

unsightly artificial mounds will be prevented; and the expense of frequently renewing and repairing embankments will be avoided. The foundation wall should be in depth, not less than three feet, nor should the side walls in any part be of less thickness than two feet. The roof should always be of granite or hammer-dressed blue stone—each side to be in one stone,—let three inches into the cornice and coping, with saddle-back coping on the ridge. The interior of the tombs should be fitted up with shelves, constructed so as to admit of each coffin being tightly and permanently sealed at the time of interment with tablets of stone or marble ready prepared with the inscription desired. Thus furnished, no unpleasant effluvia will be perceived, nor will any re-interment of the remains be necessary, as in other cases, after the coffins shall have decayed.

#### VAULTS.

Vaults under ground should be built of stone walls at least 18 inches thick, and on the inside, with hard bricks four inches thick, leaving a space of two inches between the stone wall and brick-work to prevent dampness; or of brick-work of two thicknesses, having a twelve inch wall on the outside and an eight inch wall on the inside, leaving a two inch interval,—these walls to be well tied together. All arches should be of stone or hard brick, twelve inches thick, carefully cemented over and then covered with asphaltum, to render them water-tight, and all laid in the best cement. The importance of special attention on the part of lot owners to the particulars contained in the preceding suggestions has been strongly impressed on the Trustees. In our former places of interment, as well as in the cemeteries of other cities, may be seen, both in failure and success, how essential it is that durable material should be used, that the right mode of construction should be adopted, and that the execution of the work should be thorough and complete.

#### VARIETY IN MONUMENTS.

As the permanency of monuments and their enclosures is, and will be, essential to the proper appearance of the grounds, so are symmetry and variety of form necessary to the production of a permanently pleasing effect. Nothing can lead more directly to render these grounds tame and uninteresting than the frequent recurrence of the same, or similar, forms in monuments and tomb-fronts. To prevent this result slight alterations in particular features have been made in other cemeteries, but still, only resulting in monotony and not in pleasing variety. The mistakes which have been made in other places the Trustees hope to avoid in this new cemetery.