 1845, ae. 24y 9m, s/o Ichabod & Artemissia
Brackett, William W. d. Apr. 13, 1839, ae. ?, s/o Edward H. H. & Mary A.
Bragg, James Sidney d. May 25, 1907 (From his Obit in the Syracuse "Post Standard", 5/27/1907)
Breed, Frances C. d. Aug. 4, 1842, ae. 6m 9d, d/o A. P. & Julia Ann (on Curtis lot)
Brewster, Maria d. Aug. 1, 1852, ae. 52y 5m, w/o Morris T.
Brewster, Morris T. d. Apr. 16, 1829, ae. 36y 9m.
Bridgeford, Sarah A. b. Jan. 14, 1841 d. May 10, 1866, w/o Wilkins (on Wm. Gilbert lot)

Britton, Annzenette d. Mar. 14, 1848, ae. 27-10-10
Brooks, Martha M., d. Mar. 12, 1904, Ae. 88-21d, d/o E.+M. Jordan (Death Certificate indicates burial at "1st Ward Cemetery")
Brower, Elizabeth 1855-1868
Brower, Irving 1857-1868
Brower, Mary Brace 1830-1891 "mother"
Brown, Fanny P. d. July 22, 1860, ae. 71, w/o James
Brown, James d. Feb. 13, 1840, ae. 63
Brown, (*See Nell's*)
Bulkley, Giles d. Nov. 20, 1816, ae. 5y 6m, s/o Wm. & R.
Bulkley, Lydia d. Sept. 19, 1807 ae. 10m, 13d, d/o E. & Ann
Bulkley, Susan d. June 7, 1847, ae. 22-5-24, w/o James
Busby, Maria d. May 31, 1845, ae. 40-8-1 (see Van Tassel)
Butler, Linos d. Mar. 21, 1857, ae. 68y 9m
Button, Ann Janette d. 1848 Wife of Horace.
Byington, Benajah d. Feb. 18, 1854 in 83" yr.
Cahill, (*See Chaell*)
Campbell, Ann d. Nov. 11, 1855, ae. 19
Campbell, Mary d. Aug. 3, 1854, ae. 25
Campbell, Mary A(nn) Elizabeth d. Apr. 30, 1856, ae. 26, (d/o James C. & Elizabeth, "A native of Lewes, Sussex)
Campbell, Sarah E. d. Sept. 2, 1836, ae. 17-11-21
Carman, Susannah d, 1818 in Syracuse.(Newspaper story from 6/12/1908 says d. Oct. 25, 1826)
Chaell, Bridgett b. 1791 Milestown Parish, Kildare Co., Ireland.
Chaell, (Cahill?) John, Vet. of the Civil War. (Newspaper story from 8/25/1935 says he is buried with his parents in the Chaell Family vault. It was built by Michael Chaell and was the only vault in the cemetery. His father was the sexton at the cemetery.)(Prob. buried after 1908 as he was not mentioned with his parents at that time.)
Chaell, Michael b.1786 Temple Patrick Parish, West Meath Co., Ireland. d. Sept. 20th, 1848.
Chidester, Lillie B. 1861-1879
Chidester, Mary E. Coughnet 1842-1909, w/o William?
Cholet, George d. Sept. 25, 1861, ae. 67y 4m
Cholet, Joseph d. Oct. 26, 1859, ae. 25-3-22
Cholet, Julius d. July 8, 1860, ae. 18-6-9, s/o G. & C.
Clark, Carrie Annah d. Sept. 20, 1859, ae. 3-10-29, d/o Lonson & Angeline
Clark, Charles L. drowned Jan. 23, 1835, ae. 6y 8m, s/o Wm. H. & Deborah
Clark, Elizabeth (Giles) b. Sept. 13, 1785 d. Jan. 21, 1851, sis/o Charles Giles
Clark, James (b. Nov. 20, 1765) d. Oct. 7, 1839 ae. 73y-10m-17d (Rev. Veteran.)
Clark, Lonson d. June 6, 1860, ae. 33-3-2, d/o Lonson & Angeline

Clark, Sarah (Crane) d. May 2, 1855, ae. 81-11-6, (3rd) w/o James
Clark, William H. d. Sept. 1, 1832, ae. 47, s/o James
Cokley, Mariah d. Aug. 27, 1826, ae. 26-0-7, w/o Cornelius
Cole, Allen d. Sept. 30, 1865, ae. 57
Congdon, Albert C. d. Sept. 28, 1880, ae. 75-0-15
Congdon, Arglemenia d. Sept. 1, 1889, ae. 78-6-11, w/o Albert B.
Congdon, Lucinda d. Aug. 17, 1847, ae. 65, w/o Oliver C.
Congdon, Oliver C. d. Mar. 10, 1835, ae. 58
Congdon, see Kellogg
Conklin, ____ d. 1818, ae...(stone broken), s/o Henry
Connor, William d. Jan. 9, 1853, ae. 19
Cooney, Bridget d. June 16, 1848, ae. 48, w/o Patrick
Cooney, Patrick d. Mar. 4, 1863, ae. 60y 14d.
Corp, Roxy d. Oct. 23, 1818, ae. 63
Coughnet, Daniel 1812-1855
Coughnet, Mary E. 1842-1909, w/o William
Coughnet, Susan M. 1814-1874, w/o Daniel
Crane, Alden S. d. Oct. 2, 1848, ae. 37
Crane, Delia F. d. Aug. 1, 1849, ae. 30, wid./o John R.
Crane, Fanny Clary d. Aug. 15, 1837, ae. 9m, d/o Hunter & Maria
Crane, William R. d. 1831, ae. 6m, s/o William R.
Crane, see Clark.
Crary, Francis d. Aug. 11, 1833 in 18" yr.
Crippen, Clarissa d. Sept. 15, 1847, ae. 35y 11m, w/o A.
Crippin, Julia Ann L. (b. 16 Oct. 1840 d. 4 June 1913), w/o A.
Curtis, see also West
Curtis, Caroline d. Sept. 3, 1828, ae. 1, d/o Fisher & Susan
Curtis, Catherine d. Oct. 14, 1846, ae. 21, d/o Fisher & Susan
Curtis, Fisher d. Apr. 27, 1831, ae. 51 (Newspaper story from 1908 says "son of Oris" and first Pres. of Salina.)
Curtis, Fisher, Jr. d. Feb. 1, 1826, ae. 1, s/o Fisher & Susan
Curtis, (Major) Junia d. Mar. 10, 1831, ae. 57 (Curt is family of Torrington, Conn.) (War of 1812 Vet.)
Curtis, Nancy d. Mar. 20, 1832, ae. 60, w/o Junia
Curtis, Nelson d. Aug. 5, 1820, ae. 1y 2m, s/o Fisher & Susan
Curtis, Oris d. Jan. 23, 1801, in 38" yr. (Newspaper story from 6/12/1908 says 1804 and article from 1922 says 1801.)(1804 more likely)
Danforth, (Mrs.) Margt. d. Dec. 24, 1845, w/o Samuel
Danforth, Samuel d. 1845 (in Salina Village, his wife died it appears the same year and was buried at First Ward. He is likely here as well.) (He was Dep. Sheriff + Rev. Vet.)
Daniels, (Dr.) J. W. d. Feb. 26, 1849, ae. 59

Daniels, Nancy d. May 31, 1828, ae. 30, w/o J. W.
Davis, Joel P. d. Dec. 16, 1816, ae. 45 (on House lot)
Dear, Aaron d. May 21, 1858, ae. 64-7-5
Dear, Amos d. May 21, 1849, ae. 22-4-28
Dear, Hannah d. Dec. 29, 1854, ae. 59-9-4
Divoux, Joseph d. July 7, 1864, ae. 68
Divoux, Mary Ann d. Jan. 21, 1880, ae. 80, w/o Joseph
Drumma, Enos d. Nov. 25, 1839, ae. 6m 5d, s/o Joseph A. & Sarah J.
Drumma, Joseph A. d. Sept. 4, 1885, ae. 68-10-6
Drumma, Sarah Jane, d. Aug. 16, 1874, ae. 59-1-6, w/o Joseph A.
Dunn, Catherine d. Oct. 6, 1886, ae. 80, w/o Martin
Dunn, Martin d. Jan. 31, 1873, ae. 82
Easterly, George d. Mar. 31, 1871, ae. 31y-9m
Easterly, Magdalena d. Aug. 8, 1899 ae. 88-4-20, w/o George
Eaton, see also Bibbins.
Eaton, Abby d. Sept. 11, 1862, ae. 23-11-27
Eaton, Arden d. Aug. 17, 1858, ae. 80y 7m ("B. in Castleton, Vt.)
Eaton, Asahel W. d. Feb. 13, 1893, ae. 75
Eaton, Clarissa d. June 10, 1893, ae. 85, w/o Asahel
Eaton, Henry W. d. Feb. 17, 1837, ae. 9m 11d
Eaton, Margaret d. Sept. 29, 1879, ae. 82-1-3, w/o Roswell
Eaton, Mary H. d. Oct. 21, 1850, ae. 48, w/o Asahel
Eaton, Roswell d. Aug. 11, 1863, ae. 67-6-21
Eaton, Sarah (Combs) b. Dec. 17, 1782 d. Oct. 4, 1843, w/o Arden
Edinger, Peter d. Jan. 2, 1881, ae. 21-8-10
Farrell, see Tobin
Field, Albert W. d. June 23, 1836, ae. 82-2-13
Field, Juliet M. d. Mar. 17, 1826 ae. 16y 12d, d/o A. F. & C.
Fink, Louisa b. Jan. 8, 1864 d. Aug. 3, 1865, d/o August & Louisa
Fitz-Gerald, Margaret d. May 21, 1834, ae. 23, w/o Thos. "Mother"? (on Kendrick lot)
Flack, Martha d. July 16, 1832, ae. 41 d. in Lisbon, NY
Flack, Robert d. Mar. 9, 1857, ae. 66
Foot, Asa d. 1828 (at Salina Village. His wife was buried here two years after he died.
He was likely already buried at First Ward.)(Rev. Vet.)
Foot, Amelia d. Nov. 21, 1831, ae. 48y 5m, w/o Asa (He was a Rev War Vet., d. 1828 at
Salina, NY)
Foot, Horace d. Feb. 8, 1838, ae. 36
Forcet, Thomas Hardy d. May 8, 1830, ae. 51
Foster, see Sadler.
Freeman, Sharlott M. d. Oct. 4, 1844, ae. 32, w/o Harvey W.
Gamble, Mrs. died Dec. 17, 1798 (This stone still existing in 2005.) Oldest Stone in

Cemetery

Gane, George B. Sept. 13, 1822-Apr. 26, 1884
Geanorot, John d. May 17, 1867, ae. 67-0-12
Gehm, Catherine d. 1863, ae. 67, w/o Jacob
Gehm, Jacob d. Jan. 13, 1883, ae. 84
Gehring, Fredrick d. Aug. 17, 1908 aged 80 yrs. (from his Obit. In the "Post Standard"
Aug 18th)(His son in law was a Klink)
Gilbert, Daniel d. Aug. 1, 1825/35? ae. 47-11-25
Gilbert, Daniel d. Apr. 16, 1830, ae. 1, s/o Daniel & Harriet
Gilbert, Elizabeth B. June 27, 1816, d. Dec. 23, 1888, w/o William D.
Gilbert, Eunice d. Nov. 15, 1838, ae. 48, w/o Libbeus
Gilbert, Hannah (Gosworth)? d. Sept. 3, 1853, ae. 75, w/o Thaddeus
Gilbert, Herman C. W. d. May 15, 1835, ae. 20
Gilbert, Thaddeus d. Aug. 16, 1839 in 62" yr.
Gilbert, see Bridgeford
Gilbert, William D. Oct. 5, 1812, d. Jan. 17, 1885
Giles, (Rev.) Charles d. Aug. 30, 1867, ae. 84y 6m. (Early Methodist Circuit Rider.
Founder of First Ward Methodist Church.) (This stone still existing in 1999.)
Giles, Charles S. Apr. 28, 1811-Nov. 18, 1853
Giles, see Clark.
Gillchres, Almena (Williams) d. Oct. 6, 1839 ae. 45-0-17, w/o Ira A.
Gillchres, Ira A. d. Feb. 8, 1873, ae. 82-4-23 (Said to be first white born in Onondaga
County.)
Gilchrist, Mary T. d. 1794. Likely no stone. Moved from Washington Square.
Goodrich, Eliza (Morse) 1800-1848, w/o Hezekiah
Goodrich, Hezekiah 1790-1870
Gordon, Belinda d. Aug. 10, 1879 in 77" yr., w/o Johnson
Gordon, Johnson d. Aug. 1, 1843, ae. 42
Green, Sarah d. Apr. 23, 1826 in 68" yr., w/o Peleg
Greiner, Catharine d. Oct. 16, 1857, ae. 63y 6m, w/o Jacob
Griffin, Mrs. Zada d. Sept. 6, 1832, ae. 28-8-6, w/o Rhesa
Grumbach, Mary J. d. Jan. 2, 1855, ae. 9-11-13, d/o N. & E.
Grumbach, Nicholas d. Oct. 25, 1851, ae. 49-5-9
Hall, Harriet d. June 29, 1887, ae. 67
Hammond, Anson d. Sept. 23, 1834, ae. 44-6-29
Hanley, Mary Emma d. Apr. 7, 1895, ae. 37, w/o Patrick, d-i-l/o Thomas
Hanley, Thomas b. Apr. 7, 1806 d. Apr. 8, 1896
Hardee, Edward d. Aug. 12, 1864, ae. 88
Hardy, James d. Jan. 17, 1839, ae. 45
Harroune, Mrs. Calista d. Feb. 10, 1855, ae. 54-6-2, w/o Sylvester
Harroune, Charlotte d. Oct. 15, 1863, ae. 32, w/o Hiram

Hartnick, Jacob d. Dec. 19, 1874, ae. 70
Hartnick, Katharina d. Feb. 28, 1883, ae. 78, w/o Jacob
Haskins, Caroline Eliza d. Mar. 31, 1845, ae. 24-10, w/o James P.
Hathaway, Harriet d. Aug. 17, 1854, ae. 10, d/o H.+E.
Hathaway, Joseph d. Sept. 22, 1843, ae. 5-4-25, s/o H. & E.
Hempstead, Elias D. 1851-1906 (Lived on the lower half of 4rth North Street.)
Herrick, Ransom (or Remsen) d. Sept. 17, 1831, ae. 27
Hills, Martha d. Feb. 10, 1870, ae. 73
Hoehn, see Meyer
Holcomb, Charles b. Apr. 18, 1808 d. Sept. 21, 1831, s/o Chas. & Mary
Holcomb, William H. d. Sept. 15, 1828, ae. 17, s/o Chas. & Mary
Holgate, Darwin C. d. Mar. 6, 1826, ae. 9-1-16, s/o Curtis
Holgate, George C. d. Mar. 18, 1825, ae. 9-4-18, s/o Curtis
Holgate, Henry C. d. Apr. 9, 1826, ae. 8 son of Curtiss
Holmes, Mary d. July 30, 1831, ae. 32, d/o Elijah & Sarah
Homan, Orange d. July 20, 1830 in 25" yr., (1st h/o Nancy Herrick)
Hopper, John d. Dec. 13, 1859, ae. 66
House, Abel 1796-1836
House, Deborah S. 1798-1834, w/o Abel
Hunt, Charles d. July 25, 1844, ae. 3m 15d, s/o George & Eleanor ,
Hunt, Dennis d. July 15, 1840, ae. 11m 15d, s/o Dennis & Frances
Hunt, George d. Mar. 9, 1876, ae. 69
Hunt, John H. d. Dec. 18, 1839, ae. 4m, s/o George & Eleanor
Hunt, Michael d. Aug. 22, 1832, ae. 1-1-4, s/o Dennis & Frances
Hunt, Peter d. June 29, 1834, ae. 3d, s/o Dennis & Frances
Husperger, John d. Apr. 20, 1856, ae. 79
Ingalls, Ladock d. 1820
Jackson, James d. Dec. 13, 1848, ae. 80-7-1
Jackson, Jeremiah Jr. (d. after 1820 and probably buried here with his wife.) (a Rev. Pensioner.)
Jackson, Sally (Lamphere) d. July 29, 1851, ae. 85-3-23, w/o Jeremiah Jackson
Jaeckel(?), Jacob d. Dec. 2, 1860, ae. 60
Jaeckel(?), Philippina d. Sept. 9, 1875, ae. 74-8-9, w/o Jacob
Jaquin, George d. Oct. 23, 1883, ae. 60 (Co. B 86" Regt. N.Y.V.)
Jenkins, D. W. G. 1830-____
Jenkins, Phebe W. Briggs 1837-1875, w/o D. W. G. (may be a "Briggs")
Johnson, Ashley P. 1824-1886
Johnson, Mary A. d. Mar. 5, 1846, ae. 22, w/o James
Johnson, Oscar d. June 22, 1836, ae. 3m, s/o W. & J. (on Wheeler lot)
Johnson, Susan E. d. Dec. 26, 1855, ae. 29 w/o Ashley
Keffer, Margaret d. Aug. 22, 1853, ae. 35, w/o T. S.

Keffer, Sarah d. Aug. 30, 1853, ae. 9d, d/o T. S. & Margaret
Kellogg, Emma Congdon d. Aug. 24, 1883, ae. 47-9-7
Kellogg, William d. Mar. 21, 1819, ae. 63 (Rev. War Veteran.)
Kelsen, Christina 1830-1911, w/o Jacob (Sax monument)
Kelsen, Jacob d. Apr. 27, 1852, ae. 55y 11m
Kempton, Calvin d. Nov. 20, 1865, ae. 42
Kendrick, Mary d. Mar. 4, 1844, ae. 23, w/o Thomas
Kendrick, see Fitzgerald.
Ketcham, Jeremiah d. Mar. 20, 1850, ae. 55 (Tombstone broken/defaced)
Kilely, Elizabeth M. d. June 13, 1862, ae. 59, w/o Isaac J.
Kilely, William H. d. Oct. 16, 1864, ae. 25, s/o Isaac J. & Elizabeth M.
Killian, Elizabeth d. Oct. 1851, ae. ?-10-19, d/o B. & J.
Killmar, Oscar d. 1839, s/o Abram & Amanda
Killmer, Selinda d. Sept. 9, 1839, ae. 17, d/o Nathan & Minerva
Klink, Adam, Sen. d. Aug. 1, 1857, ae. 65
Klink, Catherine Gehm d. 1863, ae. 67, w/o Adam, Sen.
Klink, Elizabeth d. July 20, 1897, w/o Peter, Jr. (d. 1891)
Klink, Jacob d. Aug. 19, 1852, ae. 25y 6m
Klink, Lucile M. d. Mar. 23, 1902 age 1 yr. dau. of Mr. + Mrs. Frank Klink (from her
Obit. In the "Post Standard" Mar. 24th)
Klink, Peter, Sen. d. July 27, 1872, ae. 61-9-11
Klink, Peter d. Nov. 17, 1891, ae. 51
Klink, Philipine d. Oct. 5, 1858, ae. 42, w/o Peter (d. 1872)
Klink, (*See Gehring*)
Lamphere, see Jackson
La Grange, Henry July 15, 1822-Jan. 12, 1892
Lederman, Catherine d. Nov. 2, 1852, ae. 43y 10m, w/o Michael
Lederman, Michael d. Apr. 20, 1857, ae. 51-7-17
Legg, James E. Feb. 23, 1893-____
Legg, William Mar. 23, 1891-Mar. 18, 1893
Letterman, see Schmelyle
Levene, Peter d. Aug. 26, 1849, ae. 28y 3m
Leyns, Eliza d. July 21, 1827
Leyns, Horace d. Apr. 23, 1862, ae. 13-1-7
Lines, Dr. John d. Mar. 15, 1846, ae. ?-16-11
Lloyd, George J. d. Apr. 16, 1891, ae. 78
Lloyd, Josephine d. Aug. 6, 1888, ae. 65, w/o George J.
Loomis, Mrs. Tabitha d. Nov. 1, 1863, ae. 61-8-21
Louis, Rebecca d. Nov. 17, 1846, ae. 59y 7m
Louer, see Phillips
Luther, Albert d. Nov. 23, 1839(?) ae. 6m, s/o David & Martha

Luther, Constant d. Nov. 21, 1830, ae. 34 "mother"
Luther, David d. Feb. 10, 1875, ae. 73-4-12
Luther, Edwin M. d. Oct. 7, 1817, ae. 2y 6m
Luther, Frances (obliterated) (May be from earlier cemetery site.)
Luther, Henry N. d. Feb. 19, 1811, ae. 9?m
Luther, Jennie d. Aug. 6, 1853, ae. 17-2-20
Luther, Martha d. Mar. 21, 1858, ae. 52, w/o David
Luther, Willard d. Feb. 12, 1858, ae. 9y 5m, s/o David & Martha
Lynch, Sarah d. Sept. 4, 1857, ae. 23, w/o Joseph, Jr.
Mahoney, Mary d. Dec. 21, 1833, ae. 13y 3m
Mahoney, Michael d. Apr. 20, 1848, ae. 1y 10m
Mang, John Jacob d. Dec. 16, 1842, ae. 84 b. in Germany (see Alvord gen. 173)
Mastin, Mabel (Hazel?)d. Oct. 14, 1845, ae. 70
Mathews, Joseph July 16, 1800-Dec. 10, 1819
McCann, Martha Dana d. Aug 3, 1905 (from her Obit. In the "Post Standard" Aug. 4th)
McCarthy, infant (no date) (May be from earlier cemetery.) c/o T.+P.
McCarthy, James d. Apr. 13, 1826, ae. 9 weeks c/o T.+P.
McCarthy, Percy (Soule) d. Jan. 11, 1848, ae. 48, w/o Thomas
McCarthy, Thomas d. Jan. 30, 1849, ae. 61 (at St. Augustine, Fla.)
McCarthy, Thomas, Jr. d. Oct. 1, 1821, ae. 13m c/o T.+P.
McDonald, Bridget d. Aug. 2, 1855, ae. 65, w/o Edward
McKinley, Robert d. May 13, 1858, ae. 66y 6m
McMahon, Bridget d. Aug. 1842, ae. 42, w/o John
McMahon, John d. July 7, 1846, ae. 49
McSwayne, Edmund d. Feb. 10, 1829, ae. 59
McSwayne, Elizabeth d. Oct. 3 (5?), 1839, ae. 74, w/o Edmund (mother of Thos. McCarthy) (May be Elizabeth Stack McCarthy McSwayne/McSweeney)
Mead, Dolly d. July 10, 1854, ae. 76, w/o Michael
Mead, John d. Mar. 2, 1889, ae. 78
Mead, Michael d. Nov. 5, 1849, ae. 68 Soldier 1812
Merrill, David d. June 5, 1850, ae. 71
Merrill, David D. d. Dec. 27, 1812, ae. 6y 10m
Meyer, Caroline d. Mar. 6, 1856, ae. 1-0-8, d/o Frederick & Margaret
Meyer, Frederick b. Sept. 7, 1833 d. Aug. 19, 1872
Meyer, Margaret Hoehn d. Sept. 20, 1897, ae. 69, w/o Frederick
Meyer, Mary Libbie d. May 26, 1866, ae. 9y 8m, d/o Frederick & Margaret
Meyer, Regina d. Dec. 28, 1853, ae. 33, w/o Philip
Milbern, Henry G. d. Jan. 17, 1905 (from his Obit. In the "Post Standard" Jan. 18th)
Miller, George W. d. 1839
Miller, Helen Tuttle 1838-1895, w/o George W.
Miller, Thomas d. Aug. 7, 1851, ae. 65y 6m

Monnier, infant dau of Beleistan & Mary d. Aug. 8, 1858
Morell, Rosalie d. Feb. 1, 1856, ae. 42y 21d, w/o Fred
Mylgrane, Augusta A. d. Jan. 22, 1871, ae. 57y 9m
Nell's, Mrs. Julia A. (Brown) d. Aug. 21, 1908 w/o Augustus (from her Obit. In the "Post Standard" Aug. 1908)
Nell's, (*See Brown*)
Newton, Horace d. June 10, 1863, ae. 2y 4m, s/o O. C. & Mary
Newton, Marion d. June 22, 1843, ae. 18y 5m, d/o Voltarie & Roxey
Newton, Voltaire d. Oct. 26, 1862, ae. 71-7-3
Noble, Emalo A. d. Feb. 23, 1858, infant d/o John C. & Persinda
Noble, Hester V. d. Dec. 12, 1866, ae. 2y 6m, d/o J. C. & P. H.
Noble, John C. d. June 9, 1873, ae. 45
Noble, John Franklin d. Apr. 2, 1868, ae. 7y 7m, s/o John C. & Persinda
Noble, Lizetta F. d. Aug. 22, 1859, ae. 2y 6m, d/o J. C. & P. H.
Noble, Persinda Hoskins d. June 5, 1873, ae. 44
Northam, Mrs. Julia Osborne d. Nov. 12, 1832, in 40" yr., w/o Alfred
Nott, Edward R. b. Nov. 13, 1782 d. Apr. 4, 1843
Nott, George W. s/o C. A. & M.
Nott, infant ch/o C. A. & M.
Nott, John d. Dec. 10, 1822 in 47th yr.
Nott, Mahlon, s/o C. A. & M.
Nott, Mary d/o C. A. & M.
Nott, Orvis, s/o C. A. & M.
O'Boyle, James d. Nov. 7, 1908 infant son of Mr. + Mrs. Thomas O'Boyle (from his Obit. In the "Post Standard" Nov. 1908)
O'Mara, Margaret d. 1862, ae. 1y 4m, d/o H. & M.
O'Mara, Mary Powers d. Oct. 15, 1881, ae. 39, w/o Hugh
O'Mara, Walter d. 1863, ae. 9d, s/o H. & M.
Pangburn, Susana d. Apr. 24, 1838, ae. 79
Parsons, Hanson d. Jan. 25, 1813, in 36" yr., s/o Capt. Jacob
Patterson, Louisa d. Jan. 19, 1812 in 34" yr.
Patterson, Mary Jane d. 1847 wife of David.
Pattison, Jane d. Jan. 8, 1857, ae. 75, w/o John
Pattison, John d. Aug. 10, 1847, ae. 65
Pearl, Arad May 7, 1812-May 9, 1865
Pearl, Sophronia Aug. 21, 1819-Apr. 11, 1890, w/o Arad
Peck, Esther d. Sept. 15, 1831, ae. 4-6-10, d/o J. & A.
Peck, Harriet d. Jan. 7, 1846, ae. 4-4-21, d/o J. & A.
Percinda, Emala A. d. Feb. 23, 1858
Percinda, Lizetta T. d. Aug. 22, 1859, ae. 2y 6m
Perkins, Julia A. 1833-1900

Perkins, Martha M. d. Sept. 11, 1847, ae. 22, d/o Erastus B. & Sally
Pero, Francis d. June 28, 1880 ae. 59 erected by his widow, Mary
Phillips, Betsy Louer 1814-1892, w/o Nelson
Phillips, Jane d. May 20, 1840, ae. 68y 6m
Phillips, Mrs. Mary Sutton d. Oct. 27, 1846, ae. 58-9-5, (w/o Henry) (Newspaper account from 6/12/1908 says's d. 1816.)
Phillips, Mary E. 1838-1861, d/o Nelson & Betsy
Phillips, Nelson 1813-1903
Phillips, Olive L. 1846-1857, d/o Nelson & Betsy
Pierce, Almer d. Dec. 1, 1861, ae. 14-3-26, s/o Almer & Celia
Pierce, Almira d. Dec. 1, 1861, ae. 14
Pierce, Joseph E. d. July 21, 1862, ae. 41
Pinney, Charles G. d. Nov. 4, 1851, ae. 26
Plaisted, Clarissa d. Jan. 14, 1857, ae. 53, w/o Hiram
Plaisted, Mrs. Magdalena d. Nov. 28, 1860, in 26" yr. (w/o David)
Poppo, Ellen d. Sept. 10, 1813, ae. 16m, d/o Wm. & Susan
Poppo, William d. Apr. 1, 1850, ae. 40
Porter, Rupert d. Jan. 15, 1812, ae. 2y
Powers, Mrs. Mary d. May 15, 1811, ae. 35
Powers, (Husband of above, stone broken and illegible.)
Powers, see O'Mara
Prudhon, D. Sue d. Sept. 3, 1858, ae. 63
Prudhon, Ferdinand N. d. Mar. 29, 1869, ae. 9-5-3, s/o Napoleon & Josephine
Purdue, Henry d. Apr. 15, 1833, ae. 3, s/o Henry + Mary
Prendergast, Philip d. Nov. 8, 1856, ae. 64 "from the parish of Cloyne, Co. Cork,
Erected by his dau. Mary"
Ramsey, Charles d. Apr. 7, 1857, ae. 14-9-17, s/o David and Jane
Randall, Charlotte d. Aug. 18, 1849, ae. 24, w/o George
Reach, John d. Nov. 3, 1865, ae. 30
Redhead, Elizabeth d. Feb. 28, 1869, ae. 84
Remaw, Elizabeth b. Sept. 24, 1824 d. June 7, 1892, w/o W. H.
Remaw, William H. d. Aug. 9, 1900 aged 56 yrs, 3 mths, 16 days. (from his Obit in the "Post Standard", Aug. 10th)
Remmige, John G. d. June 19, 1870, ae. 85y 3m
Remmige, Leana d. May 13, 1861, ae. 71y 4m, w/o George
Rice, Caroline d. Aug. 9, 1883, ae. 87y 5m, w/o Ebenezer
Rice, Ebenezer d. June 25, 1845, ae. 49-10-4
Rice, James J. d. Apr. 9, 1838, ae. 47
Rice, Laura W. d. Dec. 20, 1853, ae. 59, w/o James J.
Rich, John d. Aug. 15, 1819, ae. 42
Rich, Nathan d. 1819? (stone broken)

Richmond, Anson d. Sept. 23, 1834, ae. 44-6-29
Richmond, Joseph/Josiah dates prob. 1747-1821, (DAR said he was buried here in an article in the "Syracuse Herald", 6/28/1931.)(See also Beauchamp's "Revolutionary Soldiers") (Prob. One man.)
Richmond, Rachel d. Apr. 20, 1827 in 45" yr., w/o Hathaway
Riley, Philip d. 1822, ae. 52
Riley, Sarah d. Aug. 30, 1832, ae. 56, w/o Philip
Riley, Thomas d. Nov. 8, 1857, ae. 60
Rosche, Jacob d. Feb. 2, 1872, ae. 39-1-12
Rosier, Mrs. Mary d. Aug. 18, 1902 aged 79yrs. (from her Obit. In the "Post Standard" Aug. 19th)
Roushe, George W. d. May 19, 1910 age 30 (from his Obit in the "Post Standard" May 1910)
Sabine, Frances d. June 25, 1865, ae. 68, w/o John
Sabine, James b. Jan. 13, 1814 d. Jan. 1, 1874
Sabine, John d. May 27, 1865, ae. 78
Sabine, Sarah b. Oct. 21, 1808 d. Aug. 15, 1862
Sadler, Catherine E. (Foster) 1833-1905, w/o Isaac W.
Sadler, Frank A. d. Jan. 2, 1857, ae. 1-4-23
Sadler, Isaac W. d. Nov. 7, 1862, ae. 31-1-12
Sammons, Daphne d. Apr. 17, 1869 in 73" yr, w/o Thomas
Sawyer, Lucy d. Jan. 9, 1838, ae. 53, w/o Jonathan
Sawyer, Maria d. Sept. 20, 1844, ae. 33-7-16, w/o A. O.
Sax, Henry 1808-1872
Sax, Louisa 1818-1894, w/o Henry
Sayles, Mrs. Elizabeth d. Dec. 11, 1859, ae. 56 (w/o Isaiah)
Schmelyle, Henrietta Letterman 1864-1896
Seibel, Mary d. Dec. 15, 1879, in 72" yr., w/o Peter
Seibel, Peter d. Sept. 12, 1863 in 59" yr.
Shanahan, David 1893-1898, son
Shanahan, Thomas d. Aug. 12, 1841, ae. 24
Shaw, Ellen d. Feb. 25, 1873, ae. 69, w/o Joseph
Soule, see McCarthy
Spencer, Milton d. Dec. 16, 1900 (from his Obit. In the "Post Standard" Dec. 7th)
Spring, Arthur d. Mar. 13, 1876, ae. 83
Spring, Elizabeth d. Aug. 31, 1854, ae. 49, w/o Arthur
Smith, Sarah Elizabeth d. Feb. 6, 1834, ae. 3m, d/o J. W. & Elizabeth
Squier, John, Jr. d. Nov. 25, 1847, ae. 31
Squire, Betsy d. Aug. 28, 1839, ae. 17-1-8, d/o David & Aurilla
Starr, Emma C. d. Sept. 5, 1836, ae. 21, w/o Seth H. (on Blakesley lot)
Stevens, Ellen K. d. Nov. 13, 1856, ae. 20-8-27, w/o John B. (may be a Castle?)
Sutton, see Phillips
Swaney, Charles p. d. Aug. 23, 1852, ae. 2y 10m

Swaney, Elizabeth d. Apr. 25, 1847, ae. 57, w/o John
Swaney, John d. Mar. 23, 1858, ae. 91
Swaney, John C. d. Feb. 1, 1818, ae. 10m.
Thayer, Ellen E. d. Dec. 24, 1847, ae. 19-4-7, w/o David P.
Timmerman, George d. Feb. 3, 1856 (1836?), ae. 81
Tobin, Johanna Farrell d. July 18, 1858, ae. 28, w/o Michael
Tremain, Pamela M. d. Sept. 8, 1855, ae. 23y
Turo, Abraham (Boyd's city directory for 1902 say's "Turo, Abram d. 6/21/1901, age 56, First Ward Cemetery, 8** Center." But, he is listed as interred at Woodlawn Cemetery 22/June/1902. It seems unlikely he was ever at First Ward.)
Turo, Chester (From records of Woodlawn Cemetery, b. 1882 d. 18 Jan 1884, removed to Woodlawn and interred April 25, 1889. "from First Ward")
Turo, Frederick d. Nov. 14, 1846, ae. 38
Turo, Julia E. d. Nov. 19, 1882, ae. 9m, d/o F. + J.E.
Tuttle, see Miller
Underwood, Samuel E., d June 16th 1810 son of Israel and Nancy Underwood
Usenbents, see also Bents
Usenbents, Agnes Maria d. Sept. 5, 1831, ae. 55, w/o Christian
Usenbents, Christian d. Jan. 12, 1832, ae. 65
Van Tassel, Wm. Busby d. Nov. 9, 1840, ae. 11m, s/o Truman & Jerusha (next to Maria Busby)
Van Valkenburgh, Ann d. Feb. 3, 1884, ae. 79-2-7
Van Vleek, Warren G. d. Aug. 14, 1829, ae. 10m.
Warren, ____ d. Sept. 30, 1850, ae. 29-11-7, s/o W. R. N. & E. (stone broken)
Weis, Frederick d. Feb. 8, 1885, ae. 88-6-1
Weis, Mary E. d. Feb. 16, 1876, ae. 74-1-14, w/o Frederick
Welch, Mary d. Aug. 14, 1859, ae. 52
West, Fisher Curtis d. May 18, 1824, ae. 1, s/o Isham & Hannah (see Curtiss)
West, Hannah d. July 29, 1820, ae. 2, d/o Isham & Hannah (on Curtis lot) see Clayton's Onondaga, p. 81
Wheeler, Abel d. Jan. 26, 1833, ae. 41y 6m
Wheeler, Adeline d. July 8, 1827, ae. 1y 12m, d/o Nathan & Eliza
Wheeler, Caroline d. Nov. 3, 1810, (ae. 20?), w/o Thomas
Wheeler, Daniel d. Oct. 11, 1847, ae. 51
Wheeler, Fanny E. d. Sept. 6, 1818, ae. 15m-23d, d/o Abel & Aurelia
Wheeler, Lucy P. d. Feb. 16, 1840, ae. 17y 10m, d/o Abel & Aurelia
Wheeler, Lydia d. Mar. 1, 1836, ae. 33, w/o Daniel
Wheeler, Nathaniel d. Sept. 20, 1829, ae. 41
Wheeler, Roena d. May 3, 1829, ae. 34, w/o A. J.
Wheeler, Ruth H. d. Aug. 16, 1814, ae. 1y 8m, d/o Abel & Aurelia
Wheeler, Samantha d. June 5, 1852, ae. 40
Wheeler, Thomas d. Mar. 30, 1862 age 81-10-9 years.
Wheeler, William d. Aug. 20, 1820, ae. 1-4-22, s/o Nathan & Eliza

Whitmore, David d. Sept. 1, 1834, in 22nd yr.
Whitmore, William B. d. Apr. 8, 1861, ae. 52y 5m
Whitney, Harvey d. Dec. 6, 1819, ae. 26-11-22, s/o Nathan & Hannah
Wicks, John B. d. Sept. 4, 1844, ae. 54
Williams, Helen R. d. Aug. 14, 1882, ae. 37, w/o George M. (possibly related to
Gilchress family.)
Williams, Lucy d. Nov. 26, 1839, ae. 56, w/o Paul
Williams, see Gilchres.
Willis, Abby M. d. Aug. 18, 1817, ae. 63, w idow of William
Wilson, James d. Jan. 17, 1840, ae. 51
Wilson, Michael d. Dec. 26, 1840, ae. 36, erected by widow, Mary
Wilson, Thomas d. Mar. 30, 1862, in 47" yr.
Wilson, Thomas d. July 16, 1837 in 47" yr.
Woodruff, Bathsheba d. Mar. 2, 1879, ae. 77-1-6, w/o John
Woodruff, John d. Dec. 15, 1874, ae. 78y 8m
Zimmerman, George d. Feb. 3, 1856, ae. 84, (see Timmerman, poss. dupl.)

Chapter VI

Plot Owners List

History of First Ward Cemetery.

FIRST	WARD	CEMETERY	
Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
1	J. Busby	34	A. Richmond
2		35	Jno. Richmond
3		36	E. Phillips
4	P. Meyer	37	A. Van <i>Treck</i>
5	.	38	
6	Jno. Turbit	39	
7	Thos. Turbit	40	A. <i>Shares</i>
8	Nelson Phillips	41	
9	.	42	<u>Russel</u>
10	D. Brace	43	A. Mason
11	D. Brace	44	J. Mathews
12	J. M. Arnts	45	R. Parks
13	.	46	H. Foot
14	S. D. Satterly	47	A. Foot
15	J. F. Ryder	48	Asa Foot
16	A. Wheeler	49	
17	W. Kirkpatrick	50	
18	R. Williams	51	N. Tubbs
19	.	52	
20	R. H.H. Easton	53	C. Field
21	A. Dear	54	Jas. Clark
22	J. O'Dee	55	Ira Wheeler
23	A. Woodruff	56	W. Avery
24	A. Wheeler	57	
25	R. Amstead	58	D. K. Smith
26	J. Brackett	59	S. Gilbert
27	J. Brackett	60	H. Phillips
28	J. Nicholson	61	J. Russel
29	J. Harroun	62	J. Fisk
30	.	63	S.J. Devoe
31	Jacob Walter	64	N. Wood
32	A. Giffort	65	H.W. Warnick
33	A. Richmond	66	C.E. Smith
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Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
67	N. Burnham	100	L. Clary
68	S. Smith	101	J.R. Beach
69	J.W. Daniels	102	W.H. Beach
70	S. P. Smith	103	F.C. Smith
71	Aaron Barlow	104	Smith
72	J. Sabin	105	
73	W. Gilchrist	106	
74	J.A. Gilchrist	107	B. Haynes
75	J. Woodruff	108	S. Clark
76	P. Burnham	109	E. Wheeler
77	P. Riley	110	J. Wellman
78		111	D. Merrill
79	W. Sabins	112	A. Rump
80	W. Whitmore	113	J. Bunce
81	C. Rand	114	C.A. Holbrook
82	J.S. Brown	115	F.C. Earll
83	S. Carpenter	116	J. West
84	J. Hufte	117	P. Cooney
85	M Kain	118	C. Woodruff
86	A. Cole	119	T. Wilson
87	A.S. Ball	120	D. Dear
88		121	A.C. Griswold
89	B. Barlow	122	C. Usenbents
90		123	H. Van <i>Trek</i>
<u>91</u>	<u>W.B. Abbott</u>	<u>124</u>	<u>E.R. Nott</u>
<u>92</u>	<u>J.S. Babcock</u>	<u>125</u>	
<u>93</u>	<u>S.P. Babcock</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>I. Wales</u>
<u>94</u>	.	<u>127</u>	<u>R. Bates</u>
<u>95</u>	<u>A. Whitmore</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>G. O'Blennes</u>
<u>96</u>	<u>F.A. Hoffman</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>E. Alger</u>
<u>97</u>	<u>D.P. Plaisted</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>A. Yelverton</u>
<u>98</u>	.	<u>131</u>	<u>H. Hathaway</u>
<u>99</u>	<u>G. Chalet</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>J.C. Campbell</u>
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Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
133	H. Harroun	166	K. Alvord
134	S. Harroun	167	E. Blakesley
135	D. Stuart	168	T. Van Tassel
136	N.M. Childs	169	Horace Alvord
137	J. Tobin	170	
138	N. Beecher	171	
139	J. Hoyt	172	
140	F. Hogan	173	A. Higgins
141		174	Pat Hennesy
142	H.W. Perkins	175	
143	E. Dunn	176	D. Alvord
144	J. Stewart	177	A. Pearl
145	J. Lowne	178	A.B. Congdon
146	J.W. Tracy	179	P.D. Lynch
147		180	Pat Dee
148		181	W.R.N.
149	Sharp & Adkins	182	Peter Jaquin
150	Geo. Kuntz	183	E. Smith
151		184	H. McCurn
152	O. McDonald	185	C. Dexter
153		186	A.S. Crane
154	J. Hodgson	187	
155	S.H. Tracy	188	
156	A. Leynes	189	Spafford
157		190	
158		191	
159		192	Peter Colwell
160	<u>J. Sterens</u>	<u>193</u>	<u>C.B. Scott</u>
<u>161-2-3</u>	.	<u>194</u>	
<u>164</u>	<u>O. Johnson</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>S.H. Avrill</u>
<u>165</u>	<u>J. Johnson</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>J.M. Kelly</u>
.	.	<u>197</u>	<u>C.B. Williams</u>
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Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
198	J.P. Haskins	230	R. Wellman
199		231	P. Priesnoe
200		232	P. Molony
201	L.H. Clark	233	West
202	Wm. Hall	234	Pat Gafney
203		235	W. Nicholson
204	J.F. Barnes	236	
205	Wm. Barnes	237	
206	Peck	238	
207		239	C. Wood
208		240	V. Newton
209	H. Conklin	241	D.E. Bibbins
210		242	
211	D. Clark	243	
212		244	
213		245	
214		246	
215		247	J. VanValkingburgh
216	Pat Marton	248	Thomas
217		249	Jos. Hoyt
218	J. Gordon	250	C.E. Wheeler
219		251	D. Luther
220		252	C. Luther
221	Wm. Clark	253	C.N. Wescott
222	C. Holcomb	254	C.N. Wescott
223	P. Martin	255	
224		256	
225		257	Rufus Stanton
226	P. Hinnacy	258	Jno. Shannon
227		259	Thos. O'Keeffe
228		260	D. Deroy
229		261	J. Mc Mahon

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Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
262		294	P. Geer
263		295	Michl Ryan
264	J.B. Franklin	296	J. Whalen
265		297	Thos. Redhead
266	J.R. Hickox	298	Danl Wheeler
267	Edward Chapman	299	Jno. <u>Machin</u>
<u>268</u>	.	<u>300</u>	<u>Michl Meal</u>
<u>269</u>	<u>Moses Varraline</u>	<u>301</u>	
<u>270</u>	<u>Thos. Carahar</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>Danl Brown</u>
<u>271</u>	.	<u>303</u>	
<u>272</u>	<u>F. Curtis</u>	<u>304</u>	
<u>273</u>	.	<u>305</u>	
<u>274</u>	<u>? A. Porter</u>	<u>306</u>	<u>Michael</u>
<u>275</u>	<u>J.F. Porter</u>	<u>307</u>	
<u>276</u>	<u>Mrs. Porter</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>Abr. Davis</u>
<u>277</u>	<u>J. Bierdslee</u>	<u>309</u>	
<u>278</u>	<u>P. Malloy</u>	<u>310</u>	
<u>279</u>	<u>R. Farrel</u>	<u>311</u>	
<u>280</u>	<u>T. Wheeler</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>Jas. Bradshaw</u>
<u>281</u>	<u>W.W. Newell</u>	<u>313</u>	<u>Danl Gilgher</u>
<u>282</u>	<u>Swaney</u>	<u>314</u>	<u>Henry Ciliff</u>
<u>283</u>	<u>J.H. Swaney</u>	<u>315</u>	
<u>284</u>	.	<u>316</u>	<u>Jno. Patterson</u>
<u>285</u>	.	<u>317</u>	<u>Jno. Patterson</u>
<u>286</u>	.	<u>318</u>	<u>H.W.H. Watkins</u>
<u>287</u>	.	<u>319</u>	<u>M. Atkins</u>
<u>288</u>	.	<u>320</u>	
<u>289</u>	<u>B. Burton</u>	<u>321</u>	
<u>290</u>	<u>Mrs. F.P. Williams</u>	<u>322</u>	
<u>291</u>	<u>Jas. Johonnott</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>D.A.Pratt & D. Hall</u>
<u>292</u>	.	<u>324</u>	<u>Henry Frouse</u>
<u>293</u>	.	<u>325</u>	
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326		358	Jac Kiben
327		359	
328	Peter Siple	360	Geo. Zimmerman
329		361	
330	Jacob	362	
331	Z. Pangburn	363	
332		364	
333		365	
334	P. Mackey	366	
335		367	
336	Thos. Saxton	368	Thos. Dempsey
337		369	
338		370	
339	Saml Proctor	371	
340	Martin Dunn	372	
341	Jhon Thurber	373	
342		374	
343		375	
344		376	
345		377	F. Morrel
346	Jas. Uriel	378	Danl Codler
347	Michl Kahn	379	
348	Thos. Ryan	380	William
349	Abr. Fitch	381	
350	J. Stacey	382	
351	J. Murphy	383	Nich Grumback
352		384	
353		385	
354	L. Zemore	386	Phil Dick
355	Michl Gregg	387	Daniel G
356		388	
357	F. Foot	389	Thos. Fowler

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Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
390	Jno. Burr	422	
391	Henry Lax	423	
392	Isaac C	424	E. Sands
393		425	J. Mahin
394	Henry Thomas	426	J. Mager
395		427	W. Dallman
396		428	
397		429	J. Mead
398		430	
399		431	
400		432	
401		433	M. Ryan
402		434	W. Carroll
403	A.D. Rector	435	
404		436	J. Fitzgerald
405	W.G. Gilbert	437	P. Gibbons
406		438	W. Duff
407	S.R. Mathews	439	B.F. Green
408	L.P. Hempsted	440	C. Sullivan
409		441	
410		442	A. Freeman
411		443	E. Ryan
412	J. Nim	444	J. Ryan
413	H. Dunham	445	F. Barker
414	J.H. Lloyd	446	P.S. Avery
415	J. Grants	447	A.W. Freeman
416	W. Scalin	448	S. Burritt
417	G. Shand	449	P. Cooney
418		450	P. Cooney Jr.
419	A.O. Sanger	451	
420	L. Eaton	452	
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Plot No.	NAME	Plot No.	NAME
454	P. Chapman	489	E. Clark
455	W. Mc Cann	490	A. Eaton
456	H.H. Giue	491	
457	Kinney	492	D. Blain
458	J. Trehoe	493	Power
459		494	C.S. Giles
460	E. Forestal	495	J. Buckley
461		496	
462	Batcheldor	497	
463		498	J. <u>Woock</u>
464	<u>S. Loomis</u>	499	<u>D. Patterson</u>
465	<u>E. Rhyne</u>	500	<u>T. Doyle</u>
466	<u>S. Hungerford</u>	501	
467	<u>S.F. Sawyer</u>	502	<u>J. Myres</u>
468	<u>E. Haskell</u>	503	<u>W. Butler</u>
469	<u>Wm. O'Harra</u>	504	
470	<u>J.E. Curren</u>	505	<u>G. Clark</u>
471	.	506	<u>A. Crippen</u>
472	<u>W. Popple</u>	507	<u>C.B. Clark</u>
473	<u>D. Lenahin</u>	508	<u>M.H. Jacobs</u>
474	.	509	<u>R. Eaton</u>
475	<u>J. Mackey</u>	510	<u>O. Lynch</u>
476	<u>E. Carroll</u>	511	
477	<u>C.S. Nutting</u>	512	
478	.	513	<u>E. Bailey</u>
479	<u>W. Manning Jr.</u>	514	<u>E. Clark</u>
480	<u>J. Eastwood</u>	515	<u>A. Clark</u>
481-2-3	.	516	<u>G. Mason</u>
484	<u>D. Roack</u>	517	<u>J. Spencer</u>
485	<u>R. Holmes</u>	518	<u>M. Spencer</u>
486	<u>A.T. Sporing</u>	519	<u>T. Eaton</u>
487	<u>I. Hair</u>	520	<u>F. Turoe</u>
488	<u>R. Patterson</u>	.	
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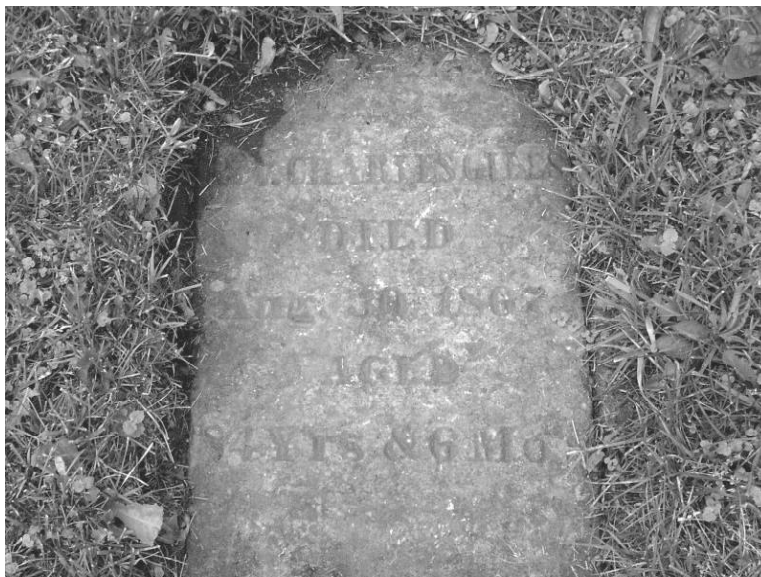
Chapter VII

As They Rest Today.

History of First Ward Cemetery.



The oldest Stone in the First Ward Cemetery. Mrs. Gamble, Dec. 17th, 1798.



The Rev. Charles Giles, Aug. 30th, 1867.

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The view towards 2nd. North St. and LeMoyne Ave., June 2005.



A color view of the cemetery as it is today.

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The view towards Grant Blvd. (old 3rd. North St.).



This is the area where the Brackett Family plot was located.

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